

Norton junior 125 pound wrestler Troy Bainter shutout No.2 state ranked Andrew Peterson, Oakley, 9-0 for a major decision to win the regional championship on Saturday evening in Norton.

— Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

Sixth straight regional championship

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wrestled No.2 state ranked and No.2 seed Andrew Peterson, Oakley. Troy did not allow Peterson a point as he led 4-0 after one period, 7-0 after two periods and finished with a 9-0 major decision.

Juenemann won third with a 4-2 overtime decision over No.4 seed Seth Miller, Goodland.

Troy is now 32-5 for the season. Peterson is 32-7 and Juenemann is 25-7.

•130 - Billy Broeckelman was seeded No.2 and had no problem pinning Jeff House, Goodland, in :34 and Ethan LaBarge, Ellis, in :27. In the championship semi-finals, he won an 8-3 decision over No.6 state ranked and No.3 seed Donovan Schamberger, Hoxie. In the championship match, he met a familiar rival, No.1 state ranked and defending state champion Colt Rogers, Smith Center.

It was another knock down, drag out match in which Rogers held a slight edge throughout. Broeckelman trailed 5-2 after one period and 6-5 after two. Broeckelman tied the score at 6-all with 1:48 left in the match but Rogers finally prevailed 11-7.

Schamberger placed third with a fall over No.4 seed Nolan Peters, Oberlin, in 1:36.

Broeckelman is now 20-6 for the season. Rogers is 36-0, Schamberger is 31-9 and Peters is 17-8.

•135 - Brett Terrell pinned Chris Bustillos, Goodland, in 3:44, then was pinned in 5:08 by No.5 seed Steven Yergey, Hoxie. In the consolation bracket, Terrell won a 12-2 major decision over Cade Noble, Atwood, then won an 8-2 decision over Harrison Gilliland, Plainville. Next, he wrestled No.3 seed and No.3 state ranked Terrence Lamb, St. Francis, for the right to go to the state tournament and was decided 8-1. Lamb went on to win a 12-0 major decision over Mat Schneider, Phillipsburg.

No.1 seed Jace Campbell, Oakley, who was second in the state last year at 125, won the championship by shutting out No.2 seed and No.2 state ranked Kale Newell, Smith Center, 5-0.

Terrell ended his season with a 17-11 record. Campbell is now 19-1, Newell is 29-6 and Lamb is 28-7.

•140 - Connor Pfannenstiel was seeded No.5. He pinned Clayton Beckman, Hill City, in 1:49, then won a 6-1 decision over No.4 seed and No.4 state ranked Nathan Deeds, Goodland. Next, he wrestled No.1 seed and No.1 state ranked Danny Floyd, Osborne, who was 135 pound state champion last year with a 37-0 record. Floyd had pinned his previous two opponents. Pfannenstiel wrestled well against him before losing an 8-3 decision to drop into the consolation bracket.

Pfannenstiel won a 6-2 decision over Shawn Stansbury, Smith Center, to reach the consolation championship where he faced Deeds, whom he had decided earlier. Deeds put up more of a fight this time and the match went into overtime where Deeds prevailed 8-6.

Floyd won the championship by pinning No.3 seed Dyllan Nuzum, Beloit, in 5:10.

Pfannenstiel is now 28-14 for the season. Floyd extended his record to a perfect 32-0, Nuzum is 28-8 and Deeds is 26-5.

•145 - Kaenon Keiswetter was seeded No.3. He pinned Kayler Rietcheck, Goodland, in 1:27, then pinned Kyler Atwood, Smith Center, in :55. Next he won a 15-4 major decision over No.2 seed and No.4 state ranked Kevin Wolters, Atwood, who placed fifth in the state last year at 140. Kaenon injury defaulted the championship match to No.1 seed and No.2 state ranked

Trevor Oliver, Osborne, who was third in the state last year at 140.

Wolters placed third with a 3-0 decision over No.4 seed and No.3 state ranked Eric Albers, Oakley.

Kaenon is now 32-6 for the season. Oliver is 28-1 with his one loss to Kaenon. Wolters is now 33-4.

•152 - Landon Keiswetter was seeded No.3. He pinned Alex Henry, Stockton, in 1:57, decided Jason Knoll, Osborne, 7-1 and decided No.2 seed and No.2 state ranked Lorenzo Delgado, Goodland, 4-1 to reach the championship match versus No.4 seed Thomas Rachow, Phillipsburg. Landon led 2-0 after one period of his title match with Rachow but Rachow injury defaulted in the second period.

No.5 seed and No.6 state ranked, Dylan Bainter, Hoxie, placed third with a 6-1 decision over No.1 seed Zach Eaton, Smith Center.

Landon is now 33-6 for the season. Rachow is 28-9, Bainter is 29-14 and Eaton is 11-6.

•160 - Spencer Shirk was seeded No.1. He pinned P.J. Carter, Hoxie, in 1:48, pinned Nathan Hanna, Hill City, in 2:36 and won an 11-2 major decision over No.4 seed Daniel Jordan, Oberlin, to reach the championship match versus No.3 seed and No.4 state ranked Dillon Kinderknecht, Ellis. Spencer led 4-0 after one period and 6-0 after two periods to post a 6-0 shutout decision over Kinderknecht.

Jordan placed third with a 12-8 overtime decision over No.5 seed Brandon Morgan, Phillipsburg, whom he decided in the second round.

Shirk is now 30-2 for the season. Kinderknecht is 10-4, Jordan is 26-9 and Morgan is 29-10.

•171 - Zane Perez was seeded No.2. He won an 11-3 major decision over Zach Gienger, St. Francis, then pinned Clinton Johnson, Hill City, in 1:12. In the championship semi-finals, he decided No.3 seed and No.4 state ranked Paul Starr, Goodland, 9-3 to reach the championship match versus No.1 seed and No.2 state ranked Matt Atwood, Smith Center, who was fourth in the state last year at the same weight. The first period was scoreless but Atwood got a one-point escape in the second period. Neither wrestler scored in the third period, earning Atwood the championship.

No.4 seed Jake Cole, Phillipsburg, won third with a 4-0 shutout of No.5 seed Cody Stewart, Oakley.

Perez is now 29-4 for the season. Atwood is 34-3, Cole is 29-12 and Stewart is 24-15.

•189 - Kaid McKenna was seeded No.3. He pinned Nick Shepard, Hill City, in :50, then shutout Riley Oharah, Goodland, 4-0. In the championship semi-finals, he won a 9-2 decision over No.2 seed and No.5 state ranked Zach Jacobs, Phillipsburg. In the championship match, Kaid wrestled No.1 seed and No.2 state ranked Preston Werth, TMP. It was a hard-fought match in which Kaid trailed 2-0 after one period but tied the score at 4-all in the second period. The regulation time expired with the score tied 7-all. Kaid got a takedown in overtime to win 9-7!

No.5 seed Lance Finley, Atwood, placed third by pinning No.4 seed Adam Guthmiller, St. Francis, in 4:30.

McKenna is now 33-7 for the season. Werth is 27-4, Finley is 23-7 and Guthmiller is 25-4.

•215 - Tyler Cook was seeded No.7. He won a 9-4 decision over Jacob Larue, Oberlin, but was pinned in the next round by No.2 seed Danny Baker, Hoxie, in 5:56. In the consolation bracket, Cook won a 13-0 major decision over Jacob Begler, Ellis, then pinned No.6 seed Tyler Fisher, Goodland, in :45. Next, he decided No.5

seed Nick Beard, Phillipsburg, 5-2 to reach the consolation championship match. He wrestled No.3 seed Jacob English, Beloit, and lost a hard-fought 4-3 overtime decision to English.

No.1 seed and No.1 state ranked Ethan Jirak, Oakley, won the championship by pinning Baker in 3:23.

Cook is now 24-16 for the season. Jirak is a perfect 35-0. He placed fifth in the state last year at 189. Baker is 25-1 and English is 23-15.

•285 - Norton was open. No.1 seeded and No.1 state ranked Jered Rice, who is the defending state champion, battled No.2 seed and No.4 state ranked Dillon Salmans, Hoxie, for the championship. It was an exciting match that went into overtime before Salmans won a 3-2 decision.

No.3 seeded and No.3 state ranked Jay Cotter, Goodland, placed third by pinning No.4 seed Jesse Barnes, TMP, in 2:43.

It was the first loss for Rice who is now 32-1. Salmans is 34-2, Cotter is 24-5 and Barnes is 24-6.

State Tournament

The Class 3-2-1A State Wrestling Tournament will be held Friday and Saturday in Gross Memorial Coliseum at Fort Hays State University, Hays.

The first round will begin at 10 a.m. on Friday and will be followed by the second round championship quarter-finals at 1:30 p.m.

The second session will begin at 3:30 p.m. with the first round consolation on four mats and will be followed by the championship semi-finals on two mats.

The championship semi-finals will start immediately following the conclusion of the first round consolation but not earlier than 4:30 p.m.

The third session will be held Saturday, beginning at 9 a.m. with the consolation cross bracketing. Consolation quarter-finals will begin at 10:45 a.m., followed by consolation semi-finals at 12:15 p.m. Fifth place matches will be wrestled on four mats at 1:45 p.m. and will be followed by the consolation finals on two mats at 2:30 p.m.

The championship session will begin 40 minutes after the consolation finals with the Parade of Champions, followed by the championship finals, which will be wrestled on one mat.

An all day admission ticket for Friday or Saturday will cost \$10 for adults and \$6 for students kindergarten through 12th grade. Evening session only tickets on Friday or Saturday will cost \$6 for adults and \$5 for students.

First round opponents

103 - Norton freshman John Risewick, 26-10 vs. Fredonia sophomore Dakota Shay, 24-11.

125 - Norton junior Troy Bainter, 32-5 vs. Eureka senior Brandon Ray, 20-6.

130 - Norton junior Billy Broeckelman, 20-6 vs. St. Mary's sophomore Mason Hurla, 31-13.

140 - Norton senior Connor Pfannenstiel, 28-14 vs. Central Burden sophomore Tyler McMichael, 30-0.

145 - Norton senior Kaenon Keiswetter, 32-6 vs. Onaga junior Cody Schwant, 34-8.

152 - Norton junior Landon Keiswetter, 33-6 vs. Chase County senior Brandon Line, 20-13.

160 - Norton junior Spencer Shirk, 30-2, vs. Jayhawk Linn senior Quincy Hodges, 12-8.

171 - Norton senior Zane Perez, 29-4 vs. Holcomb sophomore Dylan Hawkins, 18-9.

189 - Norton junior Kaid McKenna, 33-7 vs. Little River senior Gavin Miller, 27-12.

215 - Norton senior Tyler Cook, 24-16 vs. Marysville junior Josh Martinez, 24-9.

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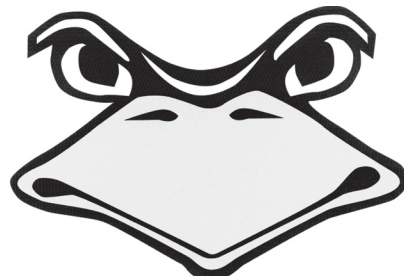
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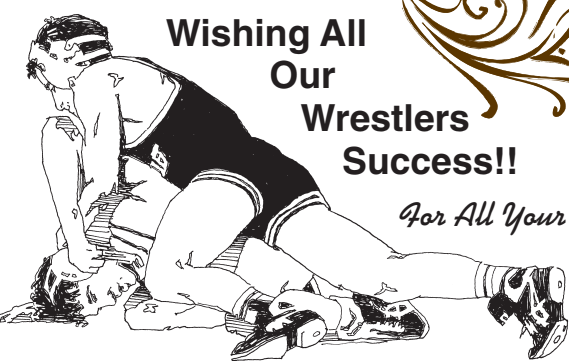
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