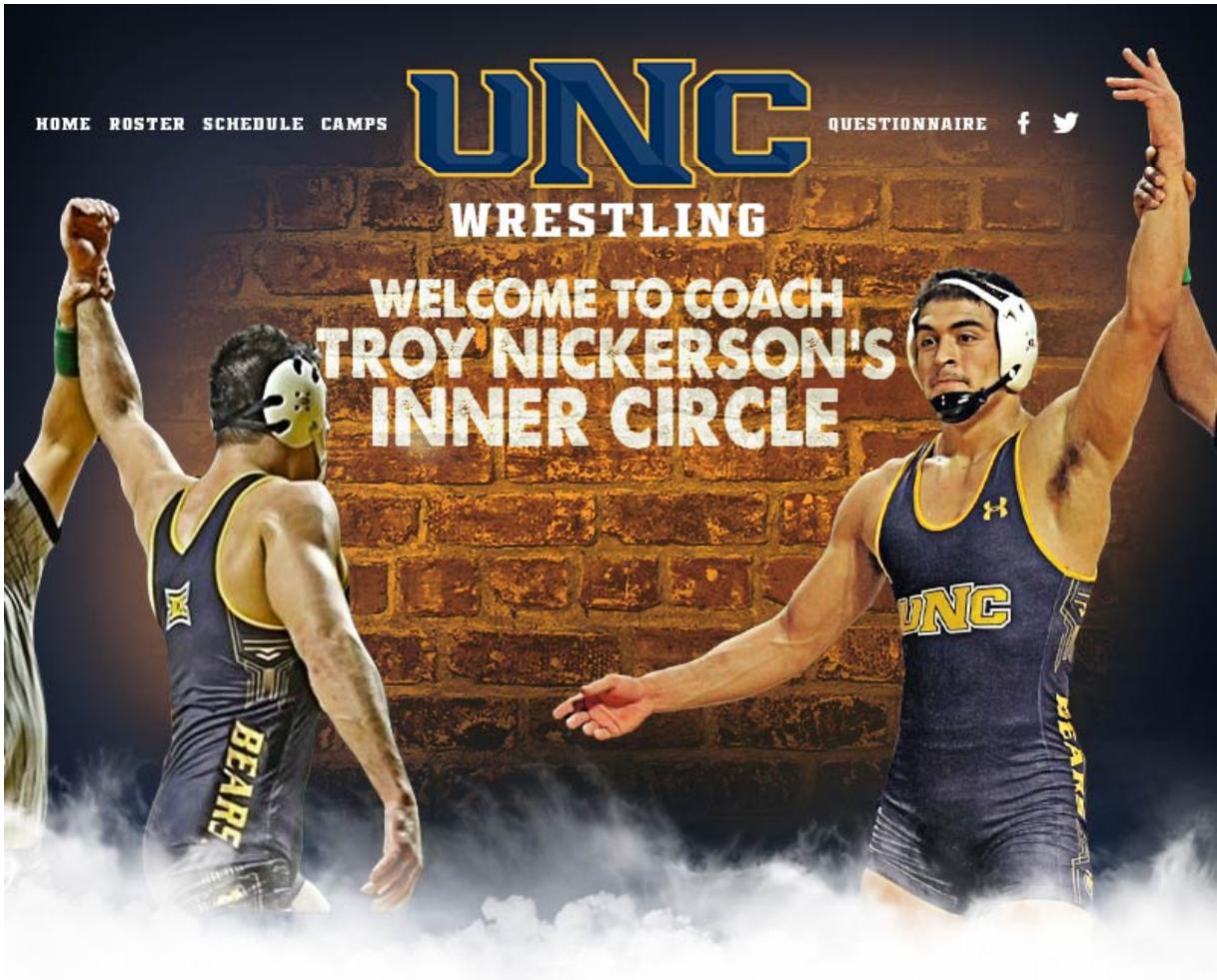


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Bears Fans, Friends, and Alumni,

It was great to see so many Alumni in town as Scott Hewit was inducted into the UNC Athletics Hall of Fame this past weekend. For the results, the Bears split matches. Overall, I feel like we are wrestling very well as a team and am excited about the direction we are headed. This coming Saturday, we have another big match at home against Top-15 ranked North Dakota State at 6pm in Bank of Colorado Arena. We have had some excellent crowds this year and I expect nothing less this Saturday. Bring a friend and **WEAR BLUE** as we try to Blue Out the Bank. On Sunday, we will travel up I-25 to take on rival Wyoming. I hope to see many of you up there as well!

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#### **125lbs- Stevo Poulin (2-0)**

Stevo came away from the weekend with two wins over ranked opponents. I feel like he has been getting more offensive these past few weeks which will allow him to take the necessary next steps.

#### **133lbs- Jace Koelzer (2-0)**

Jace got back into his groove this weekend winning two tough matches. It has been a little bit of an adjustment for him at the new weight class this year, however, I feel like he is figuring it out at the right time of the season.

#### **141lbs- Andrew Alirez (1-0)**

Andrew dominated his ranked opponent and continues to show that he has jumped levels this season. I am excited to see him continue to develop down the back half of the season here as we prepare for March.

**141lbs- Rudy Lopez (1-0)**

Rudy got the nod against CBU and took care of business getting the major decision. Rudy is big and strong for this weight class, and I feel he like looked great in his first real outing.

**149lbs- Chris Sandoval (2-0)**

Chris may have had the best overall weekend I have seen from him in quite some time. I feel like he is primed at the right time of the season with a big match coming up on Saturday.

**157lbs- Vinny Zerban (1-1)**

Vinny split matches this weekend. On Friday, I expected a high scoring shootout against a ranked opponent, which turned into a one score match. As I have said about Vinny all year, he is figuring things out this season and when it matters he will be a threat to anyone he competes against. On Sunday, he made quick work of his opponent.

**165lbs- Baylor Fernandes (0-1)**

Baylor lost his match on an illegal move and his opponent could not continue. This is not something that me or my coaching staff condones, and we are addressing internally.

**165lbs- Cody Eaton (0-1)**

Cody is fresh off injury and competed hard as he always does on Sunday against a tough opponent. I was a little unsure what to expect from Cody as he has seen very limited action even in practice as of late, however, I was happy with how he competed.

**174lbs- Andy Berreyesa (1-1)**

Andy dropped a close match on Friday against a higher ranked opponent before getting a major decision on Sunday. Andy gets better each time out there and has another couple of ranked matches he can pick up this coming weekend.

**184lbs- Branson Britten (0-2)**

After seeing a week of progress from Branson, I feel like he regressed in his mid-match adjustments. We will continue to work on getting him to wrestle his match each time he takes the mat.

**197lbs- Xavier Vasquez (1-1)**

After dropping his match on Friday, Xavier gritted out a tough overtime win on Sunday. At this point, we expect nothing less from him as he wins from his toughness and will.

**285lbs- Xavier Doolin (1-1)**

Doolin continues to show signs of growth even in his losses. I am excited to see how much better he can get over the next month. I truly believe he will have a shot to make it to the NCAA Tournament come March.

Again, I hope to see you all on Saturday in your finest **BLUE**.

**GO BEARS!**



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