Wrestling: Hofstra Falls To Kent State And Purdue At The Northeast Duals

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Clifton Park, NY – Hofstra's 11th-ranked senior Michael Hughes won two matches on the mat and junior Ryan Burkert won one as the Pride dropped dual matches to the Golden Flashes of Kent State and the Boilermakers of Purdue in the Journeymen Northeast Duals at Shenendehowa High School Saturday afternoon.

Hofstra is now 1-2 overall and 1-0 in the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association.

In the first match of the day against the undefeated Golden Flashes of Kent State (5-0), Hofstra was staked to a 6-0 advantage on a forfeit to Pride sophomore Jacob Martin. But Kent State won the next eight matches, including two major decisions, to build the 26-6 lead. Hughes closed out the contest for the Pride with a first period pin of junior Devin Nye at 285 for the 26-12 final score.

In the nightcap against Purdue (3-0), the Boilermakers, who upset 22nd-ranked North Carolina, 31-6 earlier in the day, opened the match with three consecutive tech falls to build a 15-0 lead. Hofstra's Ryan Burkert (2-1) stopped the run by edging Austin Nash, 2-0, at 149. Purdue then won the next five matches, including a tech fall and a major decision, to boost the lead to 33-3. Once again, Hughes, who is now 3-0 on the season, ending the match on a high note with an 8-0 major decision over red-shirt freshman Shawn Streck.

Hofstra will remain in the Capital Region to participate in the Journeymen Collegiate Classic on Sunday, November 12 at Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, NY. The round-robin, pool-play tournament begins at 9 a.m.

Notes

- Although this was their first meeting since 2002, Hofstra lost to Kent State for the first time in three outings. The two programs squared off in 1974 at West Point with the Pride winning, 29-11, and at the Virginia Duals in 2002, 20-16.
- The Pride dropped their fourth meeting in as many outings with the Boilermakers. It was the first encounter between the two programs since a 32-8 loss to Purdue in the 2012 Northeast Duals. They also met in 2010 (28-6) and 1997 (38-7).
- Hofstra Assistant Wrestling Coach Jake Patacsil is a Purdue alumnus, Class of 2009.

Kent State 26, Hofstra 12

- 125 Jacob Martin (HU) wins by forfeit
- 133 Anthony Tutolo (KSU) dec. Vinny Vespa (HU), 6-3
- 141 Tim Rooney (KSU) maj. dec. Connor Burkert (HU), 11-2
- 149 Nick Monico (KSU) dec. Ryan Burkert (HU), 5-3
- 157 #18 Casey Sparkman (KSU) maj. dec. Ricky Stamm (HU), 16-7
- 165 Isaac Bast (KSU) dec. Sage Heller (HU), 9-4
- 174 Dylan Barreiro (KSU) dec. Bobby Fehr (HU), 5-2
- 184 Colin McCracken (KSU) dec. Cory Damiana (HU), 6-5
- 197 Stephen Suglio (KSU) dec. Nezar Haddad (HU), 5-1
- 285 #11 Michael Hughes (HU) WBF Davin Nye (KSU), 1:22

Purdue 33, Hofstra 7

- 125 Luke Welch (PU) tech fall Jacob Martin (HU), 16-1
- 133 Ben Thornton (PU) tech fall Vinny Vespa (HU), 16-0
- 141 Nate Limmex (PU) tech fall Connor Burkert (HU), 19-4
- 149 Ryan Burkert (HU) dec. Austin Nash (PU), 2-0
- 157 Griffin Parriott (PU) dec. Ricky Stamm (HU), 6-2
- 165 Jacob Morrissey (PU) tech fall Sage Heller (HU), 16-0
- 174 Dylan Lydy (PU) dec. Bobby Fehr (HU), 8-2
- 184 Max Lyon (PU) maj. dec. Cory Damiana (HU), 11-3
- 197 #18 Christian Brunner (PU) dec. Nezar Haddad (HU), 6-3
- 285 #11 Michael Hughes (HU) maj. dec. Shawn Streck (PU), 8-0