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IU SWEEPS HOOSIER DUALS

**BLOOMINGTON, Ind. ** - Indiana went a perfect 5-0 on the day, sweeping the Hoosier Duals on Saturday, Nov. 25, in Assembly Hall. Four Hoosiers – Angel Escobedo, Matt Coughlin, Brandon Becker and Marc Bennett – were a perfect 5-0 on the day, with Escobedo pinning his final four adversaries and posting a major decision in his opening match. The Hoosiers held all five of their opponents – Appalachian State, Bucknell, University of the Cumberlands, Ohio and Oregon – to single digits at the event.

IU opened the duals with a 38-9 victory over ASU, with Indiana taking eight of the 10 matchups in the dual. Escobedo opened with a 15-3 major decision over Brody Essick, but the Mountaineers bounced back, with 20th-ranked Terryl Williams giving Andrae Hernandez his only loss of the day, a 7-2 decision, giving Williams his first of five victories at the duals. Williams was the only non-Hoosier to go 5-0 on the day.

Indiana then topped the Mountaineers in the next seven classes, with Nick Walpole, Coughlin and Trevor Perry posting falls. Becker and Justin Curran added technical falls, while Bennett won a 1-0 decision. In his first dual meet action, Elijah Cook topped ASU's Tommy Hutchinson 5-3. David Hazell closed out the dual with a victory for the Mountaineers, pinning Maurice Gunn in 4:30.

Indiana stormed out of the gates against Oregon, with Escobedo pinning Ryan Dunn in just 44 seconds. Hernandez followed by putting up a 16-0 technical fall of Joey Lucas at 133, but the Ducks got four points back as Justin Pearch (4-1 on the day) tallied a 17-8 major decision over Walpole. Coughlin pinned his second wrestler of the day at 149, falling Zack Frazier at the 6:49 mark. Co-captains Becker and Max Dean followed by giving IU consecutive major decisions at 157 and 165. Dean was a perfect 4-0 on the day after sitting out the ASU match.

Perry and Curran each took decisions for the Hoosiers at 174 and 197, respectively, while Bennett gave IU bonus points at 184 with a 14-3 major decision over Brysen French, giving French his only loss of the day. At heavyweight, Justin Kuhn made his Hoosier debut, but was outmatched by Chris Dearmon, who was awarded a 15-6 major decision in the contest. That gave the Ducks eight dual points on the match, with the Hoosiers taking a 35-8 victory over OU.

Against Bucknell, the Hoosiers tallied their most decisive victory of the day, taking a 44-3 decision. Escobedo (1:47), Becker (6:39), Perry (1:50) and Gunn (0:37) all pinned their opponents, while Hernandez and Walpole earned bonus points for IU by earning major decisions. In the most exciting match of the afternoon, Coughlin took a 7-5 overtime decision over Michael Guttilla, with the two wrestlers fighting through 11 minutes of wrestling before Coughlin emerged victorious. Eric Lapotsky took a 6-3 decision over Curran, giving the Bison their only three points of the match.

Indiana moved its tally to 4-0 against the Patriots, posting a 41-6 victory. Escobedo, Coughlin, Becker and Bennett each felled their opposition, while Hernandez (21-5) and Dean (18-2) each garnered five dual points with technical falls. Cumberland featured two of the best wrestlers at the duals, as Brad Cooper (141) and Eric Flinchum (heavyweight) each took decisions over their IU opponents, Scott Kelly and Gunn, to give UC six dual points. Cooper and Flinchum each went 4-0 for the event.

The Hoosiers closed out the duals with a 31-9 victory over Ohio, as Indiana won the first six weight classes to jump out to an insurmountable 25-0 lead. Escobedo closed out his day by pinning Mike Wilson in 2:21, while Becker finished the afternoon with a 20-1 technical fall of Dan Fladda, nearly pinning the freshman before earning five dual points. Antione Love became the second opponent to pin a Hoosier, dropping Perry in 3:19 to give the Bobcats six points. In the final bout of the day, Kuhn was topped 7-2 by Marcus Adelman, but stopped Adelman, who outweighed him by more than 70 pounds, from earning bonus points.

Indiana returns to action next weekend, traveling to Las Vegas for the Las Vegas Invitational on Dec. 1-2.

COMPLETE IU RESULTS:

**INDIANA 38, APPALACHIAN STATE 9
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125: Angel Escobedo maj. dec. Brody Essick, 15-3
133: Terryl Williams dec. Andrae Hernandez, 7-2
141: Nick Walpole pins Jake Calhoun, 0:38
149: Matt Coughlin pins Zach Martin, 3:21
157: Brandon Becker tech. falls Edward Hutchinson, 20-3
165: Elijah Cook dec. Tommy Hutchinson, 5-3
174: Trevor Perry pins Neal Martin, 1:08
184: Marc Bennett dec. Kevin Worsowicz, 1-0
197: Justin Curran tech. falls Brandon Brothers, 18-1
HWT: David Hazell pins Maurice Gunn, 4:30

**INDIANA 35, OREGON 8
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125: Angel Escobedo pins Ryan Dunn, 0:44
133: Andrae Hernandez tech. falls Joey Lucas, 16-0
141: Justin Pearch maj. dec. Nick Walpole, 17-8
149: Matt Coughlin pins Zack Frazier, 6:49
157: Brandon Becker maj. dec. Jeremy McLaughlin, 13-1
165: Max Dean maj. dec. Kyle Bounds, 10-2
174: Trevor Perry dec. Ron Lee, 8-2
184: Marc Bennett maj. dec. Brysen French, 14-3
197: Justin Curran dec. Chris Robertson, 5-4
HWT: Chris Dearmon maj. dec. Justin Kuhn, 15-6

**INDIANA 44, BUCKNELL 3
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125: Angel Escobedo pins Greg Hart, 1:47
133: Andrae Hernandez maj. dec. David Marble, 16-3
141: Nick Walpole maj. dec. Zachary Gilligan, 14-4
149: Matt Coughlin dec. Michael Guttilla, 7-5 (OT)
157: Brandon Becker pins Brantley Hooks, 6:39
165: Max Dean dec. Andrew Rendos, 3-2
174: Trevor Perry pins George Mann, 1:50
184: Marc Bennett wins by forfeit
197: Eric Lapotsky dec. Justin Curran, 6-3
HWT: Maurice Gunn pins Sean Locurto, 0:37

**INDIANA 41, CUMBERLAND 6
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125: Angel Escobedo pins Delrico Choates, 4:04
133: Andrae Hernandez tech. falls Mikael Brooks, 21-5
141: Brad Cooper dec. Scott Kelly, 6-0
149: Matt Coughlin pins Dustin Center, 3:43
157: Brandon Becker pins Josh Boggs, 1:46
165: Max Dean tech. falls Chuck Simmions, 18-2
174: Trevor Perry maj. dec. Matt Reis, 18-6
184: Marc Bennett pins Angelo Price, 1:32
197: Justin Curran dec. Robert Nusekabel, 10-5
HWT: Eric Flinchum dec. Maurice Gunn, 10-4

**INDIANA 31, OHIO 9
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125: Angel Escobedo pins Mike Wilson, 2:21
133: Andrae Hernandez maj. dec. Matt Smith, 13-3
141: Nick Walpole maj. dec. Albert Madsen, 9-1
149: Matt Coughlin dec. Clay Tucker, 9-5
157: Brandon Becker tech. falls Dan Fladda, 20-1
165: Max Dean dec. Jacob Ison, 8-5
174: Antione Love pins Trevor Perry, 3:19
184: Marc Bennett dec. Nick Terbay, 10-3
197: Justin Curran dec. Larry Reichard, 8-4
HWT: Marcus Adelman dec. Justin Kuhn, 7-2

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