



FULTON WRESTLING



Proud of the Past - Working for the Future

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Schedule Tough As Always, New Challenges

Raiders To Meet Ten Teams State Ranked In 2016

Three Duals On College Campuses

Third year head coach Jeff Waldron doesn't seem to have waivered from his "anyone, anytime, anywhere" approach to scheduling. The 2016-17 season starts off with old time rival B'ville on November 30th at the Bee's Nest . Two weeks later on December 14th, Fulton hosts Phoenix and their "transfers" in a highly anticipated dual that will likely pack the house.

Other schedule highlights in December include the Andersen Tournament where the Raiders intend to pick up their fourth consecutive Andersen title. Then they travel to Owego in Section IV for a dual meet tourney on the 17th. After Christmas, Fulton hosts the 14th Annual Haines Memorial tournament at Oswego State on the 27th and 28th followed by an appearance in in the DeSantis Duals hosted by Section V's Webster Thomas High

School on December 30th.

It doesn't get any easier in January. Fulton was invited as the only team from Section III to compete in the prestigious Union-Endicott Duals where 15 of the 16 teams entered were state ranked last season—including the top seven.

Also during January, the team will wrestle three duals on college campuses: Ausable Valley (Section 7) at Cornell, Fairport (Section 5) at RIT and Mexico at Oswego State.

Then there's the Section III Duals. Fulton came within one bout of winning the Duals last year, dropping a 35-32 finals contest to Adirondack. The Raiders owned the Duals from 1989 to 2007 winning 17 out of 19 tournaments but have struggled since then winning only once.

Changes In Jr Hi and Pee Wee Programs

Junior High Kicks Off New Club Season

Pee Wee Program Sign-Ups

Sign-ups for Fulton's Junior High club season are underway. Junior High (modified) wrestlers can sign up for the program with Coach Zach Gilbert at the junior high. Coach Gilbert will also be having an informational meeting on _____ at _____.

Practices for the club season will be held after school in the junior high wrestling room from _____ to _____. There is a \$20 registration fee for the required NYWAY insurance.

The annual 5th and 6th Grade Wrestling Tournament will be held at the Fulton War Memorial on Thursday, November 3rd. Signup information and details will be handed out in Phys Ed in Classes. After the tournament,

kids can sign up for the pee wee program there that day.

Coach Waldron is starting his wrestling presentations at the elementary school assemblies this week. Pee Wee sign-up information will be handed out at the assemblies for the kids to bring home. Sign ups will be held on Tuesday, November 8th and Thursday, November 10th from 6-7 pm at G. Ray Bodley High School.

The pee wee registration fee has been reduced to \$20. The fee helps cover the cost of insurance and t-shirts for the kids.

If you have questions, please contact Karen Noel at 598-4699 or Coach Waldron at 806-3123



A contingent of Fulton Wrestlers competed in Puerto Rico over Columbus Day weekend and brought home tournament medals to show for their efforts. Seniors Wyatt Wills and Andrew Yablonski were double medalists placing in both the Cadet and Junior Division tournaments. Freshman Cam Galvin and sophomore Tommy Hughes won medals in the Schoolboy Division tournament. Pictured (l to r) are: Coach Cam Mills, Andrew Yablonski, Wyatt Willis, Tommy Hughes, Cam Galvin, Sam Waldron, Cole French and Coach Jeff Waldron.

Coach's Corner



The regular season is just days away and I'm pleased to report that the team is hard at work preparing for our challenging schedule. Twenty wrestlers have signed up for Ken Chertow's Weekend Warrior Training Camp next weekend in State College Pennsylvania.

Speaking of the schedule, I know some are disappointed that we have only three home duals scheduled. This is partly because of our league obligations but it's mostly because there aren't many teams that want to wrestle us in our home gym. So this season, to compete against better teams, we have been forced to become "road warriors".

News & Notes

NYSPHSAA has approved a state dual meet championship for next season. This is a huge development for our sport. Some details are still being worked out but so far we know that there will be a tournament for each division and sections will determine the process for sending their teams to the event.

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