

# The UCONN Wrestling Club

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## The St Bernard School

are hosting

The 9th Annual

# “Husky Howl!!!”



**Location:** St Bernard High School

**Address:** 1593 Norwich New London Tpke. Uncasville, CT  
06382

**Date:** Sunday February 4th, 2018

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<i>Division-</i>	<i>Age Categories, Check in Times,</i>	<i>Start Times,</i>	<i>Period Length :</i>
	<i>A minimum of 20 minutes must be allowed - between matches, unless a shorter time is agreed to by the coaches.</i>		
<i>Mighty Mites</i>	<i>(2012-2013) 7:45 – 8:30</i>	<i>9 AM</i>	<i>1-1-1</i>
<i>Bantam</i>	<i>(2010-2011) 7:45 – 8:30</i>	<i>9 AM</i>	<i>1-1-1</i>
<i>Intermediate</i>	<i>(2008-2009) 7:45 – 8:30</i>	<i>9 AM</i>	<i>1-1-1</i>
<i>Novice (2006-2007)</i>	<i>11:15 – 12:00</i>	<i>12:30 PM</i>	<i>1.5-1-1</i>
<i>Middle School (2003-2005) &amp; in not in High School</i>	<i>11:15 – 12:00</i>	<i>12:30 PM</i>	<i>1.5-1-1</i>

*All wrestlers will be grouped by both age category and weight into 4 or 5 man brackets.  
Each wrestler will wrestle one-another giving each wrestler a total of 3 or 4 matches.  
Round Robin format will be used. There are many advantages to this format.*

*Brackets for female wrestlers will be made by contacting the Tournament Director.*

Novice and Middle School females brackets will wrestle in the morning session and Mighty Mites, Bantam and Intermediate female brackets will wrestle in the afternoon session. A female may wrestle in both the Coed and Female brackets and will not be charged an extra fee.

Technical Falls will occur when a 12 point margin is achieved, this rule applies in all age groups

NOTICE: Head Gear will be required for all age groups, as this is a USA Wrestling rule.

ALL WRESTLERS WITH BRACES ON THEIR TEETH MUST HAVE PROTECTIVE MOUTH GUARDS.

Please trim wrestler's nails to avoid injuries.

**Pre-registered Registration:** Only sanctioned USA Clubs may submit tournament registrations. Wrestlers who are not attached to a sanctioned club are requested to contact the nearest sanctioned club to register or the Tournament Director.

**Out-of-state wrestlers** may pre-register by contacting the Tournament Director, with the condition that they follow all the same rules that USAWCT Clubs follow.

Out-of state wrestlers must be part of a club that has signed an agreement to follow our tournament rules and the club has provided the State Membership Director a copy of their Wrestlers USA cards. USAWCT and out of state clubs must register online by clicking on the following: <http://www.usawct.org/tourny/clubmanagement.php> and completing the necessary information and submitting the information to the Tournament Director no later 10pm the Friday before the tournament. There is no guideline on how early a registration may be sent. The Tournament Director will reply to your email confirming receipt of your registration.

All registrations must be accompanied with a valid USA Wrestling card number for each listed wrestler. Last minute USA Wrestling cards and/or numbers may be acquired by contacting their Club Director, who must make arrangements with the Membership Director **prior to the Wednesday before the tournament.**

**Pre-registered wrestlers who do not show up for the tournament will be charged the full registration fee.** Each Club's Director or designated person for that club will check in with the Tournament Director, inform the Director of any known **NO SHOW** wrestlers and pay for their team's entry. Note: There are no refunds for no-shows — each club is responsible for full payment.

All wrestlers must check in by the end of the Skin Check-in time period to verify they do not have any contagious skin conditions. Wrestlers will not be admitted into the tournament if they are not checked in on time.

It is the responsibility of the Club Directors, or the designated person for that club, to check with the head person running the Skin Check in area to see if any of their wrestlers have not checked in by 8:30am for the morning session and 12:15 am for the afternoon session.

**WEIGH-INS:** Wrestlers are permitted to only register and wrestle in one (1) bracket regardless of staying within their own age group or not. Any wrestler that violates the three (3) pound allowance will be disqualified and removed from that tournament, if the Tournament Director believes that

there was a typo error, the wrestler can be re-bracketed. In addition, any wrestler disqualified as a result of violating the three (3) pound allowance will be reported to the State Chairman and that wrestler is to be identified (Flagged) on the web site and must be weighed in at every subsequent tournament to verify their weight. Weight challenges during a tournament are performed at the Tournament Director's discretion. When a wrestler's weight is challenged by another wrestler (Coach or Parent), then the challenging wrestler will also be weighed. Weight challenges during a tournament are performed at the Tournament Director's discretion.

**The Tournament Director must notify Dave Kanute (d.kanute@cox.net) within 2 days of any weight issues or challenges.**

When weighing-in, each wrestler must weigh-in wearing a competition singlet or shorts. The submitting club is responsible for this fee to be paid the morning of the tournament along with all the other registered wrestlers on the registration form.

**REGISTRATION FEES:** 1st wrestler in the family \$20; 2nd wrestler \$14; 3rd wrestler \$8; 4th or will not be charged.

**SPECTATOR ADMISSION:** \$3.00 admission fee /Free age 12 and under, or if you hold a current USA Coaches card

**The Code of Conduct will be strictly enforced.**

**Coach and Spectator Conduct:** *This code of conduct has been established to ensure that there is a defined method for the handling of unacceptable conduct by coaches at USAWCT sanctioned wrestling events. The responsibility of the assigned officials and the USAWCT Board of Directors is described in the document posted on the website (www.usawct.org)*

**For directions please Mapquest the above listed address:**

**The St Bernard School 1593 Norwich-New London Tpke**

**Uncasville, CT 06382**

**\*\* Full Concession stand will be available all day \*\***

This years event is again sponsored by the St Bernard School of Uncasville, CT and the UCONN Wrestling Club. It is run to raise funds to help re-establish college wrestling at the University of Connecticut and in our state. The initial goal of the organizers was to raise \$15,000 to purchase a new wrestling mat for the club and to help defray the costs of

running a college wrestling program. *The goal of purchasing a mat has been accomplished in 2012 with the help of a sizable donation from Mr. Brian Simons of OEM Controls of Shelton, CT . Mr. Simons wrestled on the first UCONN wrestling team and was elected team captain in 1960.*

## *To date the “Husky Howl has raised over \$55,050*

USAW-CT represents about 3000 member/athletes and additional 1000 coach/referee members. They are the largest wrestling body in the State of Connecticut and have chosen to be the leader responsible for promoting the sport of amateur wrestling. We would like to see, that all children who are training today, have an opportunity to wrestle in our state when they enter college.

In the early 1970's our state had wrestling programs at most major colleges including: the **Coast Guard Academy, Yale University, University of Hartford, Wesleyan, Trinity, Fairfield University, Southern Connecticut State College, Central Connecticut State College and the University of Connecticut.** In the past four decades, we have lost more than one-half - (½) of those program for various reasons. **Yale, University of Hartford, Fairfield University, Southern Connecticut, Central Connecticut and UCONN** no longer have NCAA wrestling teams. UCONN has a club. USAW-CT has received request from wrestlers interested in starting clubs at **Central Connecticut State University, and from Manchester and Three Rivers Community Colleges.** *USAW-CT would like to see more wrestlers stay in state to wrestle in college.*

It is a well known fact that the best of our wrestlers have gone out of state to wrestle. **TJ Hepburn of Ledyard (2007)**, a three- (3) time State Open Champ and two- (2) time New England Wrestling Champion, placed 1st at the Division II Nationals in 2011, as a wrestler from The University of Nebraska. **Frank Camissa of Danbury** a two- (2) time State Open Champ, won College Division III - New England - Wrestling titles while wrestling for Bridgewater State of Massachusetts. **Brennan Ward (2006) of Waterford** wrestled for Johnson & Wales of Rhode Island. In 2010 he placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Division III National Wrestling Championships. **Brock Coutu (2008) of Griswold** competed at the University of Nebraska - Kearney.

Others who have wrestled out of state are: *Richard Perry* - Bloomsburg State; *Ben Rogers, Ryan Butler, Matt Elias, Kyle Foster, Matt Jones* and *Drew Pichnarcik* - Roger Williams College of Rhode Island; *Brian Amato, Dylan Martel* and *Brian Jennings* at WPI of Mass, *Jake O'Dell* at Stevens University, *Curt Watkins* at Ursinus, *Aren Norman* Tiffin University, *Jack McKeever* of Binghamton, NY; *Pat Gillen* at University of Virginia; *Tyler Cunningham, Mike Sheehan* and *Eddie Carroll* at Gettysburg State; *Connor Kirkegard* at Delaware Valley; *Mikey Amorando* at North Carolina State.

Presently this year *Kevin Jack (2014)* of Danbury is ranked in the country while wrestling for North Carolina State. *Emmett Licastri (2016)*, from Joel Barlow presently is wrestling for Franklin Marshall and *Chase Lind* of Fairfield Ludowe, wrestles for WPI in Massachusetts

So far the the St Bernard School has offered the use of the St Bernard School gymnasium and The UCONN Wrestling team will be volunteering to work the tables and for the 9<sup>th</sup> year, Mr. Michael Battanelli Sr. of the Stamford, CT has volunteered to be our Medical Trainer.

Unfortunately only eight-(8) Connecticut High School graduates are wrestling in college in Connecticut. They are **Austin Abacherli (2017)** from Southington HS and **Shaun Williams (2017)** from Danbury HS at Sacred Heart University; **Arfan Ali (2017)** Manchester HS, **Kasim Khan (2017)** Fairfield Prep, **Krzystof Nirelsk (2015)** Bristol Central HS, **Zach Murillo (2015)** Southington HS at Trinity and **Pat Moynihan (2017)** from Portland and **Mason Pagan (2017)** from East Lyme HS at the United States Coast Guard Academy.

### **Intent**

To bring the sport of wrestling back to our state colleges we need the support of local businesses. Therefore we are looking for businesses and individuals who would be interested helping this cause by sponsoring a table at this year's event. The cost of sponsoring a table is \$250.00. We are also looking for an entity interested in being the major Blue and White Sponsor. The cost to be the major sponsor this year is \$2,500.00 and will not only get you recognition at the event, but also at our Annual Youth State Wrestling Championships to be held in late February 2014 in New Haven, CT and Honorable Mention on the main page of the USAW-CT web site.

For more information regarding participation in/or sponsorship of this event please contact **Tournament Director: John Satti - 27 Woodlawn Rd New London, CT or via e-mail at [jsatti@snet.net](mailto:jsatti@snet.net) or by calling his cell (860) 287-0526.**