

Wrestling: Tri-Valley league season preview

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Juniata's Zach Beitz and Arty Walsh wrestle in 2009 PIAA finals; the two are now teammates

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JUNIATA Indians

Coach: Mike Robinson

2008-09 record: 23-4 (4-1 league).

The big picture: Ay, caramba! The offseason news generated by Juniata staggers the mind. First, head coach Bob Hart, a 340-match winner, stepped down at the end of the season, yielding to Mike Robinson. Then just a month later came the bombshell of the year when Wyomissing freshman and PIAA champ Arty Walsh and his family moved to Mifflintown. Walsh will now be teammates with fellow soph Zach Beitz, whom he beat in state finals (Beitz defeated Walsh in the 3-AA finals). Add in the fact that the Indians have an otherwise fine lineup and, well, the ride is just beginning.

Top returnees: **Seth Beitz** (sr middle), **Zach Beitz** (so light), **Shane Cook** (sr light), **Dan Fultz** (sr upper), **Cody Miller** (jr middle), **Andrew Reid** (jr light), **Brandon Rowles** (so middle), **Josh Shoop** (sr upper), **Dylan Treaster** (jr (upper), Arty Walsh (so light).

LINE MOUNTAIN Eagles

Coach: Mike Martz.

2008-09 record: 16-4 (5-0 league champion).

The big picture: The Eagles have just two seniors on the roster, but enough returning talent and some promising youth to score several dual meet wins. But defending the league title will be an uphill scramble.

Top returnees: **Tim Botkin** (jr light), **Travis Erdman** (jr middle), **Adam Kritzer** (so light), **Bryce Martz** (jr upper), **Mitchell Martz** (jr light), Ryan Paul (so light), Carlos Zrake (sr middle).

NEWPORT Buffaloes

Coach: Mike Capozzoli

2008-09 record: 12-8 (3-2 division).

The big picture: The Buffaloes could be looking at a nice dual season and another trip to the 3-AA team championship if they stay healthy. Has Cappy really been coaching at Newport for 22 years? Dang.

Top returnees: Zach Huss (so light), Kyle Deimler (so light), **Austin Clegg** (jr light), Justin Willi (sr middle), **Eric Kemble** (jr middle), Chris Eisenhart (so middle), Bryce Mullen (jr middle), Derek Cox (sr middle), Skylar Ray (so upper), Nic Smith (so upper), Justin McAllister (sr upper).

UPPER DAUPHIN Trojans

Coach: Todd Rupp.

2008-09 record: 9-7 (2-3 division).

The big picture: The Trojans have just one senior -- Tyler Grosser -- on the roster and he injured his shoulder in the District 3-A football finals. A bit of mix-and-match lineup with some experience and some green. Could be an interesting season.

Top returnees: Chris Forney (jr upper), Tia Gotoweski (jr light), Tyler Grosser (sr upper), J.P. Leitzel (so middle), Michael Schueren (jr light), Brock Snyder (so upper), Jake Wolf (so light) .

HALIFAX Wildcats

Coach: Brian Zerby.

2008-09 record: 2-16 (1-4 league).

The big picture: Terribly young and lacking numbers last year, the Wildcats took some serious beatings, but several returnees and promising new wrestlers have Zerby looking at much better season .

Top returnees: Jordan Ott (sr upper), Ben Gordy (sr middle), Trevor Weaver (jr middle), Derrick Garber (so light), Dorian Meklis (so light), Adam Prohaska (so upper).

EAST JUNIATA Tigers

Coach: Ray Barrick.

2008-09 record: 5-15 (0-5 league).

The big picture: The Tigers are a little lean on varsity experience, but an increase in numbers this year should help boost the win production.

Top returnees: **Dylan Ehrenzeiler** (so light), Eric Mitch (sr upper), Ralph Strunk (sr middle), Zach tamanini (jr light), Wade Truitt (sr upper).

Midstate wrestlers to watch

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Zach Beitz from Juniata
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Boiling Springs' Joe Spisak
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Zach Beitz, Juniata, so, lightweight

Charlie Bise, East Pennsboro, jr lightweight

Shyheim Brown, Central Dauphin, so lightweight

Tyler Buckman, Central Dauphin, sr middleweight

Bo Candelaria, Middletown, sr middleweight

Kenny Courts, Central Dauphin, jr upperweight

Dereck Enders, Big Spring, jr, lightweight

Travis Erdman, Line Mountain, jr middleweight

Luke Etter, Big Spring, sr, upperweight

Kevin Gooding, Central Dauphin, jr lightweight

Shawn Greevy, Cumberland Valley, sr middleweight

Jimmy Hughes, Chambersburg, sr lightweight

Shane Miller, Middletown, jr lightweight

Zach Nye, East Pennsboro, jr upperweight

Marshall Peppelman, Central Dauphin, sr upperweight

Joe Spisak, Boiling Springs, sr lightweight

Arty Walsh, Juniata, so, lightweight

Tristan Warner, Cumberland Valley, sr upperweight

Jayshon Wilson, Carlisle, jr, middleweight

Blaine Shutt, Lower Dauphin, sr lightweight