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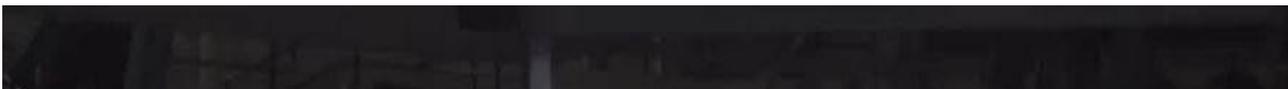
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MINNEAPOLIS – Three Purdue wrestlers secured their place in the NCAA Championships field during the second session of the Big Ten Championships on Saturday. [Devin Schroder](#) (125), [Ben Thornton](#) (133) and [Max Lyon](#) (184) join [Dylan Lydy](#) (174) as automatic qualifiers to Pittsburgh. [Christian Brunner](#) (197) and [Jacob Aven](#) (285) are one win away from locking in a spot. In special six-man brackets due to nine automatic qualifiers, [Nate Limmex](#) (141), [Griffin Parriott](#) (157) and [Cole Wysocki](#) (165) are two wins shy of securing the final bid. All of Saturday's results, upcoming opponents and brackets can be found on the [B1G Championships Hub](#).

Sunday's third session starts at 1 p.m. ET from Williams Arena with the semifinals of the six-man brackets, followed by consolation semifinals, seventh-place matches and ninth-place matches.

Schroder opened wrestlebacks with a bang and Aven put an exclamation point on it as both Boilermakers had thrilling upsets. Ninth-seeded Schroder stormed back from a four-point nearfall by Nebraska's Zeke Moisey in the second period with back-to-back reversals and a four-point nearfall of his own to upset the Husker 10-4. The win locked the redshirt sophomore's bid to his first NCAA Championships.

Aven erupted for two monstrous takedowns in the final frame to upset eighth-seeded All-American Sam Stoll of Iowa 5-2.





Purdue's starter and closer will finish above their seed, wrestling for seventh against a foe from Michigan. Schroder (19-10) is set to take on No. 6 Drew Mattin and Aven (11-20) will meet third-seeded Mason Parris.

Thornton's used a 4-2 decision to get past No. 9 Anthony Tutolo of Michigan State in the second round of wrestlebacks to qualify for his second NCAA Championships. The 20-9 redshirt senior will become a three-time Big Ten Championships placewinner when he goes for seventh against Illinois' eighth-seeded Dylan Duncan.

It was a second period rideout that lifted No. 8 Lyon past No. 7 Jelani Embree of Michigan 6-5 to land an automatic berth to his first NCAA Championships. The sophomore will take his 22-12 record into a seventh-place matchup with Wisconsin's sixth-seeded Mason Reinhardt.

The Boilermakers' lone semifinalist was third-seeded Lydy at 174, who was edged 6-5 by No. 2 Myles Amine of Michigan. Lydy had the first takedown, but it was Amine with the last takedown midway through the second period. Already having his second NCAA bid locked, the 25-7 redshirt junior moves into the consolation semifinals and will battle No. 4 Mikey Labriola of Nebraska.

Brunner won twice in wrestlebacks to move into the consolation semifinals with an NCAA berth on the line. The fourth-seeded 197-pounder bounced back from a quarterfinal loss by defeating No. 6 Jackson Striggow of Michigan 6-2. He followed with a shutout of Michigan State's eighth-seeded Brad Wilton 3-0. Brunner (22-8) needs to place fifth or higher in order to automatically qualify for his third NCAA Championships. His consolation semifinal opponent will be No. 3 Jacob Warner of Iowa.





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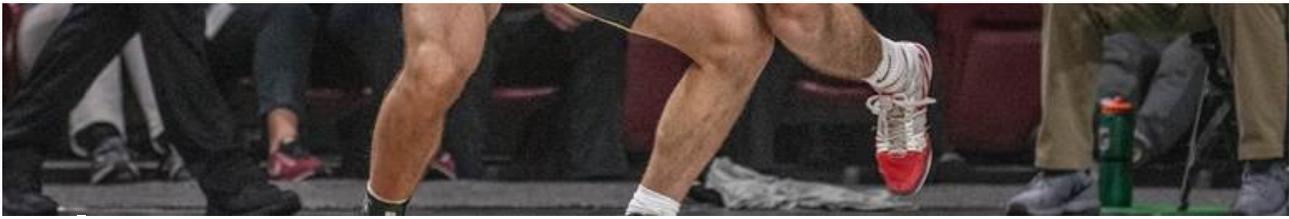
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MINNEAPOLIS – Third-seeded *Dylan Lydy* pushed his way into the 174-pound semifinals of the Big Ten Championships on Saturday. Eight additional Purdue wrestlers will fight their way through consolation brackets in the second session starting at 7 p.m. ET from Williams Arena. All of the Session 1 results, upcoming opponents and brackets can be found on the **B1G Championships Hub**.

Lydy secured his place in the semifinals by defeating sixth-seeded Ethan Smith of Ohio State 5-1. The win also guaranteed a second trip to the NCAA Championships for the redshirt junior hailing from Indianapolis, Indiana. He began the tournament by cruising past No. 14 Braxton Cody of Northwestern with a 17-2 (4:16) technical fall, the first of his career.

Lydy (25-6) will square off against No. 2-seeded Myles Amine of Michigan in tonight's semifinals.

Fourth-seeded *Christian Brunner* mirrored Lydy with a 15-0 technical fall of Northwestern's Zack Chakonis in 5:33. The 197-pounder was upended by fifth-seeded Eric Schultz of Nebraska 3-2 in the quarterfinals. An escape by the Husker with 1:17 to go in the match was the difference, sending Brunner (20-8) into the consolation bracket. With only five spots allotted, Brunner must win three matches in order to automatically qualify for the NCAA Championships.

The Boilermakers' 125-, 133- and 184-pounders also appeared in the quarterfinals, were denied and need to win their next match in order to secure automatic qualification. No. 9 *Devin Schroder* returned to action after missing the last four duals of the season with a commanding 13-5 major decision over eighth-seeded Malik Heinselmann of Ohio State. Northwestern's No. 1-seeded Sebastian Rivera used 6:22 in a 20-4 technical fall.

No. 7 *Ben Thornton* registered his 10th shutout of the season with a 3-0 outing against No. 10 Colin Valdiviez of Northwestern. Iowa's second-seeded Austin DeSanto took Thornton down once in each of the periods on his way to a 9-3 decision.

Schroder (18-9) will need to beat No. 7 Zeke Moisey of Nebraska, while Thornton (19-8) will need to knock Michigan State's No. 9 Anthony Tutolo off in order to lock up their spot in the NCAA Championships field.

At 184 pounds, *Max Lyon* avenged a 3-2 loss to Rutgers' Nick Gravina by dealing the ninth-seeded Scarlet Knight a 3-1 setback. The eight-seeded Boilermaker's second period takedown held for the win. Lyon ran into No. 1-seeded Myles Martin of Ohio State in the quarterfinals and suffered a 25-10 loss in 5:57. The 21-11 sophomore needs to beat No. 7 Jelani Embree of Michigan in order to lock in his first NCAA Championships bid.

No. 10 *Nate Limmex* (141), No. 9 *Griffin Parriott* (157) and *Jacob Aven* (285) dropped their opening matches and received a bye in the first round of wrestlebacks. *Parker Filius*' first Big Ten Championships ended at the hands of Nebraska's Jordan Shearer, pinning the redshirt freshman at 2:42.

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