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### Mids Crown Four Champions, Place Third at Navy Classic

Tyler Hunt (141 / So / Calhoun, Ga.), David Key (184 / So / Norcross, Ga.), Jacob Koser (197 / Jr / Dillsburg, Pa.) and Riley Smith (285 / Sr / Mason, Mich.) stood atop the podium as individual champions at their respective weight classes to lead the Navy wrestling team to a third-place finish at the 12-team Navy Classic held Saturday at Wesley Brown Field House.

Michigan State, who won the tournament by 3.5 points over Ohio and 7 points over Navy, has now won the Navy Classic team title twice (2018, 2021) in the last three times the tournament has been held (no tournament held in 2020). Going into today's competition, a different team had won the tournament crown in each of the previous eight tournaments - 2012 Kent State, 2013 Wisconsin, 2014 Chattanooga, 2015 Princeton, 2016 Indiana, 2017 Navy, 2018 Michigan State, 2019 Virginia Tech, 2020 No tournament due to COVID.

Navy led the way with four individual champions, while Michigan State and Ohio each had two and Bucknell and Lock Haven had one apiece. Michigan State and Ohio both place 10 wrestlers among the top six, while Navy had 9.

All four wrestlers are first-time Navy Classic champions, while Koser has been crowned the 197-pound champion in two of the three tournaments in which he's wrestled this season. Hunt, Key and Smith, meanwhile, are all first-time champions as collegians.

In addition to Navy's four champions, Josh Koderhandt (133 / Fr / Belleville, Ill.) placed second, Grady Griess (285 / So / Grand Island, Neb.) took third, Shane Finney (Sr / 174 / Carlsbad, Calif.) and Cael Crebs (Fr / 174 / Montoursville, Pa.) tied for third in the same weight class and Val Park (165 / Jr / Edmond, Okla.) finished in the fifth/sixth-place match.

#### The Highlights

- 18 wrestlers competed for the Mids with 9 placing among the top six in their respective weight classes.
- Just 5 of the 18 wrestlers who represented Navy in the tournament had previously seen action in the Navy Classic (PJ Crane 0-2 in 2019, Hunter Johns 0-2 in 2019, Jacob Koser 4-1/3rd place in 2019, Val Park 2-2 in 2019 and Riley Smith 0-2 in 2018 and 2019).
- Having battled injuries during the young season, Saturday's Navy Classic marked the first appearance this fall for Tyler Hunt.
- Navy has won a combined 9 individual titles in its 3 tournaments to date - 3 at the Clarion Open (Koderhandt, Cerniglia, Koser), 2 at the Bearcat Open (Allen, Cerniglia) and 4 at the Navy Classic (Hunt, Key, Koser, Smith).

#### What's Ahead

- The Midshipmen will step away from the mat for the Thanksgiving holiday before returning for the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational slated for Friday and Saturday, Dec. 3 and 4.

#### Navy Results at Navy Classic

125 - Dayton DeViscio (2-2, Did Not Place)

- Rd of 32: bye
- Rd of 16: defeated Sam Congleton, VMI / Dec / 2-0
- Quarterfinals: lost to Andrew Fallon, American / Dec / 4-3
- Cons. of 8 #2: defeated Bronson Garber, Bloomsburg / Dec / 3-2
- Cons. of 4: lost to Brandon Seidman, Bucknell / Dec / 10-5

125 - Grant Treaster (0-2, Did Not Place)

- Rd of 32: bye
- Rd of 16: lost to Calvin Dalton, Bucknell / Dec / 7-3
- Cons. of 16 #2: bye
- Cons. of 8 #1: lost to Bronson Garber, Bloomsburg / Dec / 9-3

133 - Josh Koderhandt (2-1, 2nd Place)

- Cons. of 16 #1: bye
- Quarterfinals: defeated Jake Rotunda, The Citadel / Dec / 10-5
- Semifinals: defeated Kurtis Phipps, Bucknell / Dec / 6-4 SV
- Finals: lost to RayVon Foley, Michigan State / Dec / 8-3

133 - Luke Lucerne (0-2, Did Not Place)

- Rd of 16: lost to Brendon Fenton, Kent State / Dec / 6-1
- Cons. of 8 #1: bye
- Cons. of 8 #2: lost to Jake Rotunda, The Citadel / Major / 12-2

141 - Tyler Hunt (4-0, Champion)

- Rd of 32: bye
- Rd of 16: defeated Joseph Clement, The Citadel / Fall / 2:24
- Quarterfinals: defeated Jordan Hamdan, Michigan State / Major / 13-1
- Semifinals: defeated Gabe Willochell, Edinboro / Dec / 9-8
- Finals: defeated Darren Miller, Bucknell / Medical Forfeit

141 - River Curtis (1-2, Did Not Place)

- Rd of 32: bye
- Rd of 16: lost to Darren Miller, Bucknell / Major / 8-0
- Cons. of 16 #2: bye
- Cons. of 8 #1: defeated Blake Noonan, Michigan State / Fall / 4:42
- Cons. of 8 #2: lost to Kyran Hagan, Ohio / Dec / 6-1

149 - PJ Crane (1-2, Did Not Place)

- Rd of 32: bye
- Rd of 16: defeated Sully Allen, Edinboro / Fall / 2:11
- Quarterfinals: lost to Peyton Omania, Michigan State / Major / 12-4
- Cons. of 8 #2: lost to Ryan Burgos, Edinboro / Dec / 10-3

149 - Christian Hodges (1-0, Did Not Place)

- Rd of 32: bye
- Rd of 16: defeated Alec Hagan, Ohio / DQ / 2:02
- Quarterfinals: lost to Cade Balistrini, Bloomsburg / Medical Forfeit
- Cons. of 8 #2: lost to Jacob Pail, Edinboro / Medical Forfeit

157 - AJ Tamburrino (1-1, Did Not Place)

- Rd of 16: defeated Nick Delp, Bucknell / Dec / 3-1 SV
- Quarterfinals: lost to Jordan Slivka, Ohio / Injury Default / 4-0, 5:33
- Cons. of 8 #2: lost to Skyler Crespo, Michigan State / Medical Forfeit

165 - Val Park (4-2, 5th/6th Place)

- Rd of 32: defeated Brady Chrisman, Kent State / Dec / 6-0
- Rd of 16: defeated Kamal Adewumi, Ohio / Dec / 10-6
- Quarterfinals: lost to Caleb Fish, Michigan State / Dec / 5-3 SV
- Cons. of 8 #2: defeated Miles Hoey, Michigan State / Major / 12-4
- Cons. of 4: defeated Brady Chrisman, Kent State / Tech Fall / 15-0 (5:47)
- Cons. Semifinals: lost to Colt Yinger, Ohio / Dec / 6-5
- 5th Place: Tim Fitzpatrick, American / No Contest

165 - Sammy Starr (1-2, Did Not Place)

- Rd of 32: defeated Brinton Simington, Lock Haven / Major / 11-3
- Rd of 16: lost to Jake Benner, Rutgers / Fall / 1:06
- Cons. of 8 #1: lost to Eyley Ashton, Lock Haven / Dec / 12-5

174 - Shane Finney (4-1, 3rd/4th Place)

- Rd of 32: bye
- Rd of 16: defeated Nathan Jimenez, Michigan State / Dec / 4-2
- Quarterfinals: lost to Michael Ferree, Kent State / Dec / 6-4
- Cons. of 8 #2: defeated Marty Larkin, Michigan State / Fall / 3:55
- Cons. of 4: defeated Ben Haubert, The Citadel / Fall / 4:59
- Cons. Semifinals: defeated Colin Shannon, American / Tech Fall / 17-1 (7:00)
- 3rd Place: Cael Crebs, Navy / No Contest

174 - Cael Crebs (4-1, 3rd/4th Place)

- Rd of 32: bye
- Rd of 16: defeated Logan Stanley, Ohio / Dec / 4-2
- Quarterfinals: lost to Colin Shannon, American / Dec / 8-2
- Cons. of 8 #2: defeated Nolan Springer, Bucknell / Major / 15-4
- Cons. of 4: defeated Cole Burke, The Citadel / Major / 9-1

- Cons. Semifinals: defeated Michael Ferree, Kent State / Dec / 9-7 SV
- 3rd Place: Shane Finney, Navy / No Contest

184 - #29 David Key (3-0, Champion)

- Rd of 16: bye
- Quarterfinals: defeated Connor Bourne, American / Dec / 6-0
- Semifinals: defeated Zach Brown, VMI / Major / 10-1
- Finals: defeated Layne Malczewski, Michigan State / Dec / 10-4

184 - Hunter Johns (0-2, Did Not Place)

- Rd of 16: lost to Ethan Ducca, Edinboro / Dec / 8-6
- Cons. of 8 #1: lost to Zayne Lehman, Ohio / Major / 11-2

197 - #21 Jacob Koser (4-0, Champion)

- Rd of 16: defeated Mason McCreedy, Bucknell / Dec / 2-0
- Quarterfinals: defeated Kyle Epperly, Rutgers / Tech Fall / 16-0 (3:26)
- Semifinals: defeated Tyler Mousaw, VMI / Major / 12-1
- Finals: defeated Cameron Caffey, Michigan State / Major / 8-0

285 - Grady Griess (4-1, 3rd Place)

- Rd of 16: defeated Josh Evans, VMI / Fall / 1:14
- Quarterfinals: defeated Alex Esposito, Rutgers / Major / 10-1
- Semifinals: lost to Michael McAleavey, The Citadel / Dec / 6-4
- Cons. Semifinals: defeated Jordan Earnest, Ohio / Fall / 1:52
- 3rd Place: defeated Shane Noonan, Bloomsburg / Fall / 2:48

285 - Riley Smith (3-0, Champion)

- Rd of 16: bye
- Quarterfinals: defeated Jacob Cover, Kent State / Dec / 9-5
- Semifinals: defeated Max Millin, Edinboro / Dec / 2-1
- Finals: defeated Michael McAleavey, The Citadel / Dec / 3-1

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