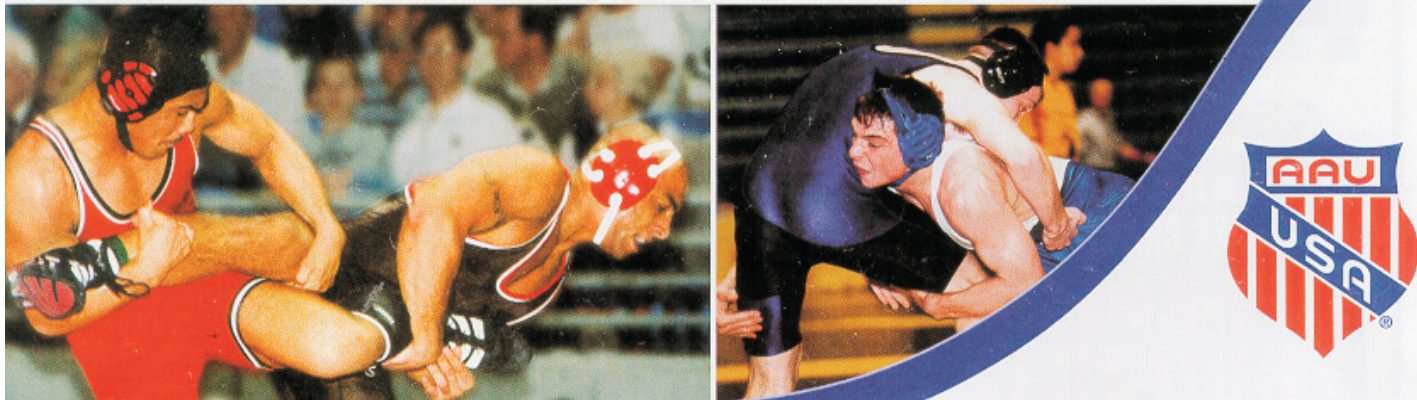


# Amateur Athletic Union **2003 SCHEDULE**



### ELEMENTARY NATIONALS

April 4-5 • Hampton, VA  
K through 5th grades. Folkstyle individual competition.

### ALL-AMERICAN MIDDLE SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 29 • Raleigh, NC  
5th through 8th grades. Folkstyle individual competition.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL DUALS

April 11-13 • Mt. Vernon, IA  
5th through 8th grades. Folkstyle team competition.

### FOLKSTYLE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

April 17-19 • Tulsa, Ok  
All ages, divisions. Folkstyle individual competition.

### SCHOLASTIC CHALLENGE

March 29-30 • Chicago, IL  
9th, 10th and 11th graders. Folkstyle individual competition.

### ELEMENTARY NATIONAL DUALS

April 11-13 • Kingsport, TN  
K through 5th graders. Folkstyle team competition.

### IRONMAN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

May 24-26 • Knoxville, TN  
All ages, all divisions. Folkstyle, Freestyle and Greco-Roman individual competition.

### SCHOLASTIC DUALS

June 21-25 • Walt Disney World, FL  
High school eligibility required. Folkstyle team competition.

### GRAND NATIONALS

July 3-5 • Hampton, VA  
All ages. All divisions. Greco-Roman and Freestyle individual competition.

### AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES

July 27-August 1 • Detroit, MI  
High school eligibility required. Freestyle team competition. Separate male and female divisions.

For more information on any of these events or to join the AAU please go to:

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KICKOFF  
BEING  
PLANNED!!*  
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*Mike  
Ellsworth*

ranked number **4**

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participates in All Army Wrestling tryouts  
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Contender for a spot on the first women's Olympic team  
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*Good Luck!!!*  
to Team MYWA  
2003 National Team

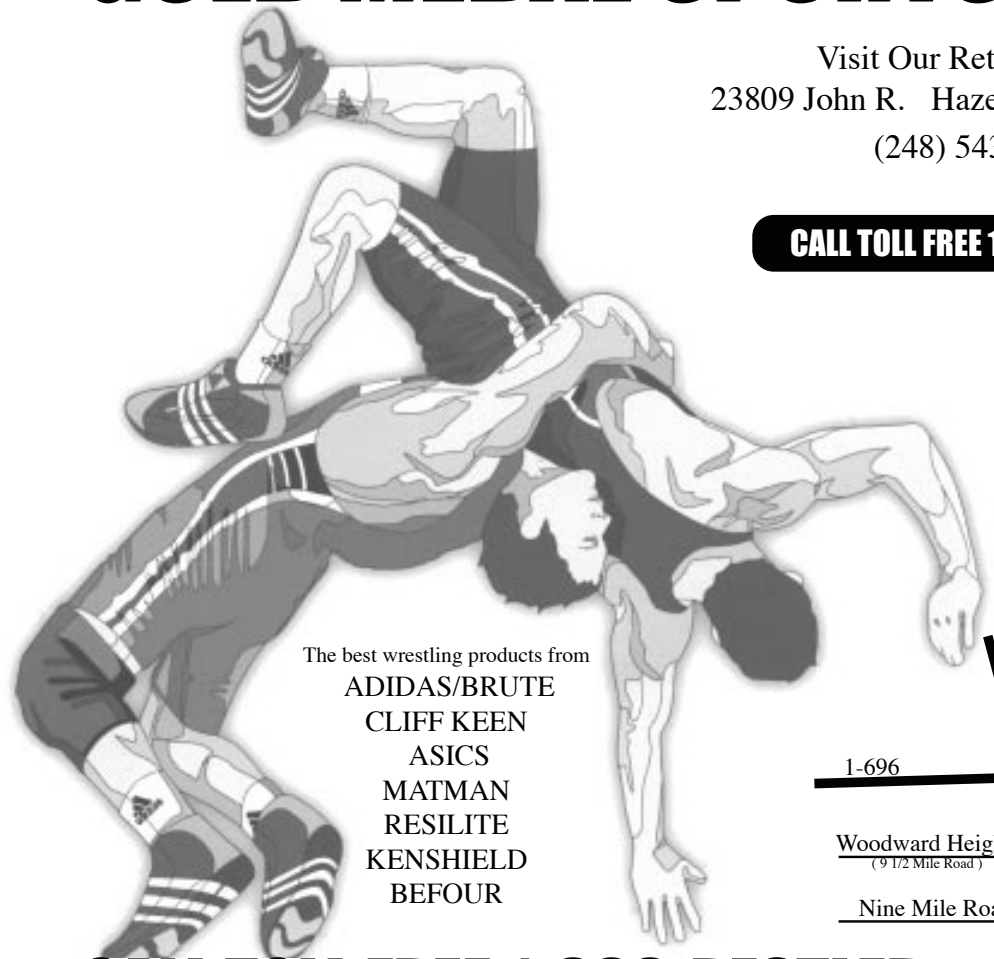
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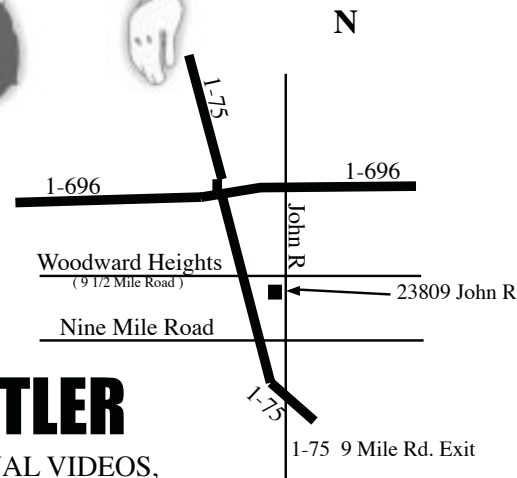
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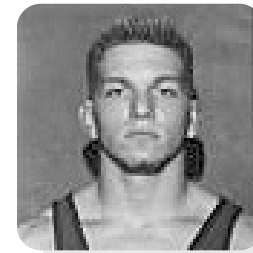
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Matt Sassolino



Team: MSU

Conan Williams

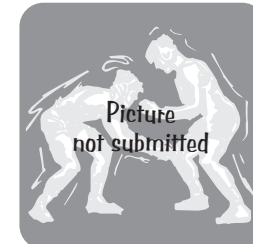
**211 lbs.**



Team: Columbia(NY)

Ben Tecmire

**50 kgs.**



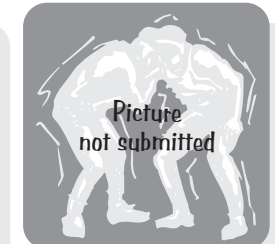
Team: NMU-  
 U.S.O.E.C.  
 Cadet National  
 Champion-Greco(1999)  
 Cadet National  
 Champion-FILA(1999)  
 3X State HS  
 Champion

Aaron Boone



Team: NMU-  
 U.S.O.E.C.  
 Junior National  
 Champion-Greco,  
 FILA(2003)  
 Junior National ALL  
 AMERICAN-  
 Greco(2001)  
 3X State Freestyle  
 Champion

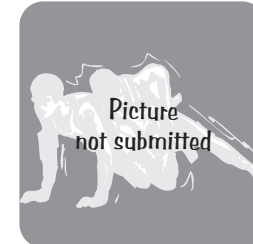
Joseph Betterman



Team: NMU-  
 U.S.O.E.C.  
 Cadet World  
 Champion  
 Junior Nationals-  
 Greco Champion  
 Cadet Nationals-  
 Greco Champion

Harry Lester

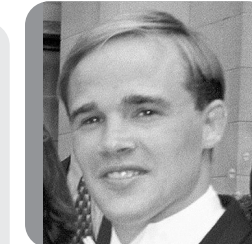
**66 kgs.**



Team: NMU-  
 U.S.O.E.C.  
 FILA Junior World  
 Team Trials Finalist  
 (2002)  
 4th at University  
 Nationals (2002)  
 4X State Champion-  
 Greco (1998-2001)  
 Numbers=666

Bobby Fisher

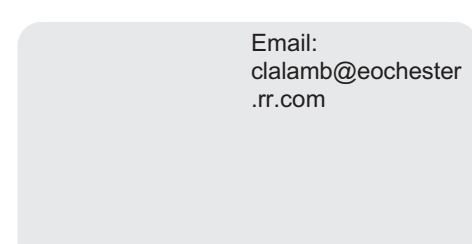
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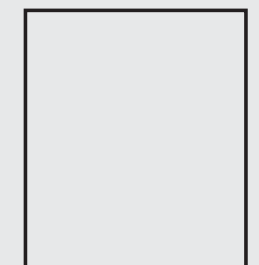
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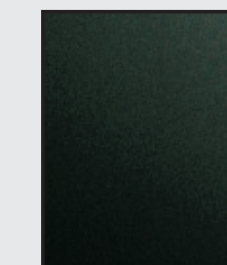
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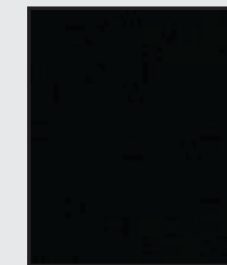
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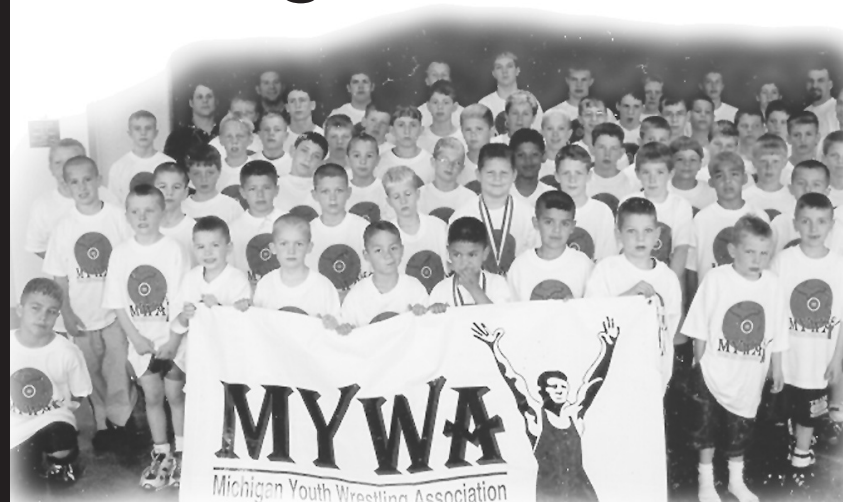
The Confidant congratulates Team MYWA - the Michigan Youth Wrestling Association on its second year anniversary.

Seen to the right is a picture of the Team MYWA National Team, at the annual AAU Iron Man World Championships, held in the Summer of 2002, in Nashville, TN.

MYWA can be found on the web at WWW.mywaywrestling.com, please call for more information on such.

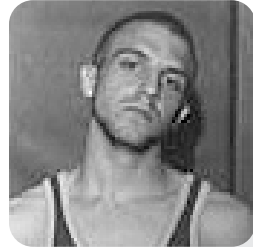
Lastly, "good luck" to the Team MYWA 2003 National Team headed to Knoxville, TN, for this year's AAU Iron Man World Championships!

*Congratulations!*



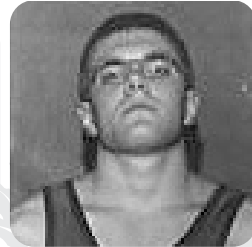
# MWC Welcomes New Member Athletes

## 121 lbs.



Team: Triton

Mike Dombrowski



Team: Triton

Brandon Sandefur



Team: MSU  
HS All American  
& undefeated 4X  
State Champion  
University National  
Champion

Nick Simmons

## 133 lbs.



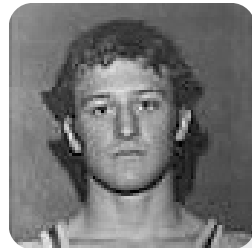
Team: Findley(OH)

Dave Feeley



Team: NA(MWC)  
Rank: #1 Women's  
Freestyle  
6X National  
Champion  
U.S. 6X World Team  
member  
6X World Finals  
competitor

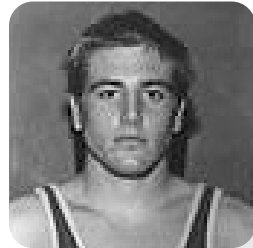
Lauren Lamb



Team: Triton

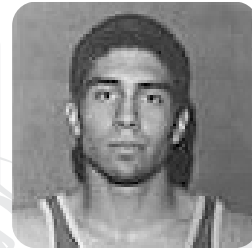
Chaz Tillman

## 143 lbs.



Team: Triton

Louis Kachiroubas



Team: Triton

Ricardo Serment



Team: MSU

Darrin McKnight

## 165 lbs.



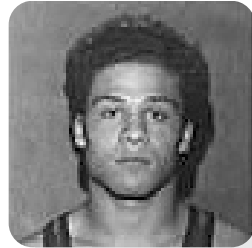
Team: NMU  
AAU-Grand  
Nationals  
Champion(2001)  
USA Wrestling(2002)  
Northern&Southern  
Plains Regional  
National Champion

Jake Kurby



Team: NA-Olympic  
Training Center  
Rank: #4 in Nation,  
Greco-Roman  
NYAC Christmas  
Invitation  
Champion(2002)

Mike Ellsworth



Team: Triton

Chris Lee

## 185 lbs.



Team: MSU

Arsen Aleksanyan



Team: MSU

Jeff Clemens



Team: MSU

Dan Nadeau

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## MWC BOARD MEMBER ACTIVATED FOR ALL ARMY WRESTLING

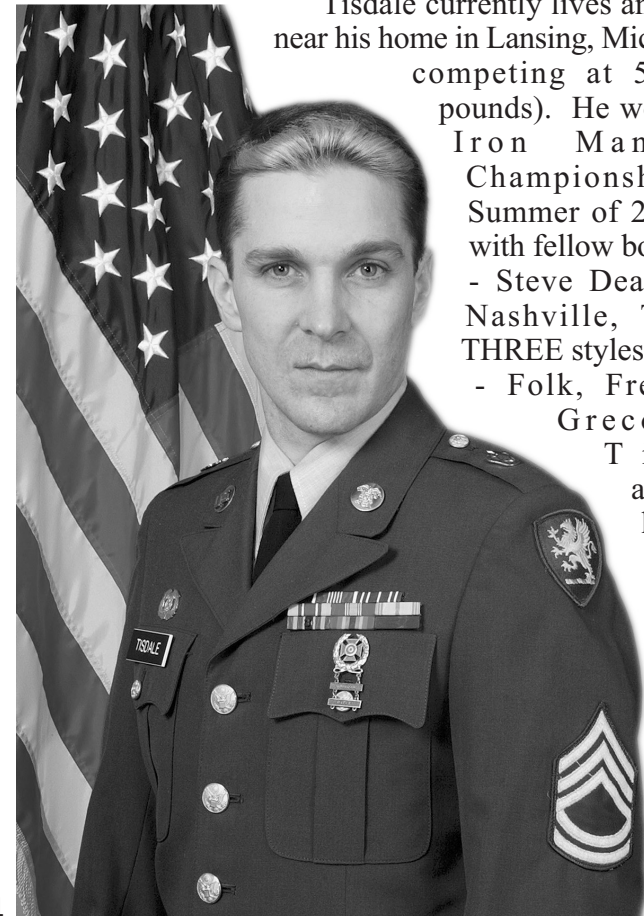
Director of MWC's Outreach and Growth, Shane Tisdale, was recently directed for duty to Ft. Carson in Colorado Springs, CO. The duty came after 6 years of continuous application from Tisdale, a SFC now in the U.S. Army Reserves, to tryout for the All Army Wrestling Team. Originally slated as over a two month training camp, with existant budget cuts and the War in Iraq, Tisdale was only approved for up to a two week tryout for the Army's team, but was still glorified and thankful just for the chance.

Indeed, never competing at the World class level and only once at a National level, Tisdale's expectations for getting quality experience, versus performance success, were realistic. All three of Tisdale's sparring partners at 55kg, in fact, for both Freestyle and Greco, were ALL ranked in the top 10 in the nation.

Besides Tisdale's current board spot, he also coordinates MWC's website and newsletter, along with volunteer coaching various inner city youth and adult wrestling teams in Lansing, MI, where he ia a native.

Besides his All Army Selection, Tisdale also runs his own 7th annual, Summer wrestling camp series - Wrestling Camp Tisdale, is Copper Coach Certified by MWF (Michigan Wrestling Federation), MHSAA certified for refereeing, and nominated to coach both the National team for MYWA, in 2003, and MWF's Womens' team (Team Michigan), in 2002.

Tisdale currently lives and trains still near his home in Lansing, Michigan, while competing at 55KG (121 pounds). He won the AAU Iron Man World Championship in the Summer of 2002 in fact, with fellow board member - Steve Dean, down in Nashville, TN, in all THREE styles of wrestling - Folk, Freestyle, and Greco-Roman. Tisdale accredits himself as being a large wrestling, especially female, advocate, enthusiast, and supporter.



4 SFC Shane Tisdale, US Army Reserves

## LAMB HITS JACKPOT



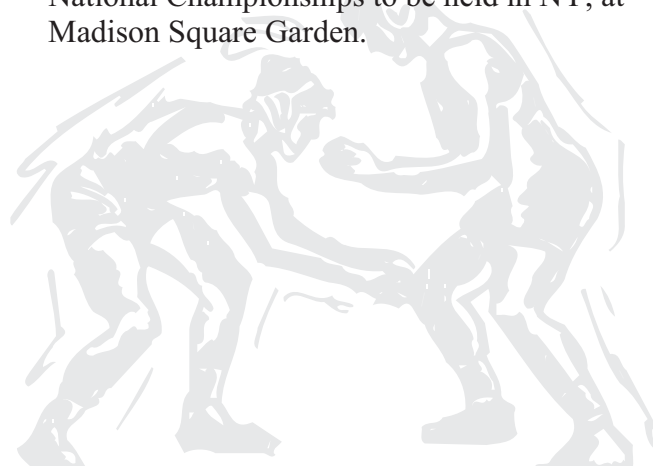
Lauren Lamb

MWC star athlete – Lauren Lamb, 59kg(130 lbs) "...strong effort helped the United States earn the overall team title", said Andrew Doerr, Sportswriter, *Town Courier*, in a Sunday March 23, 2003 issue. The competition in question -The Klippan International Wrestling Tournament- hosted teams from over 10 countries and was held in Klippan, Sweden.

To note, Lamb was undefeated throughout the Klippan trournament, capturing 1st place, which equalled Lamb's 6th World Championship appearance, while being a 6x U.S. National and World Team Trials champion.

A member of the 1999 World Championship US team, Lamb has been cited by US wrestling authority - TheMat.com - as being a "contender for a spot on the 1st USA women's Olympic team." She is currently ranked by TheMat.com as number 1 at 59kg..

Lamb is a Michigan born native who currently trains and lives near Rochester, NY, where she is preparing for the U.S. Womens' National Championships to be held in NY, at Madison Square Garden.



## IT'S PARTY TIME!



### MWC Kickoff Being Finalized

With direction from MWC Vice President Steve Goss (previous National Champion), MWC's membership "kickoff" celebration has been rescheduled. Previously slated for April of 2003, the board, along with VP Goss, aim to review having such after the mens' Nationals are completed in May of 2003.

Planned for the actual "kickoff" event are the following:

- Member Mini-wrestling tournament tryouts/exhibition
- 2002, end of year, awards ceremony
- Guest speaker (proposed)
- After event social and "mixer"

Although the location and date are still be set, VP Goss can be reached at any time for suggestions, help, and or questions, at the following: Stevengoss@aol.com, or (517) 989-892-2624.

## Ellsworth Ranked Number 4

In the most recent rankings published by USA wrestling authority - themat.com - Mike Ellsworth has been ranked at number 4 in the country.

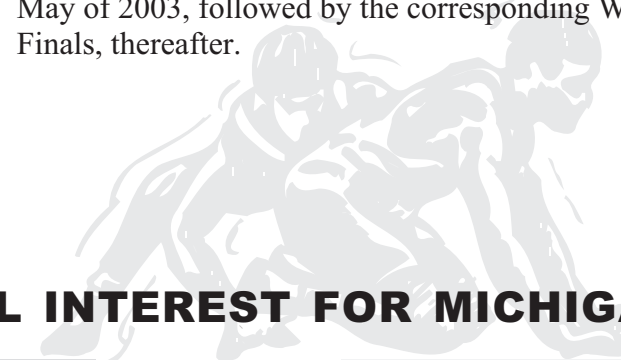


Mike Ellsworth

A MWC athlete for some time, Ellsworth wrestles Greco-Roman at 66kg, while training and living out at the prestigious, U.S. Olympic Training Center, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

A Michigan native, originally from Caro, MI., Ellsworth has been a top ranked wrestler in the Nation for many years, while still competing Nationally and Internatonally. To note, Ellsworth captured the NYAC X-Mas Invitation, in December 2002, and is currently competing abroad, over in Sweden.

Word is that Ellsworth is currntly preparing for the annual Mens' Nationals, held in Las Vegas, NV, in May of 2003, followed by the corresponding World Finals, thereafter.



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Date	Competition	Style	Location	Contact
TBA (3/ 03)	La Femme Nationale, AAU	Women Freestyle	TBA	Wade Shales, wade@aausports.org
TBA (3/03)	Armed Forces Championships	Sr. Greco, FS, military only	Mtn. Home AFB, ID	Rich Estrella, (719)573-4651
3/6-8/03	MHSAA State Championships	HS, Folkstyle	TBA (MI.)	Jack Roberts, (517)332-5046
3/8-9/03	BIG 10 Championships	College Rules	Madison, Wis.	Unknown (www.ncaa.com)
3/ 20-22/03	NCAA Championships	College Rules	Kansas City, Kan	Unknown (www.ncaa.com)
TBA				
(3/21-23/02)	State Championships, MWF, MI.	ALL, FS & Greco	TBA (MI.)	Al Kastl, (586)286-3733
3/29-30/03	USGWA Nationals, 6th Annual	ALL, Women, Freestyle	Lake Orion, MI..	Kent Bailo, (248)224-5068
3/30/03	USGWA Collegiate Folkstyle Nationals	Women, Folkstyle	Lake O, MI.	Kent Bailo, (248)224-5068
4/4-6/03	World Cup	Senior, Freestyle	Boise, ID	Pete Isais, (719)598-8181
4-11-13/03	Central Regonal Championships	Jr, Sr, Greco. & FS	Jeffersonville, IN	NWCA, (717)653-8009
TBA (4/13/03)	MSWA/AAU State Championships	ALL, FS	Hazel Park, MI.	Warren Wilson, (586)775-5244
4/17-19/03	Folkstyle World Championships	ALL, Folkstyle	Tulsa, OK	Wade Shales, wade@aausports.org
5/8-10/03	U.S. Nationals (8-9 for Vets)	Veteran & Sr. FS, Greco, women	Las Vegas, Nevada	Larry Barnson (702)735-5862
5/24-26/03	Iron Man World Championships	ALL, Folk, FS & Greco	Knoxville, TN	Wade Shales, wade@aausports.org
6/20-22/03	World Team Trials	Sr, Greco./FS/Women	Indianapolis, IN	Pete Isais, (719) 598-8181
7/2-5/03	Grand Nationals	ALL, FS, Greco, Sambo	Hampton, VA	Wade Shales, wade@aausports.org
TBA (8-03)	PAN/AM Championships	Senior, Women	Santo Domingo, DOM	Mitch Hull, (719) 598-8181
8/1-3/03	World Championships	Veterans/Freestyle	Johannesburg, RSA	Mitch Hull, (719) 598-8181
8/2-4/03	PAN/AM Championships	Senior, Greco.	Santo Domingo, DOM	Mitch Hull, (719) 598-8181
8/6-8/03	PAN/AM Championships	Senior, Freestyle	Santo Domingo, DOM	Mitch Hull, (719) 598-8181
9/11-14/03	World Championships	Sr., FS, Women	New York City, NY	Pete Isais, (719) 598-8181

•(Tentative dates)