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Bears Fans, Friends, and Alumni,

It was a good weekend for the Bears coming away with two home dual victories and pushing our dual record to 9-1. This is our best start to the season in quite some time and we are happy with how we are competing. While I wasn't completely pleased with Friday night's performance, I feel we competed with much more heart and fight on Sunday. We have a quick turnaround as we head to #12 Oklahoma State and Little Rock this coming weekend.

Alumni- For those of you that were in attendance on Sunday, I need to apologize to you for not being brought out onto the mat at halftime. I don't want to make excuses, there are none. You all deserved to be recognized and this is something that will be dealt with. I promise that this will not happen again.

Quick notes from Sunday

<https://uncbears.com/news/2023/1/15/wrestling-no-9-mid-major-unc-dominates-no-7-mid-major-cal-poly.aspx>

125lbs- Stevo Poulin (Won by Dec)

Stevo needs to continue to find a way to separate himself from the competition. He is very talented and is finding ways to win close, however, if he doesn't start separating himself, he is going to learn a painful lesson one of these times.

133lbs- Jace Koelzer (Lost by Dec)

Jace has struggled a little bit so far this year up at his new weight class. Personally, I believe he is being overpowered in a lot of situations. As he continues to adjust, he will need to learn how to use his skill set to win positions and score

points.

141lbs- Andrew Alirez (Won by fall)

Andrew took care of business. I believe he has 82 takedowns on the season and has given up 0. Part of me wants to see him continue to dominate, part of me wants someone to score on him so we get it out of the way before the big matches start to come. Either way, I feel like he is firing on all cylinders.

149lbs- Chris Sandoval (Won by Mdec)

Chris was a little gun shy to start the match, however, was able to finish with bonus points. Looking to see him continue to stay on his offense as his leg attacks are very good.

157lbs- Vinny Zerban (Won by Dec)

Vinny wrestled a smart and controlled match. As happens with some freshman, Vinny was ridden out in the 2nd period before going back down and gaining the escape in the 3rd. Vinny continues to get better each time out.

165lbs- Baylor Fernandes (Won by Dec)

Like Vinny, Baylor gets better with each outing. On Sunday, he defeated his ranked opponent with ease. Hoping to add a few more in the coming weeks so he can secure his spot at the NCAA Tournament.

174lbs- Andy Berreyesa (Won by Dec)

Andy rebound from Friday night nicely and is back on track. Fortunately, the loss on Friday did not affect him too badly in the rankings. We look for him to pick up a few more ranked wins as he continues his climb.

184lbs- Branson Britten (Lost by Dec)

Branson has hit a bit of a rough patch and is struggling being who he is right now. For him to pick up wins, he needs to be who the tough, great conditioned, grinder he is. I feel like he can get back on track.

197lbs- Xavier Vasquez (Won by Dec)

Xavier had a nice weekend going 2-0. He continues to grind out tough matches and is getting the most out of himself right now.

285lbs- Xavier Doolin (Lost by Dec)

While Xavier was not able to come away with the win, we saw a few moments of promise from him. As I have mentioned before, Xavier is uber-talented and once the toughness matches, we may have something here.

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GO BEARS!


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