

# APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY MOUNTAINEERS

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## Wrestling Sweeps Mountaineer Duals

**BOONE, N.C.-** Appalachian State University wrestling (3-0) swept the Mountaineer Duals defeating Anderson, Belmont Abbey and Gardner-Webb on Sunday in Varsity Gym.

Sophomore **Tony Gravely** (Martinsville, Va./Magna Vista) got Appalachian on the board first by scoring a major decision over Anderson's Andrew Rankin, 17-7 at 125. Freshman **Chris Johnson** (Hillsborough, N.C./Orange), juniors **Kyle Benson** (Morganton, N.C./Robert L. Patton) and **Savva Kostis** (Boone, N.C./Watauga) also earned decisions over Trojans before juniors **Travis Puckett** (Matthews, N.C./David W. Butler) and **Kyle Blevins** (Sapulpa, Okla./Sapulpa) tallied back-to-back major decisions over Nicholas Giulietti, 10-2 and Jordan Lide, 12-3 to keep the Black and Gold on pace. Freshman **Branden Lietz** (Greenville, N.C./J.H. Rose) and junior **Carter Downs** (Tequesta, Fla./Jupiter Christian) also notched decisions before reigning SoCon Wrestler of the Year **Austin Trotman** (Winston-Salem, N.C./Mount Tabor) recorded a major decision over Zoi Ouellette, 10-2 at 197 pounds. The Apps were clicking on all cylinders going into the heavyweight division before freshman **Marc Tyson** (Monroe, N.J./Monroe Township) dropped a close bout to Chase Duke, 1-2. The Mountaineers defeated Anderson 31-3 to begin their morning on the mat.

ASU then took on Gardner-Webb and Belmont Abbey to end their day. Sophomore **Brett Boston** (Morganton, N.C./Freedom) took over at 125 and scored the fall over Gardner-Webb's Brett Kostern in 5:18 and earned a decision over Belmont Abbey's Shane Summerlin, 6-4. Junior Mike Kessler (Bay City, Mich./Western) went 1-1 on the afternoon after losing a close bout to Richie Spicel of Gardner-Webb, 0-4, but bounced back to score the major decision over Belmont Abbey's Will James, 8-0.

After earning a major decision in his first match of the morning, Blevins came back and scored a technical fall over Gardner-Webb's Erin O'Dell, 23-7 in 7:45, but faced a tougher opponent in Belmont Abbey's Jake Varilek. It came down to the last set, but Blevins defeated Varilek, 2-0.

Kostis earned the Apps' other technical fall of the afternoon when he took down Belmont Abbey's David Saley, 17-2 in 4:15.

Appalachian took down the Runnin' Bulldogs, 32-9 and finished off the Crusaders, 27-6 to close the event.

The Mountaineers take their momentum into Philadelphia, Pa. as they take part in the Keystone Classic on Sunday, Nov. 21.

### ASU 31, Anderson 3

125- Tony Gravely wins by maj. dec. over Andrew Rankin, 17-7  
133- Chris Johnson wins by dec. over Ian Harper, 5-2  
141- Kyle Benson wins by dec. over Caleb Swinson, 7-3  
149- Savva Kostis wins by dec. over Dan Telhada, 9-4  
157- Travis Puckett wins by maj. dec. over Nicholas Giulietti, 10-2  
165- Kyle Blevins wins by maj. dec. over Jordan Lide, 12-3  
174- Branden Lietz wins by dec. over Travor Sanford, 4-3  
184- Carter Downs wins by dec. over Sean O'Connell, 4-2  
197- Austin Trotman wins by maj. dec. over Zoi Ouellette, 10-2  
Hwt- Chase Duke wins by dec. over Marc Tyson, 2-1

### ASU 32, Gardner-Webb 9

125- Brett Boston wins by fall over Brett Kostern in 5:18  
133- Chris Johnson wins by fall over Alex Hamm in 3:36  
141- Richie Spicel wins dec. over Mike Kessler, 4-0  
149- Savva Kostis wins dec. over Ryan Ryan Medved, 6-4  
157- Alex Medved wins dec. over Travis Puckett, 10-3  
165- Kyle Blevins wins by technical fall over Erin O'Dell, 23-7 in 7:45  
174- Justin Guthrie wins dec. over Carter Downs, 2-0  
184- Branden Lietz wins maj. dec. over Taylor McClain, 12-2  
197- Austin Trotman wins dec. over Travis Porter, 8-5  
Hwt- Marc Tyson wins by forfeit Gardner-Webb

### ASU 27, Belmont Abbey 6

125- Brett Boston wins by dec. over Shane Summerlin, 6-4  
133- Chris Johnson wins by dec. over Graceson Pastirik, 8-2  
141- Mike Kessler wins by maj. dec. over Will James, 8-0  
149- Savva Kostis wins by technical fall over David Saley, 17-2 in 4:15  
157- Appolon Jean-Paul wins by dec. over Travis Puckett  
165- Kyle Blevins wins by dec. over Jake Varilek, 2-0  
174- Branden Lietz wins by dec. over Jerami Bartley, 9-2  
184- Ryan Gregory wins by dec. over Carter Downs, 10-5  
197- Austin Trotman wins by dec. over Nick Rees, 6-2  
Hwt- Marc Tyson wins by dec. over Kyle Spar, 8-3

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