

# APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY MOUNTAINEERS

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## Cox Named SoCon Wrestler of the Week; Apps Square Off With VMI Thursday at Home

**BOONE, N.C.** — Thanks to a stunning victory over a nationally ranked opponent in a narrow 19-18 loss to UNC Greensboro on Saturday evening, Appalachian State University's **Marcus Cox** has been named the Southern Conference Wrestler of the Week, the league office announced on Wednesday.

Cox trailed 4-0 1:27 into the second period of the 141-pound bout before pinning No. 18 Kevin Artis of UNCG. Cox's triumph turned what looked to be at least a 16-3 lead for UNCG into just a 13-9 ASU deficit heading into intermission of the hard-fought SoCon match.

A junior from Lillington, N.C., Cox is undefeated in his last three matches with two pins and a major decision. For the season, he is 17-10 overall, including 3-2 in dual meets and 1-0 in SoCon action. He is the first Mountaineer to earn SoCon Wrestler of the Week accolades since conference champion and NCAA qualifier Jason Jones claimed the honor on December 22, 2004.

Cox and the Mountaineers (5-5-1, 0-1 SoCon) look for their first conference victory of the season when they host VMI on Thursday at 7 p.m. in Varsity Gym.

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