

Open weight classes make winning difficult at Lex

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Six teams to compete Friday in Gothenburg Invitational

One of the team goals for the Gothenburg wrestlers at the Lexington Duals Invite was to maximize what the team could do with the numbers it had.

The Swedes gave up 18 points with three open weightclasses in each dual leading to a 1-4 record Friday.

The Swedes faced really tough competition, head coach Tom Scott said.

“We wrestled in duals against two Class A schools and three district opponents,” Scott said. “Those district duals we wrestled with blood and guts. The results were about 50-50 winning or losing close matches.”

In its first dual, Gothenburg was defeated by Lexington 70-12. Bryce Larson and Skyler Kottwitz were the only Swedes to record victories over Minutemen wrestlers.

Against Gering, the Swedes won a close match 39-33 that was a complete team effort, Scott said.

Both teams had three wrestling classes open and Scott said this was a team, numbers wise, they could beat and they did.

The match came down to Larson in the 106-pound class. He pinned Garret Allbaugh in 1:16 and clinched a victory for the Swedes.

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“There were huge matches in that dual that helped us win,” Scott said.

Jayden Miller had a 10-8 overtime win, Tyler Alvarez and Tyson Miller earned pins, contributing to the Gothenburg effort.

However, a dominating performance wouldn't continue against Chadron, North Platte and Kearney to end the day as the Swedes fell 54-20, 72-12 and 72-10, respectively.

Scott said the Swedes wrestled well against Chadron collecting huge wins like Talbot Buchholz' 11-10 decision, but the point differential couldn't be made up in the end.

Gothenburg's Kottwitz and Tyson Miller recorded victories against the Bulldogs and Bearcats. Both earned victory by forfeit against North Platte but won decisions over Kearney grapplers. Kottwitz won by major decision 9-0 and Miller won when his injured opponent was forced to forfeit.

Overall, Scott said he was pleased with the intensity and aggression the Swedes wrestled with and the team's conditioning has really shown.

Conditioning will be an important factor in Gothenburg Friday as the Swedes host the Gothenburg Invite which includes teams from Ainsworth, Broken Bow, North Platte St. Pat's, Sargent/Burwell and High Plains. The action starts at 2 p.m.

Scott feels confident in Gothenburg's ability to compete for the title.

“We're in the mix to win it,” he said. “I feel it's us and two other teams gunning for the championship.”

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He added his wrestlers are beginning to use skills learned in practice that have led to positive outcomes for Gothenburg in big matches.

DUAL RESULTS

Lexington 70 Gothenburg 12

Gothenburg 39 Gering 33

Chadron 54 Gothenburg 20

North Platte 72 Gothenburg 12

Kearney 72 Gothenburg 10

INDIVIDUAL SWEDE RESULTS

106—Bryce Larson pinned Jesse Ramirez (Lexington), 1:24; pinned Garret Albaugh (Gering), 1:16; lost 3-2 decision to Daniel Goings (Chadron).

126—Tyler Alvarez was pinned by Henry Gonzalez (Lexington), 1:28; pinned Deven DelosSantos (Gering), 0:55; lost 5-2 decision to Kane Wellnitz (Chadron); was pinned by Aaron Houser (North Platte), 1:24.

138—Talbot Buchholz was pinned by Dakota Hernandez (Lexington), 2:00; was pinned by Kelsey Hutson (Gering), 3:45; won 11-10 decision over Isaac Brodrick (Chadron); was pinned

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by Colton Thompson (North Platte), 1:27; was pinned by Trevar Bigelow (Kearney), 2:44.

145—Seth Portiner was pinned by Wesley Winter (Lexington), 3:20; was pinned by Damian Hort (Gering), 4:38; was pinned by Tyler Reitz (Chadron), 2:29; was pinned by Derek Berumen (Kearney), 1:05.

152—Jayden Miller was pinned by Mario Barraza (Lexington), 4:15; won 10-8 overtime decision over Quintin Timblin (Gering); pinned Tate Cullers (Chadron), 0:49; was pinned by Austin Matthews (North Platte), 1:25; was pinned by Mason Merritt (Kearney), 1:29.

160—Keyan Anderson was pinned by Moises Garcia (Lexington), 1:01; was pinned by Elijah Timblin (Gering), 0:30; was pinned by Willy Cogdill (Chadron), 2:58; was pinned by James Chamberlain (Kearney), 0:43.

170—Skyler Kottwitz pinned Junior Munoz (Lexington), 1:38; won unopposed; won unopposed; won unopposed; won 9-0 major decision over Camerson Schlender (Kearney).

182—Tyson Miller lost 17-6 major decision to Logan Farrell (Lexington); pinned Blake Rains (Gering), 1:04; pinned Curtis McMann (Chadron), 3:17; won unopposed; won forfeit over injured Tim DuBry (Kearney), 2:27.

195—Tyler Miller was pinned by Edwin Perdomo (Lexington), 3:15; lost 7-0 decision to Josh Ybarra (Gering); was pinned by Cooper Cogdill (Chadron), 1:51; was pinned by Bradan Hengen (North Platte), 5:01; was pinned by Jake Culey (Kearney), 2:27.

220—Chad Schmiett was pinned by Josue Ayala (Lexington), 1:33; won unopposed; was pinned by Tanner Kickland (Chadron), 1:08; was pinned by Tyler DuBry (North Platte), 1:02; was pinned by Aaron Griffith (Kearney), 0:54.

285—Luke Ferguson was pinned by Oscar Ramirez (Lexington), 2:44; won unopposed; was

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pinned by Alex Fritzler (Chadron), 1:12; was pinned by Alex Morales (North Platte), 0:32.

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