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## Wrestling



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**Current record: 10-3 (1-1 Mid-American Conference)**

### BULLS SUFFER THIRD LOSS OF SEASON

Buffalo's wrestling team suffered a nail-biting 17-16 loss to the visiting Ohio Bobcats on Sunday afternoon. After trailing the entire day, UB took a 16-14 lead into the final match only to lose in overtime and wind up on the losing end. The defeat dropped UB to 10-3 overall and to 1-1 in Mid-American Conference matches.

In the afternoon's final match, Ohio heavyweight Jeremiah Beltran posted a 6-4 overtime victory over UB junior **Greg Thomas (Baldwin, NY/Uniondale)**. Tied at four after seven minutes of regulation wrestling, Beltran earned a takedown 30 seconds into the sudden-death overtime session to secure a Bobcats' win.

UB winners on the afternoon included senior **Mike Trotta (Oceanside, NY/Oceanside)** at 141 pounds, sophomore **Brian Sebaaly (Lancaster, NY/Lancaster)** at 157 pounds, senior **Ed Pawlak (Lakewood, NY/Southwestern)** at 174 pounds, sophomore **Harold Sherrell (Liverpool, NY/Liverpool)** at 184 pounds and junior **Kyle Cerminara (Lewiston, NY/Lewiston-Porter)** at 197 pounds.

### STATISTICAL LEADERS

Pawlak leads UB with 31 overall wins... Buffalo's leader in dual meet victories is Cerminara with 12 - he also leads the team with 41 dual meet takedowns and eight dual meet riding time points... Freshman 125-pounder **Mark McKnight (McDonald, PA/South Fayette)** leads the Bulls with four dual meet falls... Sophomore **Garrett Hicks (Chautauqua, NY/Chautauqua Lake)** - who wrestles at 184 pounds - leads UB with nine dual meet reversals and 21 dual meet escapes.

### CENTRAL MICHIGAN UP NEXT

Buffalo returns to action next week with another MAC home match. The Central Michigan Chippewas - who are ranked 17<sup>th</sup> nationally in the latest National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA) Top 25 Poll - will visit Alumni Arena at 7 pm on Saturday.

### 2003-04 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

#### November

Sat., 15	Oklahoma Gold Classic	5 <sup>th</sup> /9
<b>Tue., 18</b>	<b>BINGHAMTON</b>	<b>W, 24-13</b>
Sat., 22	vs. Findlay (at Bloomsburg) at Bloomsburg	W, 22-12 W, 21-13
Sat., 29	Mat Town USA Invitational (at Lock Haven)	7 <sup>th</sup> /11

#### December

Sun., 7	at Kent State*	W, 21-13
Sun., 7	vs. Mount Union (at Kent State)	W, 39-6
Sun., 14	<i>Northeast Duals (at Albany, NY)</i> vs. James Madison	W, 41-3
	vs. East Stroudsburg	W, 33-9
	vs. Sacred Heart	W, 25-10
Fri., 19	Beast of the East Classic (at Delaware)	5 <sup>th</sup> /20

#### January

Sat., 3	<i>Buckeye Duals (at Ohio State)</i> vs. Lehigh	L, 6-32
	vs. Eastern Illinois	W, 25-14
	vs. Indiana	L, 8-27
<b>Sat., 10</b>	<b>CLARION</b>	<b>W, 19-17</b>
Fri.-Sat., 23-24	NYS Championships (at Nassau CC)	2 <sup>nd</sup> /19

#### February

<b>Sun., 1</b>	<b>OHIO*</b>	<b>L, 16-17</b>
<b>Sat., 7</b>	<b>CENTRAL MICHIGAN*</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>
Tue., 10	at Slippery Rock	7:00 pm
<b>Sun., 22</b>	<b>NORTHERN ILLINOIS*</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>
	<b>EASTERN MICHIGAN*</b>	<b>2:00 pm</b>

#### March

Sat.-Sun., 6-7	MAC Championships	1:00 pm
Thur.-Sat., 18-20	NCAA Championships	All Day

\* = Mid-American Conference matches

Home matches in **BOLD CAPS** held at Alumni Arena