

After spending the last month competing in a handful of tournaments, the Navy wrestling team (0-1) closes out the calendar year with a dual match against longtime rival Maryland (0-1) on Friday evening (7:00 pm) at XFINITY Center in College Park. For those fans unable to attend, the match will be streamed live on BTN Plus (subscription) via Maryland's web site.

### Navy Notebook

- Navy owns a 0-1 mark in dual action this season, losing a 28-9 decision to No. 2 Ohio State in the opening week of competition. Since the Ohio State dual, the Mids have competed at the Jonathan Kaloust Bearcat Open (no team scoring), Navy Classic (3rd/16 teams) and Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (17th/43 teams).
- Junior 174-pound **Spencer Carey** (Ringwood, N.J.) is coming off a fifth-place finish at the CKLV Invitational where he was unranked and unseeded. He earned perhaps the two biggest victories of the tournament for the Mids. On the first day, Carey pinned 13th-ranked Dylan Lydy of Purdue (6:41) in the round of 16 and the following day he scored a 13-3 major decision over 18th-ranked Kimball Bastian of Utah Valley.
- Carey faced nationally-ranked wrestlers in five of his seven bouts at the tournament, finishing with a 5-2 overall mark and 4-1 in the matches against nationally-ranked foes.
- Carey was rewarded for his strong performance, entering the national rankings for the first time in his career.
- Seeded 12th, junior 149-pound **Jared Prince** (Safety Harbor, Fla.) put together a 4-3 mark over the course of the tournament to place eighth. All three of his losses were foes ranked among the top 10 (12-6 vs. #6 Max Thomsen, Northern Iowa; 7-3 vs. #7 Mitch Finesilver, Duke; 5-3 vs. #9 Austin O'Connor, North Carolina).
- Senior team captain **Nicholas Gil** (Crystal Lake, Ill.), came up just one bout shy of placing. After jumping out to a 2-1 lead on Virginia's Samuel Krivus in Saturday morning's consolation round of 8 (#2), Krivus took advantage of a misstep by Gil and pinned the nation's ninth-ranked 141-pounder.
- Gil, meanwhile, is closing in on 100 wins. He captured his 90th career victory at the CKLV Invitational with a 2-1 decision over American's Jack Mutchnik. He currently stands 90-36 (71.4).

### Projected Navy Lineup

Wt - Wrestler (Cl, overall record, dual record)

- 125 - Jacob Allen (Fr, 6-5, 1-0) / Logan Treaster (So, 0-0, 0-0)
- 133 - Casey Cobb (So, 11-4, 0-1) / Cody Trybus (So, 3-2, 0-0)
- 141 - #18 Nicholas Gil (Sr, 12-3, 0-1)
- 149 - #19 Jared Prince (Jr, 4-4, 0-1) / Wyatt Long (So, 2-4, 0-0)
- 157 - Quentin Hovis (So, 2-2, 0-0) / Scout Skidgel (So, 0-0, 0-0)
- 165 - Tanner Skidgel (So, 2-3, 0-1) / Jonathan Carrera (Sr, 8-3, 0-0)
- 174 - #18 Spencer Carey (Jr, 11-6, 0-1) / AJ Alford (Jr, 2-2, 0-0)
- 184 - Alex Benoit (Jr, 7-5, 0-0) / Anthony Cable (Sr, 7-5, 0-1) / Connor Doyle (Sr, 4-4, 0-0)
- 197 - Joshua Roetman (Jr, 8-3, 1-0)
- 285 - Thomas Ott (Sr, 2-5, 0-0) / Andrew Piehl (Jr, 1-3, 0-1)

### Mids In the Rankings

141 - Nicholas Gil

#18 Intermat / #16 Flowrestling / #15 Amateur Wrestling News / #20 The Open Mat / #18 Wrestling Insider

149 - Jared Prince

#19 Intermat / #17 Flowrestling / #18 Amateur Wrestling News / #17 The Open Mat / #12 Wrestling Insider

174 - Spencer Carey

#18 Intermat / #17 Flowrestling / #14 Amateur Wrestling News / #19 The Open Mat / NR Wrestling Insider

### Maryland Notebook

- Maryland enters Friday's match against the Mids with a 0-1 overall mark. The Terps opened dual action a week ago, dropping a 26-6 decision to Penn in Philly.
- Like Navy, the Terps have focused much of the early season on tournament action participating in the Princeton Tiger Open, the West Stroudsburg Open, the Wolfpack Open and the Mat Town Open.
- Maryland has two wrestlers who currently appear in the Intermat rankings - 18th-ranked Alfred Bannister at 149 pounds and fourth-ranked heavyweight Youssif Hemida. Bannister has put together a 5-1 record to date, while Hemida has spent the fall training and competing with the US National Team. Hemida won a silver medal competing at the U23 World Championships in Bucharest in mid-November.

### Projected Maryland Lineup

Wt - Wrestler (Cl, overall record, dual record)

- 125 - Brandon Cray (R-So, 1-3, 0-1) / King Sandoval (Fr, 2-2, 0-0)
- 133 - Orion Anderson (Fr, 3-5, 0-1)
- 141 - Michael Deatch (R-So, 5-2, 0-1)

- 141 - Michael Doetsch (R-Sr, 0-2, 0-1)
- 149 - #18 Alfred Bannister (R-Sr, 5-1, 0-1)
- 157 - Adam Whitesell (R-Sr, 5-4, 1-0) / Jahi Jones (R-Jr, 1-2, 0-0)
- 165 - Idris White (R-Jr, 1-2, 0-0) / Phil Spadafora (R-Fr, 5-4, 0-1)
- 174 - Josh Ugalde (R-Jr, 0-3, 0-1)
- 184 - Kyle Jasenski (R-Fr, 6-2, 1-0)
- 197 - David-Brian Whisler (R-Jr, 3-3, 0-1)
- 285 - Mansur Abdul-Malik (So, 0-3, 0-1)

#### **The Series**

- Navy leads the series against Maryland, 55-11-3, including wins in each of the last six meetings.
- In last year's dual, won seven of the 10 bouts to claim a 29-10 victory over the Terps at Alumni Hall in Annapolis.
- Navy owns a 21-6-2 mark against Maryland in College Park, winning each of the last three (22-18 in 2013, 20-18 in 2015 and 23-16 in 2017).
- The Terps' last win in the series came on Jan. 20, 2012, when they clipped the Mids in Annapolis, 23-12.

#### **What's Ahead**

- The Midshipmen will step away from the competition mat for the remainder of the month before gearing up to take part in the Southern Scuffle held in Chattanooga, Tenn. on Jan. 1-2.

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