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Tigers roll past No. 21 Central Michigan and (RV) Wyoming Friday

COLUMBIA, Mo. – No. 10 Mizzou Wrestling (5-0, 1-0 MAC) improved to 5-0 on the season after winning its first two home contests of the season. The Tigers defeated No. 21 Central Michigan, 30-6, to start off their Mid-American Conference season at 1-0. Mizzou finished the night with a 29-3 win over (RV) Wyoming.

Head Coach **Brian Smith** put another exclamation point on his historic career at the helm of Mizzou, earning career win No. 300 in his 23 seasons with the Tigers.

Mizzou recorded nine wins over ranked opponents, including two victories over top-10 opponents. Redshirt junior **Allan Hart** defeated Central Michigan's No. 9 Dresden Simon by a 4-2 decision and redshirt sophomore **Zach Elam** defeated Wyoming's No. 9 Brian Andrews by a 2-0 decision.

Redshirt junior **Matt Schmitt** went 2-0 on the day, including a victory by major decision over Central Michigan's No. 14 Andrew Marten. Redshirt sophomore **Jeremiah Kent** also had dominating performances, winning his first match of the night by fall, followed by a win over Wyoming's No. 19 Tate Samuelson in his second match.

Freshman **Rocky Elam** earned his first career wins, with victories over Central Michigan's No. 26 Landon Pelham and Wyoming's No. 14 Stephen Buchanan. Freshman **Keegan O'Toole** also recorded his first career triumphs in the Hearn Center, including a win by 21-5 technical fall over the Chippewas' Alex Cramer.

The Tigers also won 10 extra matches against both Central Michigan and Wyoming while the traditional duals took place.

Hear From Head Coach Brian Smith

On earning career win No. 300 at the helm of Mizzou...

"I've had some really good young men wrestle for me. I think of the support we've had from the fanbase. All the great administration at Mizzou that has been with me for these 23 years. I've been able to raise my family here and work for a great institution. I'm really blessed. When people say 'Coach Smith has 300 wins.' it's not. It takes a great organization to do something like this. There are

... Coach Smith has been a huge help. It's nice to have a great organization to do something like this and there are so many great people that have helped me. From assistant coaches, to director of operations, to strength coaches. I've been really blessed."

Hear From 157-Pound Junior Jarrett Jacques

On finally returning and competing inside Hearn's again...

"It was a lot of fun. We were all pretty excited to compete again, whether it's at home or away. It obviously feels better to be at home and have your fans here. It's comfortable to be in this atmosphere. I'm excited for more to come."

Hear From 149-Pound Junior Brock Mauller

On Coach Smith earning his 300th career win at Mizzou...

"It's great. For him as a coach and being here so long, he has done great things. I'm just happy to be wrestling for him."

No. 10 Mizzou over No. 21 Central Michigan, 30-6

125: (CM) No. 3 Drew Hildenbrandt over (MIZ) No. 18 Connor Brown by 7-5 decision (SV)
133: (MIZ) No. 13 Matt Schmitt over (CM) No. 14 Andrew Marten by 11-1 major decision
141: (MIZ) No. 14 Allan Hart over (CM) No. 9 Dresden Simon by 4-2 decision
149: (MIZ) No. 3 Brock Mauller over (CM) Corbyn Munson by 5-3 decision
157: (MIZ) No. 13 Jarrett Jacques over (CM) Johnny Lovett by 8-3 decision
165: (MIZ) Keegan O'Toole over (CM) Alex Cramer by 21-5 technical fall (6:05)
174: (MIZ) No. 16 Peyton Mocco over (CM) Jake Lowell by 8-4 decision
184: (MIZ) No. 20 Jeremiah Kent over (CM) Ben Cushman by fall (4:26)
197: (MIZ) Rocky Elam over (CM) No. 26 Landon Pelham by 7-3 decision
HWT: (CM) No. 4 Matt Stencel over (MIZ) No. 7 Zach Elam by 4-1 decision

No. 10 Mizzou over (RV) Wyoming, 29-3

125: (MIZ) No. 18 Connor Brown over (WY) Brendon Garcia by 9-3 decision
133: (MIZ) No. 13 Matt Schmitt over (WY) Jacob Greenwood by 4-1 decision
141: (MIZ) No. 14 Allan Hart over (WY) Darren Green by 8-4 decision
149: (MIZ) No. 3 Brock Mauller over (WY) No. 31 Jaron Jensen by 10-3 decision
157: (MIZ) No. 13 Jarrett Jacques over (WY) No. 17 Jacob Wright by 3-1 decision
165: (MIZ) Keegan O'Toole over (WY) No. 32 Cole Moody by 12-6 decision
174: (WY) No. 13 Hayden Hastings over (MIZ) No. 24 Sean Harman by 6-1 decision
184: (MIZ) No. 20 Jeremiah Kent over (WY) No. 19 Tate Samuelson by 6-4 decision
197: (MIZ) Rocky Elam over (WY) No. 14 Stephen Buchanan by injury default (5:17)
HWT: (MIZ) No. 7 Zach Elam over (WY) No. 9 Brian Andrews by 2-0 decision

**at 125, MIZ's Brown called for unsportsmanlike conduct, team negated 1 point*

Extra Matches

141: (MIZ) Josh Edmond over (WY) Darren Green by 3-1 decision
149: (CM) Macintyre Breece over (MIZ) Precious Essien by fall (2:17)
165: (WY) Cole Moody over (MIZ) Martell Boone by 13-2 major decision
125: (WY) Brendon Garcia over (MIZ) Noah Surtin by 13-6 decision
133: (CM) Brock Bergelin over (MIZ) Cameron Valdiviez by fall (5:48)
157: (WY) Jacob Wright over (MIZ) Mitchell Bohlken by 12-3 major decision
149: (MIZ) Josh Edmond over (WY) Jaron Jensen by 8-5 decision

165: (MIZ) Martell Boone over (CM) Bret Fedewa by 8-6 decision
174: (WY) Hayden Hastings over (MIZ) Sean Harman by 7-0 decision
184: (MIZ) Colton Hawks over (WY) Tate Samuelson by 4-3 decision (SV2)
197: (MIZ) Wyatt Koelling over (WY) Tucker Tomlinson by 16-0 technical fall (2:15)
149: (MIZ) Josh Edmond over (CM) Mason Breece by 7-6 decision
174: (MIZ) Sean Harman over (WY) Gage Hockett by 6-2 decision
184: (MIZ) Colton Hawks over (CM) Sage Castillo by 10-0 major decision
197: (MIZ) Wyatt Koelling over (CM) Aaron Bolo by fall (2:06)
HWT: (MIZ) Seth Nitzel over (CM) Cade Dallwitz by 2-0 decision
133: (WY) Jake Svihel over (MIZ) Cameron Valdiviez by 18-10 major decision

#TigerStyle Takeaways

- Mizou's win over Central Michigan marked its 23rd consecutive MAC dual victory
- Mizou improved to 9-4-1 all-time against Central Michigan and 6-2 all-time against Wyoming following Friday evening's victories
- The Tigers have now won their home-opening dual every season since 2008

Up Next

Mizzou will head to Ames, Iowa, next Sunday (Jan. 17) to take on three nationally ranked opponents. The Tigers will face No. 9 Iowa State, No. 23 Northern Iowa and No. 11 Arizona State starting at 2 p.m. CT.

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