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Cal Poly's Tom Lane Reaches Quarterfinals in NCAA National Championships
 — Cal Poly Wrestling —

PITTSBURGH, Penn. — Cal Poly 197-pounder Tom Lane has won his first two matches in the 2019 NCAA Division I National Wrestling Championships on Thursday inside PPG Paints Arena.

Seeded No. 21 in his weight class, Lane upset the 12th seed, Rocco Caywood of Army, in an 8-3 decision during the opening round Thursday afternoon.

In the second session Thursday night, Lane scored another upset, edging fifth-seeded Jacob Warner of Iowa 4-2 in overtime.

Lane is the first Mustang to reach the quarterfinal round since both Boris Novachkov and Ryan DesRoches won their first two matches in the 2012 NCAA Championships. Novachkov finished third at 141 pounds while DesRoches was eighth at 174.

"Tom trains unbelievably hard and has made a conscious effort to improve his wrestling," said third-year Mustang head coach Jon Sioredas. "Most people do not get to see the years of training that goes into a performance like today. I have been lucky enough to have had a front row seat."

Caywood scored a takedown in the opening period for a 2-0 lead and Lane was warned twice for stalling in the second period, giving Caywood a penalty point and a 3-0 lead.

The third period was all Lane, however, as the junior scored eight unanswered points — a four-point near-fall, an escape and a takedown plus riding time — for the win in his first-ever match against Caywood.

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Against Warner, Lane gave up a takedown in the first period, took Warner out in the second period and tied the match with a third period takedown to force overtime. Lane won the match with a takedown with one second remaining in the sudden-victory period.

"I was telling myself that I know I am in amazing shape and have to give it my all," Lane said.

Lane faces fourth-seeded Patrick Brucki (33-1) of Princeton in the quarterfinals Friday afternoon.

Lane is 21-11 for the season and 66-41 in his Mustang career following Thursday's pair of wins. The Garden City, N.Y. native also qualified for the nationals a year ago in Cleveland, winning one of three matches.

Cal Poly has not won a dual meet since February 2017, has claimed just one Pac-12 individual title in the last five years (Colton Schilling in 2018) and has not produced an NCAA All-American in seven years. Lane feels that will change soon.

We are building and we are showing that you can win at Cal Poly," Lane said. "I am doing this for my team and showing the entire country that you can do it at Cal Poly."

Lane earned his spot in the nationals by placing second in his weight class at the 2019 Pac-12 Conference Championships held two weeks ago inside Arizona State's Wells Fargo Arena.

Lane drew a first-round bye, then earned a 13-0 major decision against Jamarcus Grant of Oregon State to reach the final round against top-seeded Nathan Traxler of Stanford.

Traxler, ranked No. 12 in the nation, edged Lane 6-5 to earn one of the two allocated spots in the weight class. Lane also qualified for the nationals after he earned a true second in the allocation match against Arizona State's Austyn Harris.

Lane is ranked No. 24 in the final coaches rankings and No. 25 on the latest RPI list. His 20 wins this year include one fall, two technical falls and nine major decisions and Lane posted a 7-2 mark in dual meets.

Lane has won 12 of his last 16 matches after an 8-7 start, placing sixth in the Midlands in late December. He also won three of five matches at the Reno Tournament of Champions and 2-2 at the Las Vegas Invitational.

Quarterfinals and two rounds of wrestlebacks are scheduled for Friday afternoon, followed by the semifinals and an additional two rounds of wrestlebacks in the evening.

Wrestleback semifinals and the matches for third, fifth and seventh place will be contested Saturday morning, with the championship finals Saturday night.

ESPNU and ESPN3 will provide coverage of all matches in the first five sessions with the championship finals on ESPN and ESPN3 Saturday at 4 p.m. PDT.

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