

# APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY MOUNTAINEERS

# SPORTS INFORMATION



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## UPSET BID FALLS SHORT, HOKIES DOWN MOUNTAINEERS, 21-16

**BLACKSBURG, Va.** — The Appalachian State wrestling team looked to repeat the successes of a certain other ASU team in the 2007-08 opener, but the attempted upset of Virginia Tech failed 21-16. Appalachian led 10-0 after three matches, but was outscored 21-6 down the stretch to drop the season opener. Appalachian falls to 0-1 while the Hokies improve to 1-0.

The match began in the 141-pound class with senior **Marcus Cox** (Lillington, N.C./Western Harnett) taking the 5-3 decision over Chris Diaz. In 149-pounds, senior **Scott Ervin** (Weatherford, Okla./Weatherford) took a majority decision over Matt Rosen 10-2 to push the ASU lead to 7-0.

Senior **Eddie Hutchinson** (Brandon, Fla./Brandon) kept the moment up rolling with a majority decision of 7-1 over Andre Johnson to put the Apps up 10-0. Senior **Tommy Hutchinson** (Brandon, Fla./Brandon) took the first loss for the Mountaineers, falling 5-0 to Matt Epperly and allowing Tech to cut the lead to 10-3. In 174-pounds, No. 17 ranked **Neal Martin** (Cobleskill, N.Y./Cobleskill-Richmondville) lost a 4-1 decision to Eric Decker, pulling the Hokies to 10-6.

Freshman **Austin Trotman** (Winston Salem, N.C./Mount Tabor) earned his first career win by taking an 8-3 decision over Tommy Spellman to put ASU up 13-6. In 197-pounds, freshman **John Allen Griswold** (Moore, S.C./James F. Byrnes) was pinned after 3:57 by Kevin O'Connor to cut the deficit to 13-12. Heavyweight junior **Jared Campbell** (Chapel Hill, N.C./Douglas MacArthur) dropped a 4-2 decision to David Marone, giving the Hokies their first lead of the match, 15-13.

Sophomore **Frank Celorrio** (Miami, Fla./Hialeah) was pinned after 1:54 by Steven Armor to clinch the victory for Virginia Tech with only one match remaining. In the final match of the evening, No. 18 **Terreyl Williams** (Durham, N.C./Riverside) claimed an 11-5 decision over Nick Murray to bring Appalachian to within five points at 21-16.

Virginia Tech 21, Appalachian State 16

141 - Marcus Cox (ASU) dec. Chris Diaz (VT), 5-3, VT 0, ASU 3.  
149 - Scott Ervin (ASU) maj. dec. Matt Rosen (VT), 10-2, VT 0, ASU 7.  
157 - Eddie Hutchinson (ASU) dec. Andre Johnson (VT), 6-1, VT 0, ASU 10.  
165 - Matt Epperly (VT) dec. Tommy Hutchinson (ASU), 5-0, VT 3, ASU 10.  
174 - Eric Decker (VT) dec. No. 17 Neal Martin (ASU), 4-1, VT 6, ASU 10.  
184 - Austin Trotman (ASU) dec. Tommy Spellman (VT), 8-3, VT 6, ASU 13.  
197 - Kevin O'Connor (VT) pins. John Allen Griswold (ASU), 3:57, VT 12, ASU 13.  
285 - David Marone (VT) dec. Jared Campbell (ASU), 4-2, VT 15, ASU 13.  
125 - Steven Armor (VT) pins. Frank Celorrio (ASU), 1:54, VT 21, ASU 13.  
133 - No. 18 Terreyl Williams (ASU) dec. Nick Murray (VT) 11-5, VT 21, ASU 16.

Attendance: 929  
Referee: Kevin Neville

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