Wildcats finish third at home tournament

Louisburg senior Alec Younggren locks his opponent up for a pin Saturday at the Wildcat Invitational. Younggren was 5-0 on the day and earned all-tournament honors.

It was a chance for the Louisburg wrestling team to show off for their home fans, at least who were able to attend due to COVID restrictions.

So for Louisburg, the Wildcat Invitational gave them the opportunity to do just that as the Wildcats competed in the 8-team dual format tournament.

The Wildcats made it to the championship bracket, but fell to state-ranked Eudora in the semifinals. Still, Louisburg was able to bounce back to defeat Anderson County, 51-27, to take third overall.

Louisburg, which finished with a 3-2 dual record on the day, also had two wrestlers earn all-tournament honors. Seniors Cade Holtzen (132 pounds) and Alec Younggren (220) each finished with a 5-0 record.

Cade Holtzen was 5-0 on Saturday during the Wildcat Invitational and earned all-tournament honors at 132 pounds.

Holtzen had four pins on the day and Younggren finished with two. Younggren is currently 17-0 and ranked No. 2 in 4A at 220 pounds, while Holtzen is ranked No. 5 in 4A.

The Wildcats opened the tournament with three duals in pool action. Louisburg began with a convincing 60-18 victory over Royal Valley and then downed Girard, 54-18.

That set up an important match against Turner. The Golden Bears jumped out to a 15-0 lead, but the Wildcats won the next three on forfeits.

Turner held a 12-point advantage going into the final two matches, but Younggren recorded a first period pin and heavyweight Elijah Eslinger won by forfeit that finished with a 36-all tie.

The Golden Bears won the tiebreaker based on the number of matches won and that sent the Wildcats to the championship bracket to face state-ranked Eudora.

Eudora went on to defeat the Wildcats, 45-36, but Louisburg responded with a win over Anderson County.

Sophomore Kaven Bartlett had a good day at 126 pounds with a 4-1 record as did freshman Traden Noll (138). Senior Jarrett Hoyle (145), Junior Aiden Barker (182) and Eslinger (285) also finished the day with four victories.

Junior Aiden Barker finished Saturday's tournament with a 4-1 record.

Louisburg is back in action tonight when it hosts Paola and Ottawa for a pair of Frontier League duals. Matches begin at 5 p.m.

106 Results

Noah Cotter of Louisburg went 3-2

- 106 – Colby Cross (Turner) over Noah Cotter (Louisburg) Fall 1:07
- 106 – Russell Smith (Eudora) over Noah Cotter (Louisburg) Dec 8-4
- 106 – Noah Cotter (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 106 – Noah Cotter (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 106 – Noah Cotter (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf

126 Results

Kaven Bartlett of Louisburg went 4-1

- 126 – Nicky Gutierrez (Turner) over Kaven Bartlett (Louisburg) Dec 3-1
- 126 – Kaven Bartlett (Louisburg) over Braden Hayes (Eudora) Fall 1:16
- 126 – Kaven Bartlett (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 126 – Kaven Bartlett (Louisburg) over Brayden Hermreck (Anderson County) Fall 1:40
- 126 – Kaven Bartlett (Louisburg) over Beau Harris (Girard) Fall 5:12

132 Results

Cade Holtzen of Louisburg went 5-0

- 132 – Cade Holtzen (Louisburg) over Quinton Nelson (Royal Valley) Fall 1:46
- 132 – Cade Holtzen (Louisburg) over Carter Sommer (Anderson County) Fall 2:42
- 132 – Cade Holtzen (Louisburg) over Bryer Glaser

(Girard) Fall 3:15

- 132 – Cade Holtzen (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 132 – Cade Holtzen (Louisburg) over Joe Faircloth (Eudora) Fall 1:42

138 Results

Traden Noll of Louisburg went 4-1

- 138 – Traden Noll (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 138 – Cael Lynch (Eudora) over Traden Noll (Louisburg) Fall 1:42
- 138 – Traden Noll (Louisburg) over Kyle Riley (Royal Valley) Fall 2:33
- 138 – Traden Noll (Louisburg) over Colten Wittman (Anderson County) Dec 6-4
- 138 – Traden Noll (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf

145 Results

Jarrett Hoyle of Louisburg went 4-1

- 152 – Jarrett Hoyle (Louisburg) over Chase Emery (Royal Valley) Fall 0:00
- 145 – John Wright (Anderson County) over Jarrett Hoyle (Louisburg) Fall 0:52
- 145 – Jarrett Hoyle (Louisburg) over Connor Olivera (Girard) Fall 2:00
- 145 – Jarrett Hoyle (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 145 – Jarrett Hoyle (Louisburg) over Mason Cox (Eudora) Fall 1:29

152 Results

Jesse Murphy of Louisburg went 0-4

- 152 — Will Schreiner (Eudora) over Jesse Murphy (Louisburg) Fall 1:45
- 152 — Ashton Miller (Anderson County) over Jesse Murphy (Louisburg) Fall 0:19
- 152 — Christian Taylor (Girard) over Jesse Murphy (Louisburg) Fall 1:40
- 152 — Bryon Kirkwood (Turner) over Jesse Murphy (Louisburg) Fall 1:48

160 Results

Brett Rangel of Louisburg went 2-3

- 160 — Brett Rangel (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 160 — Jarrett Buckle (Girard) over Brett Rangel (Louisburg) Fall 2:27
- 160 — Raymond Carrillo (Turner) over Brett Rangel (Louisburg) Fall 0:59
- 160 — Dayton Fraser (Eudora) over Brett Rangel (Louisburg) Fall 1:33
- 160 — Brett Rangel (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf

170 Results

Jacob Briley of Louisburg went 2-3

- 170 — Dakota Whitaker (Eudora) over Jacob Briley (Louisburg) Fall 1:42
- 170 — Jacob Briley (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 170 — Tyler Denny (Anderson County) over Jacob Briley (Louisburg) Dec 6-3
- 170 — Gabe Shireman (Girard) over Jacob Briley (Louisburg) Fall 2:44
- 170 — Jacob Briley (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf

182 Results

Aiden Barker of Louisburg went 4-1

- 182 — Aiden Barker (Louisburg) over Ruben Tinajero (Royal Valley) Fall 0:35
- 182 — Aiden Barker (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 182 — Aiden Barker (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 182 — Cameron Robinson (Turner) over Aiden Barker (Louisburg) Fall 2:47
- 182 — Aiden Barker (Louisburg) over Nate Criqui (Eudora) Fall 3:08

195 Results

Johnathan Keegan-Childs of Louisburg went 3-2

- 195 — Aaron Hicks (Eudora) over Johnathan Keegan-Childs (Louisburg) Fall 1:00
- 195 — Johnathan Keegan-Childs (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 195 — Johnathan Keegan-Childs (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 195 — Johnathan Keegan-Childs (Louisburg) over Josh Boore (Girard) Fall 2:22
- 195 — Tyler Phillips (Turner) over Johnathan Keegan-Childs (Louisburg) Dec 14-10

220 Results

Alec Younggren of Louisburg went 5-0

- 220 — Alec Younggren (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 220 — Alec Younggren (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 220 — Alec Younggren (Louisburg) over Unknown

(Unattached) Forf
- 220 — Alec Younggren (Louisburg) over Arrick Williamson (Girard) Fall 1:23
- 220 — Alec Younggren (Louisburg) over Mechia Marks (Turner) Fall 1:14

285 Results

Elijah Eslinger of Louisburg went 4-1

- 285 — Ashton Wood (Royal Valley) over Elijah Eslinger (Louisburg) Fall 5:55
- 285 — Elijah Eslinger (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 285 — Elijah Eslinger (Louisburg) over Dee Wideman (Girard) Fall 1:53
- 285 — Elijah Eslinger (Louisburg) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf
- 285 — Elijah Eslinger (Louisburg) over Branden Gregory (Eudora) Fall 1:06