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STRONG FRESHMAN CLASS MAY BE KEY FOR DUCKS!

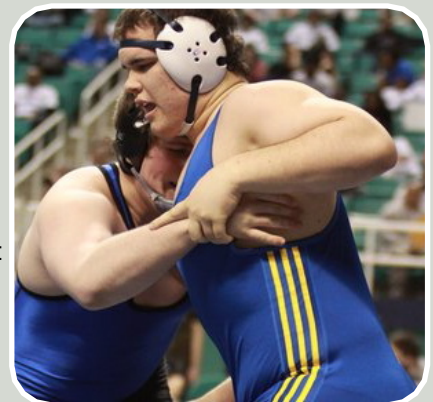
A strong group of freshmen will be a big part of the equation for the Ducks this season, here are some key newcomers to the team and how they may fit into the line-up for 2011-12.

A strong freshman class will hit the mats with the team on October 10th for the start of the 2011-12 season. The class includes several highly touted student-athletes including 2x high school All-American heavyweight, Tyler Maher (photo right). Tyler was a state runner-up in NC this past season and has also placed multiple times at the prestigious Super 32 tournament. Joining Tyler are the first set of twins to lace up for the Ducks, Conner and Zach Bass (Westhampton Beach, NY). Conner and Zach also bring impressive credentials to Hoboken. Both are

Damian Murberg (174), Alex Moreno (184) and Chris Florek (197). “I’m excited that this recruiting class has some outstanding talent but

we also brought in a very evenly balanced group of guys across the weight classes.

This will be a key in long term development of our program,” said Coach Clayton. “Our staff is excited to start working with these guys



and prepare them for the tests to come!” You can see the Ducks in action as they prepare for their home opener on Sunday, November 6th in historic Walker Gym! For the full schedule, visit: www.StevensDucks.edu



slated to be impact players at 141 and 149. Other standout freshmen include: Anthony Geiger (125), Mike Polizzi (133), Dave Santos (141), Jon Endrikat (141), Jake Odell (157), Mike Otsuka (165),

DUCK TRAINS WITH HAWKEYE CLUB

Joey Favia, Spent 2010-11 in Iowa City

Stevens co-captain, Joey Favia (Jr/165) is a very goal driven individual. Joey earned a trip to the NCAA Tournament for the Ducks in the 2009-10 season and was one round from All-American honors. But, that didn't set well with Joey. His goals were not to just quality or stand on the podium at NCAA's, he wants to stand on top!

Former Stevens assistant coach, Danny Song (now the strength coach at the University of Iowa) helped Joey link in to a spot on the Hawkeye Wrestling Club. The club is a separate entity from the college team so Joey didn't loose any eligibility and was able to take part time classes that transferred back to Stevens.

Now that he is back in Hoboken, he is excited to put the past year of training to the test! Joey and the Ducks will open the season on Sunday, November 6th at home!

Clayton Coaches Pan Am to GOLD!

Stevens Head Coach Mike Clayton and Northwestern University's Head Coach, Drew Pariano, assembled the US FILA Cadet Pan Am Team in Aurora, IL in July to compete in Campeche, Mexico. The elite coaching staff prepared two-a-day workouts for the team that included Freestyle and Greco training as well as team-building techniques and mental training.

The tremendous cultural experiences, the ability to coach and compete at the

international level and most importantly the pride in representing the USA in competition was felt by each team member and allowed the team to bond quickly into a very strong unit.

"Our Greco team started a bit slow in Friday's morning session but we really rallied to earn eight medals, including four golds and the team title. For many of our guys, this was their first taste of international competition. As they became more comfortable with the environment they really started to tear guys up," said Clayton.

The men's freestyle and Greco-Roman teams dominated the Cadet Pan Am Competition by bringing home 17 of a possible 20 medals in the two-day event. In total, the U.S. Contingent hauled in nine gold medals (four in Greco-Roman and five in freestyle).

Team Leader, Brian Giffin of Beat the Streets Chicago said, "The Cadet program is a vital part of the development of our nation's top wrestlers. This trip to Pan Am's



165 pounder
Joey Favia

was a strong step to helping us prepare tomorrow's Olympic and World Champions for their journey."

Summer Internships

Several wrestlers spent the summer working for high end companies as they prepare their resumes for the career world. The companies represented include:

Goldman-Sachs, Merck, G.X. Clarke, Ogilvy Commonwealth Worldwide, Kreisler Industrial Corp., Integrated Microwave Technologies (IMT),

All of our co-op and internship opportunities help give Stevens the edge!

Please consider starting a regular tax deductible contribution to Stevens Wrestling to help us expand our margin of excellence. Gifts help us provide world-class opportunities to our team. You can even use your credit card! Call Coach Clayton for more info at 862.754.2743 or email MClayton@Stevens.edu. Thanks!

Coaches Quote:

There ain't no free lunches in this country. And don't go spending your whole life commiserating that you got raw deals. You've got to say, "I think that if I keep working at this and want it bad enough I can have it." --Lee Iacocca

HOME MATCHES

November 2011

5 FALL WRESTLING CLINIC
6, Sun BSU & RIC - 1 pm
16, Wed Yeshiva - 7 pm
30, Wed Hunter - 7 pm

December 2011

9, Fri NYU - 7 pm Alumni Night

January 2012

18, Wed E-town 7:30 pm

February 2012

15, Wed USMMA - 7:30 pm

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