



Two Tournament Champions, two third place and two still to be decided. A great District Tournament for the boys from Council Rock North and when the numbers were all added up, North managed a second place overall in team points. With all of the distractions this year with weather and other issues, it is to the boy's credit that they have been able to stay focused and it appears that they are peaking just at the right time.

One little hitch, due to the PIAA rule that a competitor can only wrestle five matches in one day, two North competitors will wrestle Monday at 6pm at Hatboro-Horsham. One for third or fourth and the other for fifth or sixth. That can only add to North's totals.

Freshman **Johnny Dutrow** (112) is one of the North wrestlers that will wrestle Monday night for third or fourth place where he will have a second shot at Central Bucks South's junior Mike Mathis the number one seed. **Johnny** lost to Mathis 5-3 in his second round bout after beating Ty Gardner from Norristown 6-5 in the prelims. In the consolations **Johnny** seemed to gain momentum with each bout, out scoring Pottstown's Zane Bechtel 15-3 and Truman's Steve Evens 10-0 to move to the consolation finals for that second shot at Mike Mathis. Win or lose Johnny will have earned a ticket to next week's Regional Tournament.

Last week, in the section finals, **Shane Longstreth** lost to Upper Moreland's Jake Ellis 4-3. This week **Shane** turned the tables. **Shane** came out of the preliminary round with a tech fall over Penridge's Andrew Haughey. He followed that with a 7-2 decision over Matt Gusick from Upper Dublin. In the quarter finals **Shane** came up against Bubba McGinley, the number one seed from Central Bucks West. This one was one of the best matches of the entire tournament between two great nineteen pounders. They traded shots ending up tied in regulation. This wasn't to be Shane's day as McGinley took the bout in sudden victory by a score of 4-2. In the consolation Shane took on Colby Lederer from

Neshaminy beating him 5-0. That setup the return bout, from last week, with Ellis. This time it was **Shane** turn outscoring Ellis 6-5 in overtime to take third place honors and move on to that next big step toward Hershey.

North's junior 125 pounder, **Adam Slezak**, had a great tournament going four and one for the day. **Adam's** only loss came in the quarter finals against Scott Wolfinger from Quakertown. Other than that he had four convincing wins starting with a 7-5 decision over Pennridge's Josh Konz. He followed up by beating Nick DiMuzio from Upper Dublin 5-2 before the loss to Wolfinger dropped him to the consolations. There he moved to the consolation finals with a 6-3 win over North Penn's Tyler Romano. **Adam** took the third place honors over Upper Perk's Dan Rodenberger by a score of 7-5 to capture a berth in next week's Regional Tournament.

The District didn't turn out the way senior **Allan Slezak** would have liked. **Allan** dropped his preliminary 130 pound bout with CBW's Steve Ferrara by a narrow 8-7 score. In his opening bout in the consolations he won a 3-2 squeaker over Nick Lippincott from Bensalem. Next up was the Golden Hawk's Connor Moore. Connor has proven to be Allan's nemesis this year. Sometimes you just run up against a guy you can't beat. Conflicting style or what ever, you just can't get it done. Well that was the case here in the consolation semi finals. Moore took that one ending **Allan's** hopes of moving on. Quiet and unassuming **Allan** just did what he had to do to help with North's success this year and that same outlook will take him far in the days to come.

Anthony Dutrow (140) opened with a 3:21 pin of CBS's Rick Seybolt only to drop his next one to Norristown's Brett Harner. A pin over Souderton's Chris Force and a 17-0 tech fall against Kevin O'Connor from Neshaminy in the consolations saw **Anthony** lose to Pennridge's Rich Jasinski by a narrow 4-3 decision in the consi semi finals. That loss setup up a rematch with Seybolt this Monday night at Hatboro Horsham for fifth or sixth place. **Anthony** has to win that one to move on to Regions next week. If he wrestles the way we know he can, we'll be seeing him next Friday at the Rock.

Senior **James Hollawell** made it to Districts by virtue of his third place finish at Sections last week at Abington. In his 145 pound opener, **James** took on Brian Ego from Upper Dublin winning that one by a score of 5-3. In his next, he came up against the 145 pound number one seed from 'Q'town. He lost that one and dropped to the consolations only to be outscored by Pat Carr from Methacton thus ending his day and his hopes of moving on. **James** has been an intricate part of this year's squad recording a 19-14 record over the course of the season. His work ethic and dedication were recognized by his team mates who selected him as one of this year's team captains. That same attitude is sure to serve him well in the future and he will surely succeed at what ever he chooses.

Last weeks 152 pound second place finish at Sections was not good enough for **Greg Lanctot**. This week he wrestled like a man on a mission. First off he had to get that one hundredth win that eluded him last week and than take the 152 pound crown. Well, he accomplished both, but it wasn't easy. He got the one hundredth win in his quarter final's match with a 9-3 win over Norristown's Jesse Prante. Now the hard work started when **Greg** came up against Eric Koch the number one seed from Quakertown. Koch came into the tournament as the returning Regional Champion with a 23-6 record. That didn't deter **Greg** as he decisioned Koch 2-1 in overtime to take a big step toward that second goal. Trouble was, Mark Nicholson, the guy that deprived **Greg** of his goal last week had won his semi final bout and he was there waiting for **Greg** in the finals. This match was a replay of last week only this time **Greg** beat Nicholson by the narrowest of margins with a stalling point making the difference. **Greg** beat the Falcon grappler by a 2-1 score in overtime to take the 152 pound crown and will go into next weeks Regional Tournament as District Champion.

Jamie Callender came out of the gate smoking as usual. With his 32-1 seasonal record he was seeded number one in the 189 pound weight class. **Jamie** tacked on three more wins to increase that record to 35-1 by days end and took home the 189 pound District Championship. If you're wondering, that one loss came at the Beast of the East back in December and was a 5-2 loss to Mike Evans of Blair Academy. One more step next week and **Jamie** will duplicate last year when he advanced to States as Regional Champion. At States **Jamie** wrestled

his way to the Finals with impressive wins over some of Pennsylvania's best 189 pounders. Unfortunately he lost in the Finals and had to settle for the runner-up spot. Runner-up at States is pretty darned good but wouldn't be good enough this time. **Jamie** has his sights set on the big prize and if he keeps wrestling like he has all year everyone can see a State Championship in his future.

North's sophomore heavy weight, **Jayfie Kaschak**, made it to Districts from his fourth place finish in last week's Sections. Being a bit undersize for the 285 pound weight class, **Jayfie** had a hard way to go with the 285 pounders that showed up at Districts. That never seems to curb **Jayfie's** enthusiasm. He just goes out on the mat and does his best. Out weighed by forty to sixty pounds Jayfie lost both of his opening bouts and was eliminated. We'll see him again next year for sure and it's guaranteed that same enthusiasm will still be there.

Let's all pray that Mother Nature is good to us and we can get in the next two weekends of wrestling without any interruptions. This coming Friday and Saturday the Regional Tournament will be held at Council Rock North. Friday at 5:00pm and Saturday at 9:30. But first, if you can, get on over to Hatboro Horsham High School Monday night at 6:00pm and cheer on the Dutrow brothers in their bid for Regional spots.