

MIAA Championships

At Kearney, Neb.

Team Scoring

1. Nebraska-Kearney, 98; 2. Central Oklahoma, 95; 3. Lindenwood, 59; 4. Fort Hays State, 56.5; 5. Newman, 31; 6. Central Missouri 24.5

Finals

125: Dustin Reed, NU, dec. Carlos Jacquez, LU, 6-2

133: Hunter Haralson, LU, dec. Bryce Shoemaker, UNK, 4-2

141: Joshua Ailey, UCO, dec. Brandon Ball, FHSU, 6-5

149: Keith Surber, UNK, major dec. Tyler Mies, NU, 8-0

157: Greg Tooley, FHSU, dec. Destin McCauley, UNK, 3-1

165: Calvin Ochs, UNK, major dec. Jesse Reser, UCM, 10-0

174: Miguel Barreras, UCO, major dec. Isaac Deaton, UNK, 14-4

184: David Hamil, LU, dec. Zach Stodden, UNK, 9-4

197: Greg Wilson, UCO, dec. Jon Inman, FHSU, 5-4

Hvy: Caleb Cotter, UCO, dec. Kevin Barrett, UNK, 3-2

Consolation Finals

125: Zac D'Amico, UCO, major dec. Vlad Kazakov, UNK, 9-1

133: Blake Dauphin, UCO, pinned John Feeney, UCM, 2:25

141: Jacob Wasser, UNK, dec. Jeff Bizzle, UNK, 3-0

149: Will Steltzlen, UCO, pinned Will Homalon, FHSU, 2:52

157: Bryan Dutton, UCO, dec. Seth Harrington, UNK, 4-3

165: Dakota Head, UCO, dec. Nick Babcock, UNK, 12-5

174: Micquille Robinson, FHSU, dec. Kyel Ryan, NU, 7-5

184: Rakim Dean, FHSU, dec. Gage Stallworth, UCO, 6-5

197: Dillon Archer, LU, pinned Dalton Weidl, NU, 1:47

Hvy: Christian Lance, FHSU, dec. Jacob Borgmeyer, LU, 5-2

Broncho win four individual titles at MIAA Championships

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KEARNEY, Neb. – The University of Central Oklahoma took second at the MIAA Championships Sunday, three points behind Nebraska-Kearney, after the Bronchos got four individual champs.

Joshua Ailey, Miguel Barreras, Greg Wilson, and Caleb Cotter all won individual titles to help the Bronchos to 95 team points on the day. UCO also got five third-place finishes from Zac D’Amico, Blake Dauphin, Will Steltzlen, Bryan Dutton, and Dakota Head.

“I am incredibly proud of the guys right now,” UCO head coach Todd Steidley said. “We were down pretty big early in the day and to comeback and miss the championship by three points, that’s something to be proud of.

“The guys that won, they did an awesome job today,” Steidley said. “I’m happy for them because I know how hard they worked for this.”

Ailey went 3-0 on the day. The senior beat Lindenwood’s Derek Heil 17-0 in the quarterfinals, then pinned Fort Hays State’s Anthony Calderon 38 seconds into the semifinals to give the Bronchos their first finalist of the day. It was also his 36th career win by fall, moving him into fourth-place in Central Oklahoma history.

Ailey would face off with Fort Hays State’s Brandon Ball, who he was 0-2 against this season including last Sunday in Edmond. The third time would be the charm as Ailey earned a 6-5 decision.

Barreras also went 3-0 on the day. The redshirt freshman beat Fort Hays State’s Micquille Robinson 12-2 in the quarterfinals before beating Newman’s Kyle Ryan 4-1 in the semifinals. Barreras, who led the Bronchos with 32 wins this season, then beat Nebraska-Kearney’s Isaac Deaton 14-4 for the championship.

Wilson entered the postseason on a 16-match win streak, and the junior would stretch that to 19 after Sunday. Wilson pinned Nebraska-Kearney’s Trey Schlender in the quarterfinals, then earned a 7-2 decision over Newman’s Dalton Weidl in the semis.

Wilson would face Fort Hays State’s Jon Inman for a third time this season in the finals. Inman won the first match in November, Wilson won the second last Sunday. And Wilson, who is the third-ranked 197-pound wrestler in the country, would win the third with a 5-4 decision over the second-ranked Inman.

Cotter went 3-0 Sunday as did the other champs. The heavyweight beat Central Missouri’s Chase Miller 16-1 in the quarterfinals, then beat Fort Hays State’s Christian Lance for a fourth time this season in the semifinals.

That set up a rematch in the final with Nebraska-Kearney’s Kevin Barrett. Barrett is ranked second in the country and pinned Cotter on Jan. 21 in Edmond.

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Barrett scored a takedown, but Cotter escaped. Cotter then escaped after choosing to start the second period down and it was 2-2. Cotter then rode Barrett the entire third period after to get the riding time point and the 3-2 win.

D'Amico bounced back from an early loss to Nebraska-Kearney's Vlad Kazakov to beat him in the consolation final and take third. D'Amico went 2-1 Sunday.

Rio Zamora went 1-2 on the day at 133 pounds. He fell short in the quarterfinals to Nebraska-Kearney's Bryce Shoemaker by fall in 2:09. Zamora then beat Fort Hays State's Matt Mejia 9-8 before eventually being eliminated by his teammate in the consolation semifinals.

Dauphin beat Fort Hays State's Wyatt Alvis for the second time a week, but came up short in the 133-pound semifinals. Dauphin then beat Zamora 11-3 to move into the third-place match, where the sophomore beat Central Missouri's John Feeney by fall in 2:25.

At 149 pounds, Steltzlen suffered an early loss to Fort Hays State's Will Homalon, who he beat in Edmond last Sunday. But then Steltzlen beat Hays' Jacob Kay in the consolation semis, and then beat Homalon for a third-place finish.

Dutton beat Nebraska-Kearney's Seth Harrington in the 157-pound quarterfinals but lost to Fort Hays State's Greg Tooley in the semis. Dutton then beat Central Missouri's Zane Heiter and Harrington a second time to finish third.

At 165 pounds, Head received a bye into the semifinals, but lost to Central Missouri's Jesse Reser 3-2. Head though, beat Central Mo's Cole Kemna and Nebraska-Kearney's Nick Babcock to get a third-place finish.

Caleb Hawes and Gage Stallworth wrestled at 184 pounds for the Bronchos. Hawes got a first-round bye, but lost to Lindenwood's David Hamil in the semifinals, then got beat Stallworth in the consolation semis.

Stallworth lost to Nebraska-Kearney's Zach Stodden in the quarterfinals. After edging out his teammate with a 6-2 decision, Stallworth came up short 6-5 in a third-place match with Fort Hays State's Rakim Dean.

The Bronchos also sent Kyle Factor as a second heavyweight. Factor lost 10-2 to Barrett in the quarterfinals, then beat Newman's Thor Balavage by fall in 4:24 in the consolation bracket. Factor however, lost in the consolation semis to Hays' Lance by a 3-2 decision.

Regionals are up next for the Bronchos. UCO travels to Golden, Colo. for the two-day event that begins Friday, Feb. 24 at the Colorado School of Mines.