



WEEKLY REVIEW

Post Kids' 07 Nationals, special edition

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KIDS' 07 NATIONALS



Green Bay, Wisconsin was the destination for the season culmination for the Kids' Freestyle and Greco-Roman Wrestling Championships for all of USA Wrestling. We were there, and in "EFFECT" as we brought about 5, 4 of such placing, mostly HIGH, and all reaching the coveted ALL AMERICAN STATUS NOW, CONGRATS GUYS!



Competitors, adversaries then, peers, aff, coaches, parents and other athletes alike, all were routing for each other. It was a totally different atmosphere on this kind of tournament, especially for this beautiful location.



Competition was strong, sporadic actually, because weights were blocked, which again, gave into the mood, as people scrambled for extra matches all day long. It gave the tournament a much more "user friendly" flare, and excitement, indeed.

We had only a little bit of dead time before the matches, but it too helped, as we finished off some much needed review and warm up clinics, us others enjoying the scenery.

A PROGRAM MOURNING



I don't know where to start, or what to say. I am so confused and upset, that all I have is questions and no answers hearing this past week that we have lost one of our brothers – Kevin Feritch.

Kevin was not only helping to run the Haslett HS Wrestling program, but volunteered out there for years in many different capacities, like with the freestyle, travel teams like seen above when we took one of my MYWA National Teams to Pennsylvania, and much, much more.

Kevin was actually one of our Adult Extension members too, and someone I considered a friend, even though we were adversaries on the mat originally, still didn't matter, he was a good man, and never forgotten.

Do I know really what happened to him, to Kevin? No, and I am not a doctor, or family member that feels prudent to comment, beyond I heard he had "a heart attack" and was found by a family member later in his home. He was so young, still so vibrant, that this is hard to believe, but I know I choose to always remember him in this same "youthful" way no matter what.

Our condolences go out to Kevin's family during this most devastating time, as his presence will be definitely felt missed on so many different levels. I refuse to even erase his email from your buddy list, and choose to continue to send these weekly blogs still to him in the hopes that he would want it that way.

We will not get over your loss – brother.



Your Adult Ext. Wrestling brothers

GENERAL NEWS



THANK THE LORD, ha, ja ha, finally found our previous photo of Jessica Alba, perfect timing too, on the advent of the summer, water, sand, sun, and fun, you bet!



HAVE YOU SEEN THIS POOCHY? Do you KNOW him? He is our new program mascot for Camp Tisdale, as the newest addition to the immediately family as my sister's newest addition! His name – Fela II, and he is a Boxer pup, very cute, and ready to fight, although no grappling for him.



Well over due, but YES, of course it had to be done as we helped Coach Matt Prinz officially "christen" his site last night for Camp Tisdale at Okemos HS Wrestling working together, in collaboration. This is just one more prime example of our flexibility to come over and help give back to others, like Meridian Township, like our support last year during pre-season with Larry at Haslett Adult Ext., right down the road.



SEASON CALENDAR



WEEKLY TRAINING?

“Come JOIN US up to practice, as even my sister **Nora** showed up last night, brought all the kids, but no, ha, ja, she didn’t show up in this stunning BIKINI, but yes, was still there!

Practice times have not changed, just the focus more so now on strength mgt., fun finally, only light conditioning and technique, but also a regained emphasis on what I title as THROW CAMP, or our true Greco. coming OUT!!

**Tuesday and Thursdays
Okemos HS Wrestling Room
6:30pm arrive, 6:45-8:45pm**



Just ask our staff, like **Tommy Griffith** here in just WHY we do it, and they’ll all tell you their own reasons. But, in general, I would like to think that we have accumulated people from our own area that wish to give back. Which is why you still seem people like Tommy here and his fiancé Tasha a practice each and every week.



Tommy is one of our future coaching prospects, a long time member now of the Adult Wrestling Extension. He makes it a POINT to bring his lady **Tasha** with him every week, another example of “culture”.

SEASON CALENDAR cont



CADET NATIONALS – Fargo

Could be in question at present, complications have arose, but if all could go still to plan, **Raymond Lemon**, one of our 4 Cadet HWT’s, is eligible to leave for 07 Nationals in another 2 weeks.

Again, not sure what will actually happen, but the USA Wrestling’s Cadet 07 Nationals are to be held in Fargo, ND again this year for individuals, and Raymond earned his right to compete in such. To do this, he placed third in our MWF STATE FINALS, and then even 2nd at the Central Regionals held in Columbus, Ohio.



Raymond is still training with us each and every week, but we will see if we are able to find a way to get him to this end of season finale, and great honor if possible still; all is a bit more up in the “air” at present, this week. He is our first ever National Qualifier for the Adult Extension, since officially created. CONGRATS either way Raymond, we are so proud of you.



SEASON CALENDAR



Cultural Exchange - 07

Destination – the Carribean!

Coming up now QUICK, and I can’t WAIT, as we make the final arrangements for our first annual “CULTURAL EXCHANGE” to the CARRIBEAN!!!

Easy for me of course, as I establish this first international cultural exchange around things we already have and or know, like the culture, language, people, and yes, WRESTLERS! I say that because we are going to where my wife stays to also visit our kids’ brother club of the school of Bobbi Salamanca, in Havana City.

Anyone interested on still going on this cultural exchange, don’t be a stranger to let me know, as there is



still a little bit of time to get in on such, as either athlete, translator, coach, trainer, etc. You can email or leave me a message at the following at any time:

Coach Tisdale, **Shane T**
Email: Tisdale@hotmail.com
Cell: (734) 487-1020

Aug 25 – Sep 3, 07, and cost is estimated to go between about \$1,500 – 2,200 depending.



NEEDS LISTING



Soccer ball



Football



Basketball



Scale (& even TAPE measure)



Maybe even a **Frisbee**, a **kickball**, or more, we need them all now for our warm ups, as we start to focus on more fun type conditioning activities, and hence, **SPORTS**. Please contact Shane about such then if you could start to bring something.

And yes, we do need someone to bring in a scale for us, even a tape measure also, so that we can get everyone's measurements as we start the strength mgt. training now please, if you could.

PROJECTS UNDERWAY



Christening future site set

That's right, we may now be ahead of schedule, or right on, but either way Big Corey positioned us right where we wanted to open up our own site, and now get ready for it.

With above in mind, we are now wanting to establish a time in September for all to meet and officially "cut the ribbon" to dedicate Corey's land as our future living quarters and training center for all of our programming for Camp Tisdale.



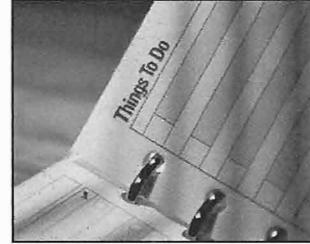
With many planned guest appearances planned, all staff, coaches, board members, and athletes are all encouraged over the next month to please plan ahead for September to meet, do a mini-cook out, and to our official presentation of our new site in Lansing. It is located right near the corner of Logan and Willow.

Planned events for the day in question, is a mini-cook out, guest speakers, pictures and videos, some drinks, and that's it, then cut the ribbon, and make it official. Future of course is all the work, as every weekend there after, we need to be back out there ready to **BUILD** and excavate.



(picture above at our 07 annual Adult Ext. banquet)

TO DO LIST



1. 1099 for all 2006 donors (THANK YOUUUUUU!)
2. Annual reporting
3. Website creation
5. Worlds - 06, China video completion
6. HELP ME!!! Volunteers??

PRACTICE REVIEW 7-10-07/TUE



Last practice was OK, getting use to **NOT** doing everything that we usually have done in the regular season is difficult, especially holding our member athletes to such an increased tempo.

We are still forging on, totally switching gears for a lot more fun and challenge for our summer training, the kids keep flocking in, and we are there.



(Thomas, Raymond, newest recruit Anthony, and Malik seen at Nationals)

Remember our summer focus everyone, as it is **NEW**, and good:

1. FUN
2. Strength Mgt.
3. Throw Camp/technique review
4. Conditioning - only light
5. Small group instruction & individual attention

STAFF OF THE MONTH

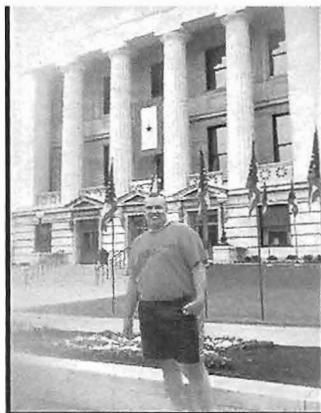


Last month's "Staff of the Month" were seen above for **Carri** and **Kelly**, while this month who stole show show was a TIE, if you can believe, it, and I'll show you why, next.



Moudy Martinez comes in first to save us for our clothing drive for our brother program in the Caribbean, and our 1st annual Cultural Exchange to go down and visit and outfit them.

Moudy not only donated some clothes, but instead enough new singlets to outfit TWO YOUTH TEAMS! NO, I am NOT kidding! He stole the show, and those kids will be IN SHOCK! WAY TO GO MOUD!!!!



Corey Tripp, comes in next, by again making the ULTIMATE donation of the land needed to procure our first site, official pictures seen above. As the candy bar states: "Oh thank heaven", or thank big COREY!

ATHLETE OF THE MONTH



Noooo,YESSSSSSSSSSSS, Ha, ja, JOHN Norton III stole the show this month, hence capturing his first "Athlete of the Month" title" with Camp Tisdale, through our 07 summer training program.

John, or as we call him "Johnny", captured his FIRST National Kids' Championship in Freestyle this past weekend in Green Bay, Wisconsin as part of USA Wrestling's season finale. We were there, saw it, and WOW, he was on FIRE, as usual.



Customarily an award based on many things, between great practice plus competition attendance, attitude, behavior, and sportsmanship, leadership and teamwork, plus then performance and achievement, Johnny stole a few categories here, and went over the top, just keep reading.



First, Johnny again captured his FIRST National title here, but he also has been attending practices with us for Camp Tisdale, attended Isaiah's Camp Lansing, and more, especially training over with CCWC. But, in the finals he also beat for the first time ever is arch nemesis that he had NEVER ousted BEFORE!

Congrats to Johnny and his parents, WOPA!!!!

COACH OF THE MONTH



Rob DOES IT ALL, with no exaggeration, whether for our LCC Wrestling Club, our previous MYWA 06 National Program, Adult Extension, now summer wrestling camp or clinic series/academy, or more like this:



Training



Event hosting—annual banquet



Board representation (2nd left)



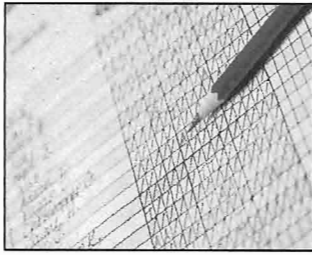
Coaching education/progression



Executive Operations/Planning

Yes, Rob's actual role is to run our entire business, as CEO, including all behind the scenes negotiations & MUCH more.

ATTENDANCE
7-10-07



- 121 Shane Tisdale, Masters
- 125 Dylan Smith, Cadet
- 138 Gabe – EL, Youth
- 143 Beбето Yawah, Junior
- 145 Justin, Assn't Coach, Okemos
- 198 Rob Orr, Masters
- 198 Tommy Griffith, Open
- HWT Raymond Lemon, Cadet
- HWT Corey Tripp, Open



7-3-07

- 90 Malik Houston, Youth
- 90 Dante Lemon, Youth
- 110 Machine/Trae, Youth
- 125 Dylan Smith, Cadet
- 135 Matt Porn, Open
- 138 Gabe – EL, Youth
- 143 Beбето Yawah, Junior
- 145 Ryan VandenAkker
- 198 Rob Orr, Masters
- HWT Isaiah Thomas, Open
- HWT Jacob Tripp, Cadet
- HWT Raymond Lemon, Cadet
- HWT Corey Tripp, Open

MEMBER WELCOMES



DYLAN SMITH – 125 Cadet
Okemos HS Wrestling

Yes, neglected to make an OFFICIAL section for this last month, plus official introduction for our newest recruit, yet legacy, as from our host school w/ **Dylan**. Pictures not on file yet for these:

- 135 Gabe, E. Lansing
- 145 Ryan VandenAkker, Okemos

WISH LIST/PROJECTS
For August 24, 07



Brother club still in need - help?

Yes, we are a first world country, but have all of us ever seen what it is really like to take a cultural exchange to a bottom “3rd world country”? If so, you know what I am getting at in seeing such how still people can be so peaceful, and nice, but GREAT WRESTLERS, ha, ja, ha, like in our brother club in the Carribean, but still be in such need of basics.

I need a few things for such from flags for their country, medals for their upcoming tournament, and luckily, I just bought all the kids shorts already too, WOPA!!

What are the specifics then we need if someone can make a donation, or get me a further monetary donation? Here is is once more, please consider such, please:

1. **60 medals** (x20 Gold, x20 Silver, and x20 more for Bronze, or appear such) Without donation, estimated cost is about \$1.25/piece.
2. **25 country patches** for the club (if not donated, estimated price is to be about \$4 a patch with shipping)



3. **6 rubber bands** to resistance train (estimated price I have no idea! Ha)



KUDOS & THANK YOU's
Camp Tisdale



Michael Rocha Sr. AGAIN ensured that the kids were taking care of, plus Raymond and I for staff at this year's Kids' 07 Nationals in Green Bay; without his help though, we would have maybe not been able to go, or to many other events this year. THANK YOU MICHAEL!!!

IN THE SPOTLIGHT:



FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP?

Director of the Michigan Wrestling Camps' Series - **Steve "the Headlock Fraser"**, has been contacted via **Jeff Schering**. And, if all could happen, Jeff, also a member of our Guarantor Board, and hometown here too, originally FROM Lansing, is advocating a new camp scholarship for us in 08! Stay tuned, but thanks to Jeff and Coach Fraser either way, because the camp series was great!

COACH'S CORNER



Rightfully SITUATED finally in the corner now THIS MONTH, ha, ha, here I am ascertaining the current position of coach, whereas the future is for someone else; along the way, I just want to thank all our other assistant coaches and volunteers like **Matt Porn**, **Rob Orr**, **Big Corey**, **Ramon**, myself, and many more, thanks & great work everyone!!!! Editors????