

JIM THORPE TAKEDOWN CLUB – WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 4, 2013

JIM THORPE WRESTLING PROGRAM

- Programs connected from HS (Coach Albert) all the way down to pre-school

TAKEDOWN CLUB

- Support system for the wrestling program (not a governing body)
- Volunteering for home matches (both elementary & HS)
 - 1 Home match, Sunday December 15th
 - 1 Elementary tournament which raises 75% of our annual income (end Feb or early March)
- Great to have the young wrestlers see the HS team as well

WRESTLING BOOSTER CLUB

- Fundraising & support organization for JH & HS programs

VEWL

- Valley Elementary Wrestling League. Arguably the best Elementary-wrestling league in the country
- www.vewl.org - Site has a great deal of info including directions to venues & start times

CONTACT JT COACHES

- Head Coach Renny Shoop 1-570-436-0482
- On the web: JimThorpeWrestling.com and also on Facebook “Jim Thorpe Wrestling” (no hyphen)
- Will send group emails when possible (if you haven’t been getting them, please give us your email address)

PRACTICES

- Novice: Mondays & Fridays 6-730 at the HS
- JV & Varsity: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 6-8 at the HS
- NO SCHOOL OR EARLY DISMISSAL MEANS NO PRACTICE

PRACTICE EXPECTATIONS

- The room is just like a classroom
- Kids will be pushed hard at times
- They should not leave the room except at designated break times

LEAGUE SCHEDULE

- Attached: <http://www.vewl.org/teamschedule.php?id=26>

ADDITIONAL TOURNAMENTS & NON-LEAGUE MATCHES

- Will try to schedule additional team matches with local schools (Panther Valley?)
- Individual tournaments are available
 - Coaches may not always be in attendance
 - Site: <http://www.pywrestling.com/tlyouth.htm> (also a “tournament listings” link on vewl site)

MATCH DAY

- Time to arrive at match site may vary from week to week depending on the venue
- Directions to each venue can be found on the VEWL site (this week’s directions are attached)
- Novice will receive singlets at first match and will turn them in at the end of the year
- Wrestling shoes should never be worn outside
- Wrestlers will have a locker room available to change
- Parents may NOT sit mat side during matches
- Home team has the choice of running the Novice first (most do) or run the JV/Varsity first
 - Novice runs 5 matches per mat, no score is kept, no weigh ins
 - JV/V run like a HS event, will have to weigh in prior to match (Novice wrestlers encouraged to stay)

YEAR END AWARDS & BANQUET

- Participation awards and individual achievement awards
- Only eligible if complete the season (compete in VEWL tournament)

1st MATCH – SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER 2013

- Double Dual vs Lehigh Twp (2 other teams in attendance) at Northampton Middle School
- Will find matches for all JV & V wrestlers (on other 2 teams if necessary)

MATCH LOGISTICS

This coming Sunday, Dec 8th, Moore Township will be hosting the dual meet day for Jim Thorpe, Lehigh Township, and Northern Lehigh at the Northampton Middle School. We will run a 'traditional' match day with novice wrestling beginning at 10:00am and running for about an hour. Weigh-ins will be at 10:30 in the locker room closest to the entrance of the gym. JV wrestling will begin at 11:00am with Varsity wrestling to follow. Moore Township is home wrestling Northern Lehigh and Lehigh Township is home wrestling Jim Thorpe. Moore Township will be lockered with Lehigh Township in the front locker room (closest to entrance to gym) and Northern Lehigh will be lockered with Jim Thorpe in the far locker room. Directions to the school are posted on the VEWL website under Moore Township team information. Doors will open 9:00-9:30am. Snack stand will be available throughout the day.

ADDRESS & DIRECTIONS

1617 Laubach Ave, Northampton, PA 18067

From US 22, take Airport Road (SR 987) North to intersection with Nor-Bath Blvd (SR 329). Take a left onto Nor-Bath Blvd (West). Follow Nor-Bath Blvd into Northampton. Come to traffic light at intersection with Laubach Ave. Take a left onto Laubach Ave and High school will be on your left. Take entrance right before high school and follow around behind high school and past. Keep following until you see the middle school on your right (pod shaped buildings). The middle school is where our matches are, please park out front of middle school or behind or in front of high school.

Matches for Jim Thorpe

<i>Date</i>	<i>Visitors</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>WI Time</i>	<i>Start Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
Sunday 12/08/2013	Jim Thorpe	Lehigh Twp.	10:30 AM	11:00 AM	Northampton Middle school
Sunday 12/15/2013	Easton PAL	Jim Thorpe	10:30 AM	11:00 AM	Jim Thorpe High School
Sunday 12/15/2013	Pocono Summit	Jim Thorpe	10:30 AM	11:00 AM	Jim Thorpe High School
Sunday 12/22/2013	Bethlehem Township	Jim Thorpe	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	Forks Community Center
Sunday 01/05/2014	Jim Thorpe	Stroudsburg	11:00 AM	11:30 AM	Stroudsburg HS
Sunday 01/05/2014	Jim Thorpe	Parkland Red	11:00 AM	11:30 AM	Stroudsburg HS
Sunday 01/12/2014	Jim Thorpe	Central Catholic	11:30 AM	12:30 PM	Allentown Central Catholic HS
Sunday 01/19/2014	Pen Argyl	Jim Thorpe	11:30 AM	12:00 PM	Saucon Valley HS
Saturday or Sunday 01/25/2014 or 01/26/2014	League Quads		TBA	TBA	Northwest Division
Saturday 02/01/2014	Exhibition Tournament		Northampton		
Sunday 02/02/2014	JV Tournament		Northampton		
Saturday & Sunday 02/08/2014 & 02/09/2014	Varsity Tournament		Shawnee Middle School		