

Cowboys qualify three for state tournament

The Class 3-2-1A wrestling regionals at Norton were not kind to the Cowboys who did not have any of their 13 wrestlers make it to the championship round, but did have three qualify for the state tournament.

Cowboys Seth Miller finished fourth at 125, Nathan Deeds at 140 pounds and Jay Cotter as 285 pounds finished third to qualify for the state tournament.

Coach Joe Sramek had said the top five teams in Class 3-2-1A were in the Norton regional and it would be interesting to see who could come out on top.

Norton won the regional tournament and qualified 10 for the state tournament. Phillipsburg finished second and qualified six for state. Goodland finished eighth out of the 21 teams competing.

Beginning with the consolation rounds on Saturday the Cowboys had seven wrestlers who could place third or fourth and qualify for the state tournament. Four of the wrestlers had lost in the quarter or semi finals to fall into the consolation bracket semi finals.

Austin Avelar won his first two matches at 112 pounds, but lost in the quarterfinals to Dylan Schumacher of Hays TMP on an 8-0 decision. Avelar wrestled in the consolation semi finals on Saturday losing a 10-4 decision to Dustin Vap of Rawlins County.

Corey Davis at 119 pounds lost to Kade Brown of Oberlin by a fall (3:17). Davis lost Grant Holub of Hays TMP on a 32 second pin in the first period in the consolation bracket.

Miller finished fourth at 125 pounds. Miller won his first round over Chris Heim of Hoxie in a quick first round pin of 18 seconds. In the quarterfinals Miller lost a 4-2 decision to Brent Juenemann of Oberlin. Miller won a 10-4 decision over Christ Scrivner of Republic County to advance in the consolation bracket. Miller won a major decision 19-6 over Davin Simon of Rawlins County to advance to the consolation semi finals where Miller won a 1-0 decision over Garrett Kuhlmann of Smith Center. Miller finished fourth losing an overtime 4-2 decision in a rematch with Juenemann of Oberlin.

Jeff House at 130 pounds lost his first round to Billy Brockleman of Norton on a 34 second pin in the first period. House lost a 6-2 decision to Levi Hefner of Oakley in the consolation bracket on Saturday.

Chris Bustillos at 135 pounds lost his first round match to Brett Terrell of Norton on a fall (3:44) In the consolation bracket Bustillos won his match over Cole Meier of Beloit with a fall (2:45). Bustillos lost a 3-0 decision to Austin Lopez of Ellis on Saturday.

Deeds finished third at 140 pounds. Deeds won his first round match over Coulter Boys of Oakley with a fall (1:51). Deeds lost in the quarterfinals to Connor Pfannenstiel of Norton on a 6-1 decision. Deeds won by fall (1:46) over Britton Sealock of Hoxie to advance in the

consolation bracket on Saturday. Deeds advanced to the consolation semi finals with a major 10-1 decision over Trenton Colburn of Republic County. In the semi finals Deeds won a 7-2 decision over Weston Coomes of Phillipsburg. Deeds finished third by winning an overtime decision 8-6 in a rematch with Phannenstiel of Norton.

Kayler Rietcheck at 145 pounds lost his first round match to Kaenon Keiswetter of Norton on a fall (1:27). Rietcheck won his first consolation match over Ray Zodrow of Oberlin on a 5-3 decision. Rietcheck lost a 4-2 decision to Sheldyne Brown from Phillipsburg on Saturday.

Lorenzo Delgado at 152 pounds won his first round match over Tyler Kasl of Republic County on a 15 second pin. Delgado won his quarterfinal match over Nike Cox of Oakley on a technical fall (4:06). Delgado lost the semi-final match to Landon Keiswetter of Norton on a 4-1 decision. Delgado lost a 4-1 decision to Dylan Bainter of Hoxie in the consolation semi finals on Saturday. Bainter finished third.

Laine Herl at 160 pounds lost his first round match to Dillon Kinderknecht of Ellis on a 4-2 decision. Herl won his first consolation match on an 8-2 decision over Conner Winters of Stockton. Herl lost a 5-4 decision to Brandon Morgan of Phillipsburg on Saturday.

Paul Starr at 171 pounds won his first match over JeVonte Dyke of Republic County on a fall (3:20). Starr won his quarterfinal mach over Brandon Salmans of Hoxie on a 9-2 decision. Starr lost in the semi finals to Zane Perez of Norton on a 9-3 decision. Starr lost a 9-3 decision to Cody Stewart of Oakley in the consolation semi finals on Saturday.

Riley Oharah at 189 pounds won his first round match over Brock Baxter of Smith Center on an 8-2 decision. Oharah was injured in the quarterfinal round during his match with Kaid McKenna of Norton and lost a 4-0 decision. Ohara lost by forfeit to Mark Cordel of Beloit in the consolation bracket on Saturday.

Tyler Fisher at 215 pounds won his first round match over Kelly Wiig of Smith Center on a 10-3 decision. Fisher lost his quarterfinal match to Jacob English of Beloit on a 13-3 decision. Fisher won by fall (1:59) over Tyler Martin of Rawlins County to advance in the consolation bracket on Saturday. Fisher lost by a 45 second fall in the first period to Tyler Cook of Norton.

Cotter finished third at 285 pounds. Cotter won his quarterfinal match over Jacob Barrett of Beloit on a 32 second fall in the first period. Cotter lost his semi final match to Dillon Salmans of Hoxie on a 3-1 decision. Cotter won his consolation semi final match with a 17 second pin in the first period over Bradey Chard of Plainville. Cotter finished third winning by a fall (2:43) over Jesse Barnes of Hays TMP.

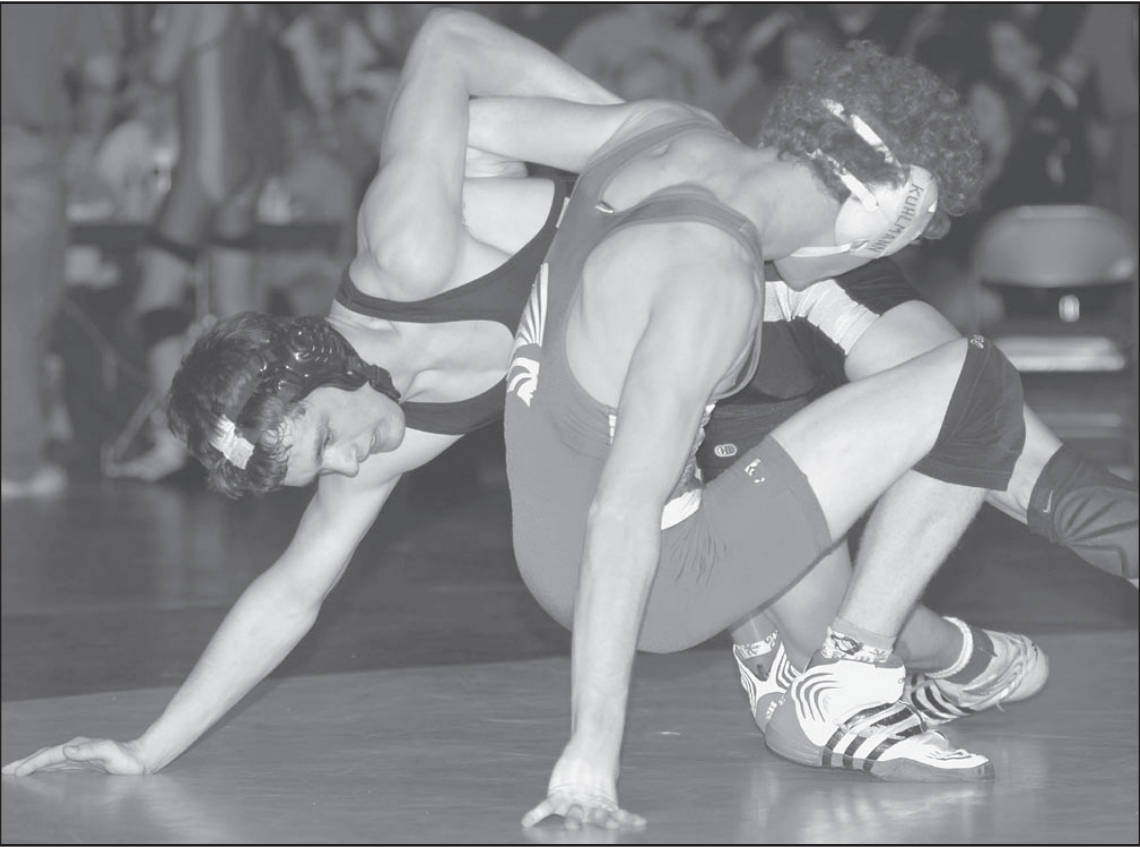


Cowboy Jay Cotter went for a take down against Jesse Barnes of Hays TMP in the 285 pound third place match on Saturday. Cotter qualified for the state tournament finishing third by pinning Barnes in 2:43.



Cowboy Nathan Deeds won by pin in 1:46 over Britton Sealock of Hoxie to advance in the consolation bracket at Norton on Saturday. Deeds finished third by winning in overtime over Connor Pfannenstiel of Norton, 8-6.

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Cowboy Seth Miller tried for a takedown against Garrett Kuhlmann of Smith Center during the consolation semi final match on Saturday. Miller won a 1-0 decision over Kuhlmann and finished fourth to qualify for the Class 3-2-1A state tournament in Hays this week.

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7 p.m.-Adult Co-Ed Volleyball
- Thursday-Black Day
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1 p.m.-8th Basketball League Tournament at Quinter
7th Basketball League Tournament at Oakley
5:30 p.m.-Goodland Wrestling Club Practice
6 p.m.-Boys Youth Basketball
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- Monday-Black Day
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- Tuesday-Gold Day
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