

GRAND LEDGE WRESTLING – BLOG – SUN/Jan 30, 2011

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LESLIE OPEN complete, what a great time, definitely a lot of interesting things



going on THERE!

First off, I almost was escorted OUT, not funny, as I have never been ejected from a wrestling match. Not going to try and explain or understand what was going on between the official and myself but to say that it was very weird in having someone step right up in my face, or personal space. Never had that happen before by a referee. Just glad it worked out.

Remained all day, Anthony at the helm with me – TOTALLY organized in completing all statistics with me, just a godsent, couldn't do it without him. We even had little Brabent with us also (if spelled correctly). And, between their help and support, plus Legal and Mitchell helping us all film matches, we were again SUCCESSFUL as a team.

THANKS GUYS!

Parents sticking together, and besides the little – WEIRD incident of my own, no incidents of poor sportsmanship were recorded by us, importantly by none of our athletes. So, I am again chagrined and proud of the kids, totally. They are a lot of fun on this day as usual, although we are literally missing still TEN of our regulars, which was kind of weird.

Kids STILL reaching back, learning to tuck a “bit more” at least, but still getting always caught in the headlocks, the underhooks, and just basic halves. I pre-warned all about that at this age from our earliest of parents' meeting together, but I think people are really starting to believe how problematic and common it can be for a new/younger team, like us.

I was just so PROUD to see a few of the guys score their first POINTS to be honest, like Myca on his first takedown EARNED on all that we had practiced this week, YES! Plus, I had our one stud finally return with John Beattie, who captured a tough win too, first one that I had seen. And finally, we had newcomer – Mr. Graszler PLACE at his 1st tourney!

CONGRATULATIONS GUYS!

Our novice to advanced wrestlers all did great, and so did everyone else, goes without saying. We had one bump UP a weight class with Tommy Lear in fact, and STILL capture two wins there and wrestle SUPER TOUGH. We had Carson finally record a loss, which I couldn't believe! And, I saw Ryan Legal almost capture a True Second too!

It definitely WAS a big day for all of us, great weekend, bitter sweet that a lot of our crew was not there, but did help in such in managing who we did have in attendance none the less. Thanks so much to all parents that are always in attendance helping us all out in all ways, like COACHING with Dan, Karson's father, Mark Snauko, Jack's, and MORE, THANKS!

Extra practice now each week for the kids interested at my place on Wednesdays, 6-7:30pm for the actual training portion, possibility of more live there after against the Lansing Lions there after too! We'll see how it all works out over time as even other teams have been alerted to the possibility of training with and or against each other there.

BIG fundraiser for this Friday as we all head out to the CASINO on Friday! I will be heading out with everyone to ensure that I do my part also, although please not that it will equally be most difficult for me to fully participate like I would like because I have a match the next morning for our LCC Wrestling Club in Grand Rapids, and very early, sadly.

Next TOURNAMENT up is planned at **HOLT (Feb 6, 2011)**, for our existing Central Region for all those planning on such this next weekend. For all details, see Tish's email out this week to pre-register, and or at practice, and see my other website for all previous tournament pix and links to the kids' videos at the following:

<http://WWW.Camptisdale.com/affiction.html>

<http://WWW.Youtube.com/shanetisdale>

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/profile.php?id=1197648869>

Just need a few people's/wrestlers records to affirm from both yesterday and from before to really get our statistics – up to date for the team. Please help by coming into practice early or staying after this week if possible to review with me, and I will attempt to fill in what I know in between such. Here is what I had reported at least from yesterday and CONGRATS:

1st Place, Mitchell K., HWT
1st Place, Jack Snauko, 85lbs
1st Place, Karson Kost, 75lbs
2nd Place, Cole Janes, 67lbs
3rd Place, Ryan Legal, 71lbs
4th Place, Mr. Graszler, 119lbs

Let me know who we forgot, and I'll see you all TONIGHT at practice once more to continue to work out all those KINKS we are still noticing; maybe more video online for review or homework can help us. I know it can. Let's keep trying!

Thank you once again, very proud of the kids, really.

Coach Shane Tisdale

