

WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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For the tenth straight year the 21st annual ASICS/Vaughan Cadet Nationals were held alongside the 35th annual ASICS/Vaughan Junior Nationals. The Fargodome, on the campus of North Dakota State University, held up to 4,500 competitors from July 23-30.

The Cadet National Championships feature the best 15-16 year-old wrestlers in the nation while the Junior National Championships include the top high school wrestlers in grades 9-12. These age-grouped events have long been a showcase of young stars that have gone on to win numerous NCAA, Olympic, and World crowns. Many of the top United States wrestlers in both freestyle and Greco-Roman on the international level competed in the Cadet Nationals as youths.

Andrew Long (84) of Iowa, Michael Mangrum (119) of Washington, Eren Civan (145) of Maryland, Deron Winn (189) of Missouri, and Tyrell Fortune (215) of Oregon won double titles, claiming gold medals in both freestyle and Greco-Roman at the Cadet National Championships.

Long won the freestyle championship in grand fashion with a pin over Richy Reinhoehl of Pennsylvania in 0:51. An exciting performer with excellent pin production, Long captured the Greco-Roman gold medal by pinning Wade Adams of Minnesota in 1:51. Long is the younger brother of former NCAA finalist Dylan Long and will enter his sophomore year at Creston High School.

Mangrum controlled heralded young star Jason Chamberlain of Utah in the freestyle finals with a myriad of moves on his way to a solid 7-3 win. In the Greco-Roman finals, Mangrum looked terrific en route to a dominating 11-1 technical fall over state high school runner-up Trenton Washington of Nebraska in 1:14. A state high school runner-up, Mangrum possesses great athleticism and is exceedingly poised and confident. He will be a sophomore at Auburn Riverside High School. Chamberlain was triumphant at the 2005 Utah State High School Championships and will enter his sophomore year at Springville High School.

In a spectacular overtime comeback match, Civan edged tough Josh Stalcup of Oregon, 3-2 at 4:18. Civan captured the

Greco-Roman title with 6-1 win over George Bancroft of Florida. A two-time state high school champion Civan is super experienced and will wrestle a series of steady matches. He will be a junior at Walt Whitman High School. Stalcup seized top honors at the 2005 Oregon State High School Championships and will enter his junior year at Estacada High School. Bancroft, a rising star with great potential, will be a sophomore at Cardinal Gibbons High School and is the defending state high school champion.

Winn overcame an injury in the freestyle finals to defeat talented Jerome Ward of Illinois, 4-2. Unbelievably strong, quick, aggressive, and powerful Winn was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the Greco-Roman tournament after a convincing 14-3 technical fall over Marcel Dubose of Michigan in 2:13. A state high school champion and two-time Cadet Greco-Roman national champion, Winn will be a junior at Liberty High School. He is an electrifying performer destined for future stardom.

Fortune claimed the freestyle gold medal with an impressive 11-5 decision over D.J. Bruce of Illinois. In the Greco-Roman finals, Fortune put on an explosive performance en route to an 11-3 win over Dom Bradley of Missouri. A versatile performer with a wide range of spectacular techniques, Fortune will be a sophomore at Park Rose High School. Bruce is an athletic individual and will enter his junior year at Naperville North High School. Bradley was victorious at the 2005 Missouri state championships and will be a junior at Blue Springs High School.

Returning champions who were able to win their second career Cadet National freestyle titles were Anthony Valles (98) of Connecticut and Ben Kuhar (275) of Ohio.

Valles scored four second period points on his way to a 5-0 victory over Ben Sergent of Ohio. A never-give-in type performer who uses great stamina and tenacity to his advantage, Valles was triumphant at the 2005 Connecticut State High School Championships and will enter his sophomore year at Blair Academy. Sergent, a former Junior High School state runner-up, will be a sophomore at Troy Christian High School.

CADET NATIONAL FREESTYLE TOP 10 TEAM SCORES

	(placers and points)	
1. Pennsylvania	(14)	65
2. Ohio	(9)	48
3. Illinois	(9)	47
4. New Jersey	(10)	46
5. Missouri	(8)	40
6. Washington	(10)	38
7T. Michigan	(6)	32
7T. Oregon	(5)	32
9. Iowa	(7)	24
10T. Minnesota	(5)	23
10T. New York	(9)	23

CADET NATIONAL GRECO-ROMAN TOP 10 TEAM SCORES

	(placers and points)	
1. Minnesota	(10)	52
2. Washington	(13)	50
3. Missouri	(7)	40
4. Ohio	(10)	38
5. Pennsylvania	(10)	33
6. Oregon	(5)	31
7. California	(6)	30
8. Illinois	(5)	28
9T. Utah	(5)	27
9T. Wisconsin	(6)	27

Kuhar staged a gallant comeback over fellow Ohio teammate Cameron Wade in a battle of talented competitors. Behind 4-1 in the second period, Kuhar came back with a reversal and pin at the 3:35 mark. A state high school runner-up, Kuhar is an aggressive grappler with the ability to score a lot of points in a short amount of time. He will be a junior at perennial national power St. Edward High School. Wade was victorious at the 2005 Ohio State High School Championships and will enter his junior year at St. Peter Chanel High School.

Wrestlers claiming their first Cadet National freestyle crowns included David Taylor (91) of Ohio, Tyler Clark (105) of Illinois, Tyler Graff (112) of Colorado, Kellen Russell (125) of New Jersey, Alex