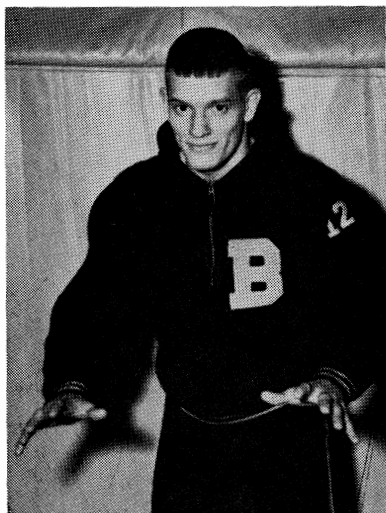


BLOOMSBURG STATE COLLEGE

Bloomsburg Pennsylvania

Wrestling *1967-68*



JOE GERST

1967 P.S.C.A.C. and N.A.I.A.

Champion

PRESS and RADIO

INFORMATION

GENERAL INFORMATION



Dr. Harvey A. Andruss
President, Bloomsburg State College

Russell Houk, Lock Haven S. C. '52
Athletic Director and Varsity Wrestling Coach

Don Rae, Central State College, Okla.
Freshman Wrestling Coach

Boyd F. Buckingham, Bloomsburg S. C. '43
Director of Development

Bruce "Nick" Dietterick, Penn State '47
Sports Information Director

Michael Novak, Bloomsburg S. C. '68
Student Manager

ATHLETIC INFORMATION

Member N.C.A.A., P.S.C.A.C., N.A.I.A.
Colors Maroon and Gold
Team Name Huskies
Home Site Centennial Gymnasium
Capacity 1200
Press Table Accommodations for 12 persons
Radio Facilities are available.
Telephone, Sports Publicity 784-4660 Ext. 218

COLLEGE INFORMATION

Denomination Non-Denominational
Conducted by Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Year Founded 1839
Enrollment 3200

WRESTLING OUTLOOK 1967

The Bloomsburg State College Huskies, according to head coach Russ Houk, should have a good year, but not as great a year as those of some of his championship teams of the past. The Huskies won their last official title in the 1964-65 season when they were National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics champions. Their last Pennsylvania State College Championship was won in the 1963-64 season.

Twenty three varsity candidates and 17 freshmen have been working out since early October and were joined two weeks ago by Houk who also serves as head football coach. The squad includes three seniors, eight juniors, and twelve sophomores from last year's freshmen team that posted a 10-5 record.

Lost from last year's squad through graduation and other reasons are: Frank Neiswender, who placed third at 167 lbs. in last year's PSCAC competition; Grant Stevens, who placed second at 115 lbs.; Barry Sutter, who was last year's 145 lb. PSCAC champion; Dave Grady, who was third at 160 lbs.; and two other mainstays, Doug Grady, and Lou Centrella.

The returning seniors include: Joe Gerst, 152 lb. PSCAC and NAIA champion; Steve Peters, runner up in PSCAC at 137 lbs; and Bill Moul, who placed fourth at heavyweight. Participation by Gerst at this time is questionable due to leg trouble which sidelined him in football.

Among the outstanding juniors are: Wayne Heim, a PSCAC third place winner at 123 lbs; Dennis Seigmann, who had a fourth at 123 lbs. in PSCAC competition two years ago, but did not wrestle last year; Kurt Grabfelder at 123 lbs.; and David Jones at 191 lbs.

Promising sophomores include: Jeffrey Prosseda at 130 lbs; Arnold Thompson at 160-167 lbs; John Stutzman at 167 lbs; and Bob Janet at heavyweight.

Bloomsburg will conduct an AAU meet on Saturday, December 2 in Centennial Gymnasium. Invitations have been extended to approximately 40 colleges, junior colleges, YMCA's and Athletic Clubs. The Huskies will officially open their season by hosting a quadrangular meet with Indiana State U., Miami of Ohio, and Appalachian State College on December 9. As in the past the Huskies will be participating in the annual Rose Bowl of Wrestling—the Wilkes Open Tournament, in the latter part of December.

WRESTLING SCHEDULE

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| Dec. 9—Quadrangular Meet | H—1:00 |
| Indiana State (Terre Haute) Miami of Ohio | |
| Appalachian State | |
| Dec. 14—Mansfield | A—8:00 |
| Dec. 27—Wilkes Tournament | --- |
| Jan. 9—Mifflersville | A—7:00 |
| Jan. 13—Oswego | H—2:00 |
| Jan. 17—East Stroudsburg | H—8:00 |
| Jan. 20—Clarion | H—8:00 |
| Jan. 29—Southern Illinois U. | A—8:00 |
| Feb. 14—Lock Haven | A—8:00 |
| Feb. 24—West Chester | A—8:00 |
| Mar. 1 - 2—State Tournament Clarion | |
| Mar. 7 - 9 NAIA Tournament Adams State College | |
| Mar. 21 - 23 NCAA Tournament Penn State U. | |

BLOOMSBURG STATE COLLEGE VARSITY WRESTLING SQUAD

| Name | Class | Age | Ht. | Wt. | High School | Hometown |
|----------------------|-------|-----|------|-----|------------------|-------------------|
| *Gerst, Joseph | Sr. | 21 | 5'9 | 152 | Danville | Danville |
| *Moul, William | Sr. | 21 | 6'2 | 205 | Spring Grove | Spring Grove |
| *Peters, Stephen | Sr. | 22 | 5'5 | 145 | Newport | Newport |
| Bennett, Craig | Jr. | 20 | 5'6 | 135 | Woodrow Wilson | Levittown |
| Cermanski, John | Jr. | 21 | 5'10 | 160 | Upper Merion | Conshohocken |
| *Cunningham, Michael | Jr. | 21 | 5'11 | 185 | Wyoming Seminary | Washington, N. J. |
| *Grabfelder, Kurt | Jr. | 20 | 5'9 | 140 | Cheltham | Elkins Park |
| Heywood, Gary | Jr. | 19 | 5'4 | 123 | Hatboro-Horsham | Horsham |
| *Jones, David A. | Jr. | 20 | 5'11 | 200 | Newport | Newport |
| Kressles, Fred | Jr. | 20 | 5'3 | 165 | Bloomsburg | Bloomsburg |
| *Russo, Ronald | Jr. | 20 | 5'3 | 140 | Seaford | Seaford, N. Y. |
| Smay, Roy | Jr. | 20 | 5'10 | 190 | Curbanville | Clearfield |
| Smith, Michael | Jr. | 20 | 5'6 | 150 | Newport | Newport |
| *Siegman, Dennis | Jr. | 21 | 5'6 | 145 | Woodrow Wilson | Levittown |
| Buffington, Ronald | So. | 19 | 5'6 | 130 | Central Dolphin | Harrisburg |
| Heim, Wayne | So. | 20 | 5'5 | 132 | Columbia | Columbia |
| Janet, Robert | So. | 20 | 5'9 | 250 | Lock Haven | Lock Haven |
| Lepley, Richard | So. | 18 | 5'7 | 145 | West Snyder | Beaver Springs |
| Owen, James | So. | 19 | 5'10 | 160 | S.R.U. Joint | Wellsburg, N. Y. |
| Pail, James | So. | 19 | 5'8 | 155 | Northampton | Northampton |
| Pail, Joseph | So. | 19 | 5'8 | 155 | Northampton | Northampton |
| Prosseda, Jeffrey | So. | 19 | 5'5 | 135 | Milton | Milton |
| Stutzman, John | So. | 19 | 5'9 | 175 | Tri-Valle | Hegins |
| Tellier, Raymond | So. | 19 | 6'2 | 180 | Dumont | Dumont, N. J. |
| Thompson, Edward A. | So. | 20 | 5'8 | 165 | Washington | Washington, N. J. |
| Wallace, Lester J. | So. | 19 | 6' | 165 | Danville | Danville |

* Lettermen

BLOOMSBURG STATE COLLEGE FRESHMAN WRESTLING SQUAD

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|--------------------|-----|----|------|-----|----------------------|----------------------|
| Bishop, Dennis | Fr. | 18 | 5'5 | 130 | Bangor | Bangor |
| Bower, Neal | Fr. | 18 | 5'8 | 137 | Danville | Danville |
| Christina, Vince | Fr. | 18 | 6'2 | 205 | Union-Endicott | Endicott, N. Y. |
| Cipolla, Marty | Fr. | 18 | 6'1 | 190 | Lake Lehman | Chambersburg |
| Coleman, James | Fr. | 19 | 6'2 | 190 | Washington | Washington, N. J. |
| Davis, John | Fr. | 18 | 5'10 | 170 | Nazareth | Nazareth |
| Firestine, William | Fr. | 18 | 5'9 | 167 | Athens | Athens |
| Gantz, John | Fr. | 18 | 5'7 | 160 | Delsea Regional | Franklinville |
| Hepford, David | Fr. | 17 | 6' | 150 | Susquehanna Township | Harrisburg |
| Keefer, Robert | Fr. | 18 | 5'10 | 150 | Shamokin | Shamokin |
| Ladd, Michael | Fr. | 23 | 5'6 | 150 | Sunbury | Sunbury |
| Lee, Pat | Fr. | 18 | 6'1 | 190 | Carlisle | Carlisle |
| McCue, James | Fr. | 18 | 6'1 | 230 | Bernards | Bernardsville, N. J. |
| Morley, Tom | Fr. | 17 | 5'4 | 135 | Oceanside | Oceanside, N. Y. |
| Pass, Bill | Fr. | 19 | 5'8 | 125 | Haverford | Haverford |
| Scheuren, Russel | Fr. | 18 | 5'8 | 150 | North Schuylkill | Lavelle |
| Shull, Michael | Fr. | 18 | 5'1 | 115 | Newport | Newport |
| Smythe, Wayne | Fr. | 18 | 5'8 | 130 | Manheim Township | Lancaster |
| Sones, Larry | Fr. | 18 | 5'5 | 135 | Muncy | Muncy |
| Trexler, Robert | Fr. | 18 | 5'6 | 135 | Louis E. Dieruff | Allentown |
| Vedral, Mike | Fr. | 19 | 6' | 190 | Shamokin | Shamokin |
| Weiss, John | Fr. | 18 | 5'8 | 150 | E. Pennsboro | Summerdale |
| Wisler, Thomas | Fr. | 18 | 5'8 | 160 | Pottstown | Pottstown |

RUSSELL E. HOUK, WRESTLING COACH

Russell E. Houk, a native of Ellwood City and an outstanding coach of high school grapplers, joined the Bloomsburg State College faculty in September, 1957, as head wrestling coach, assistant football coach, and athletic director. A line performer on the Lincoln High School gridiron squad at Ellwood City, he later had an outstanding record in both football and wrestling at Lock Haven State College, where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in 1952. He received his Master of Education degree from Bucknell in 1957.

While coaching at both South Williamsport and Muncy High Schools, he had a very successful tenure; several of his charges captured first and second places in State championship meets. In the ten years he has been at the wrestling helm at B.S.C., he has won five Pennsylvania State College championships, three N.A.I.A. titles and one Wilkes Tournament title. In 1959-60, 1961-62, and 1964-65, the Huskies were undefeated. In 1962, when he had his 13-0 record, he won both the Pennsylvania State College Conference and the Wilkes Tourney and placed second in the N.A.I.A. He was named N.A.I.A. Coach of the Year in 1960-61, 1962-63, and 1964-65. His overall record at B.S.C. stands at 100 wins, 14 losses, and 2 ties.

Houk qualified as one of the busiest small college athletic directors in the country as he also just completed his fourth year as head football coach at Bloomsburg, and also served as a member of the U.S. Olympic Wrestling Committee.

As a superb conditioner of men, he instills in all of his teams the great asset of the desire to win along with good sportsmanship.

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DONALD R. RAE

Assistant Wrestling Coach

In addition to his wrestling assignment, Don Rae, who joined the B.S.C. faculty in August, 1967, is also an Instructor in Mathematics.

A native of Harrison, New Jersey, he received his early education in the schools of that state and received his Bachelor of Science in Education degree from Central State College, Edmond, Oklahoma. From 1950-1954, he served in the United States Air Force.

For three years prior to coming to Bloomsburg, he taught in the Window Rock High School on the Navajo Indian Reservation in Arizona, where he was Chairman of the Mathematics Department, Student Council sponsor, and Assistant Football and Wrestling coach. Houk feels that Rae will be a valuable asset to the B.S.C. wrestling program.