

ARGOS CAPTURE SECOND AT NATIONAL DUALS

SPRINGFIELD, III. – The University of Great Falls Wrestling Team new that they went into the 2012 National Wrestling Duals with a big target on their backs. The Argos, ranked number one, wrestled their way into the Championship by beating Oklahoma City 21-16 in the morning bout.

In the Championship the Vikings of Grand View, Iowa, ranked number two, had the Argos clearly in their sights. “Grand View out wrestled us in the third period.” Head Coach Caleb Scheaffer said after the Argos fell 31-7 to the Vikings to take second in that National Duals.

“It is not where we wanted to finish but all in all a really great weekend.” Scheaffer added. The Argonauts have finished second only one other time, during Coach Schaeffer’s first year as Head Coach.

“There are a lot of team that would like to be where we are right now.” Scheaffer commented. In the semifinal round Kamron Jackson pinned Mitchell Eichenauer in 1:51 to lead the Argos to a 21-16 win and a second trip to the finals.

In the finals the Argos won only two matches as Danny Luttrell beat Alex Peitz via an 11-3 Major Decision (125) and Anthony Varnell beat Nick Coffman by a 3-2 Decision. The remaining eight matches fell in favor of Grand View as Brad Lower and Andrew Pontikes paced the Viking attack with pins over Noah Hatton and Brock Picard.

“We realize we need to get better.” Scheaffer concluded. The Argos travel back home and hit the gym as they prepare for a January 13th meet at Northwest Wyoming and a January 18th rematch in Great Falls at 6 pm.

Semifinal and final match results are below. For complete results please visit the wrestling page of the UGF Athletics web site.

2012 NAIA National Wrestling Duals Semifinal & Final Matches (Day 2)

Match #3 Semifinal: Great Falls defeated Oklahoma City 21-16

- 125 - Kidd Gomez (Oklahoma City) over Danny Luttrell (Great Falls) Dec 7-6
- 133 - Scott Schlosser (Great Falls) over Matt Kennedy (Oklahoma City) Maj 12-0
- 141 - Myles Mazurkiewicz (Great Falls) over Eric Waggoner (Oklahoma City) Maj 12-3
- 149 - Mike Vassar (Great Falls) over Will Delk (Oklahoma City) Maj 16-5
- 157 - Nikolas Turner (Oklahoma City) over Michael Hader (Great Falls) Dec 10-4
- 165 - Kevin Hardy (Oklahoma City) over Ryan Leonard (Great Falls) Maj 8-0
- 174 - Derek Peperas (Oklahoma City) over Noah Hatton (Great Falls) Dec 6-3
- 184 - Andrew Pontikes (Oklahoma City) over Brock Picard (Great Falls) Dec 7-3
- 197 - Kamron Jackson (Great Falls) over Mitchell Eichenauer (Oklahoma City) Pin 1:51
- 285 - Sears Tiernan (Great Falls) over Mike Brown (Oklahoma City) OT 10-8

Match #4 1st Place Match: Grand View defeated Great Falls 31-7

- 125 - Danny Luttrell (Great Falls) over Alex Peitz (Grand View) Maj 11-3
- 133 - Travis Evans (Grand View) over Scott Schlosser (Great Falls) Dec 5-2
- 141 - Anthony Varnell (Great Falls) over Nick Coffman (Grand View) Dec 3-2
- 149 - TJ Moen (Grand View) over Mike Vassar (Great Falls) Dec 7-3
- 157 - Jimmie Schuessler (Grand View) over Michael Hader (Great Falls) Dec 6-2
- 165 - Brad Lower (Grand View) over Noah Hatton (Great Falls) Pin 6:12
- 174 - Ty Knowler (Grand View) over Shawn Lau (Great Falls) Dec 2-0
- 184 - Cody Swim (Grand View) over Brock Picard (Great Falls) Maj 10-2
- 197 - Derek Nightser (Grand View) over Levi Morgan (Great Falls) Pin 0:32
- 285 - Eric Thompson (Grand View) over Sears Tiernan (Great Falls) Dec 13-12