

Bucks 8th At Harrisburg; Huber Stays Undefeated

HARRISBURG — Aberdeen Central pulled away from Sioux Falls Roosevelt and the rest of the field to claim top honors in the Harrisburg Invitational wrestling tournament, held on Saturday.

Aberdeen Central scored 280 points to outdistance Sioux Falls Roosevelt (254.5) and Madison (152.5). Harrisburg (134) and Washington (114.5) rounded out the top five.

Beresford finished sixth at 99.5. Yankton was eighth at 88.5, with Dakota Valley (46) 12th and Crofton-Bloomfield (33) 13th in the 15-team event.

For Yankton, Spencer Huber improved to 23-0 by winning the 126-pound championship.

Ray Wermers (160) finished third, Cody Vornhagen (113) finished fourth, Jamee Bruegman (145) placed fifth, and Bashir Abd-Al-Kreem (120) and Cole Diedrichsen (220) each finished sixth for the Bucks.

Aberdeen Central had two wrestlers who remained unbeaten with victories: John Frisco (182 pounds, 22-0) and Sam Schaunaman (285 pounds, 17-0).

Yankton hosts Brookings in an Eastern South Dakota Conference dual today (Monday). The JV match begins at 5:30 p.m., with the varsity set for 7 p.m.

TEAM SCORES: Aberdeen Central 280, Roosevelt 254.5, Madison 152.5, Harrisburg 134, Washington 114.5, Beresford 99.5, Milbank 91, Yankton 88.5, Fulda-MCC 87.5, Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn 79, Sisseton 69, Dakota Valley 46, Crofton-Bloomfield 33, Omaha Gross Catholic 21, Tea Area 18.

106: 1st, Hunter Burnett, Milbank dec. Chauncey Goethals, Aberdeen Central 5-1; 3rd, Jacob Hansen, Harrisburg dec. Josh Vortherms, Roosevelt 3-2; 5th, Collin Becker, Dakota Valley pin. Dane Christopherson, Sisseton 2:17.

113: 1st, Brandon Carroll, Roosevelt maj. dec. Austin Chak, Aberdeen Central 16-3; 3rd, Michael Kumlien, Harrisburg dec. Cody Vornhagen, Yankton 6-4; OT, 5th, Brady Krause, Milbank dec. David Hibbing, Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn 8-2.

120: 1st, Kahlen Morris, Roosevelt pin. Clayton Hartle, Fulda-MCC 1:42; 3rd, Lucas Miller, Crofton-Bloomfield pin. Kolton Kriebel, Beresford 5:19; 5th, Victor Padilla, Aberdeen Central pin. Bashir Abd-Al-Kreem, Yankton 1:38.

126: 1st, Spencer Huber, Yankton pin. Josh Moore, Aberdeen Central 5:29; 3rd, Bailey Memis, Madison dec. Ben Blanchette, Fulda-MCC 5-4; 5th, Jordan Pollock, Milbank by forfeit over Norman Schimer, Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn.

132: 1st, Hunter O'Connor, Washington dec. Carter Lohr, Roosevelt 6-5; 3rd, Jarred Hodges, Madison dec. Ty Haneke, Beresford 5-3; OT, 5th, Ryan Dickey, Omaha Gross Catholic dec. Madison Peterson, Aberdeen Central 10-3.

138: 1st, Brock Kortan, Roosevelt by forfeit over Chase O'Connor, Washington; 3rd, Trevor Larson, Aberdeen Central maj. dec. Hunter Ingwersen, Beresford 15-6; 5th, Dakotah Goodwin, Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn pin. Noah Guse, Madison 2:38.

145: 1st, Kyle Yasgar, Roosevelt dec. Collin Haar, Aberdeen Central 5-1; 3rd, Kaiden Dorris, Madison maj. dec. Nathan Beech, Fulda-MCC 12-2; 5th, Jamee Bruegman, Yankton dec. Cole Dockett, Milbank 6-3.

152: 1st, Zach Determan, Roosevelt dec. Grant Rosheim, Washington 5-4; 3rd, Dakota Drenth, Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn pin. Shea Krause, Aberdeen Central 3:43; 5th, Braydi Dam, Dakota Valley dec. Tanner Fridrich, Tea Area 3-1.

160: 1st, Bradley Nelson, Aberdeen Central dec. Ibrahim Diomande, Roosevelt 1-0; 3rd, Ray Wermers, Yankton dec. Justin Brockel, Sisseton 4-2; OT, 5th, Chayden Fitzsimmons, Washington dec. Lasse Wrasche, Harrisburg 11-5.

170: 1st, Bradley Nelson, Aberdeen Central pin. Tyler Guthmiller, Madison 3:32; 3rd, Riley Folk, Milbank maj. dec. Tanner Nelson, Fulda-MCC 10-1; 5th, Sean Mullenberg, Roosevelt pin. Koben Huber, Sisseton 2:17.

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South Dakota's D.J. Davis (32) takes a shot in the paint between South Dakota State's Jake Bittle (4) and Cody Larson (34) during the second half of their Summit League men's basketball game on Saturday at Frost Arena in Brookings. SDSU rallied from an early 20-0 deficit to beat the Coyotes 71-57.

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Gymnastics: Gazelles Eighth At Pierre Meet

PIERRE — Rapid City Stevens and Central went 1-2 at the Pierre Invitational gymnastics meet on Saturday. Stevens scored 143.275, followed by Central (138.575) and O'Gorman (138.325).

Yankton followed up a season-best score in its home finale on Thursday by bettering that mark, scoring a 133.85 to finish eighth in the 11-team field. The mark was a half-point better than the Gazelles' score against Wagner-Bon Homme on Thursday.

Rapid City Central's Chelsey

Christensen won the all-around with a 38.775. Stevens' Shay Trimble was second at 38.0.

Christensen also won on the uneven parallel bars (9.675), floor exercise (9.725) and vault (9.8). Trimble won on the balance beam (9.65).

The Gazelles were led by a score of 33.775 in the all-around by seventh grader Jaiden Boomsma. Sophomores Haleigh Diede (33.475) and Kaitlin Guthmiller (33.325) also finished above the 33-point mark.

Yankton's top event finish was by Boomsma, who tied for fourth on the

vault with a 9.25. Cameryn Specht also broke the top-10 in that event, tying for seventh with a 9.0.

Yankton travels to Vermillion for a dual on Thursday.

TEAM SCORES: Rapid City Stevens 143.275, Rapid City Central 138.575, Sioux Falls O'Gorman 138.325, Watertown 138.3, Sioux Falls Lincoln 137.35, Sioux Falls Roosevelt 136.875, Brookings 136.525, Aberdeen Central 134.75, Yankton 133.85, Pierre 130.2, Huron 117.575, Sioux Falls Washington 110.05.

ALL-AROUND: Chelsey Christensen, R.C. Central 38.775; Shay Trimble, Stevens 38.0; Krisia Bramer, Watertown 37.55; Lizzie Miller, O'Gorman 36.9; Hannah Riker, Stevens 35.675; YHS: Jaiden Boomsma 33.775, Haleigh Diede 33.475, Kaitlin Guthmiller 33.325.

BAR: Chelsey Christensen, R.C. Central 9.675; Krisia Bramer, Watertown 9.55; Shay Trimble, Stevens 9.45; Kalli Kuebler, Brookings 8.975; Aimee Padgett, Aberdeen 8.95; YHS: Kaitlin Guthmiller 8.075, Samantha Kortan 7.875, Haleigh Diede 7.6,

Jaiden Boomsma 7.25, Morgan Mason 7.15. **BEAM:** Shay Trimble, Stevens 9.65; Lizzie Miller, O'Gorman 9.6; Chelsey Christensen, R.C. Central 9.575; Mikayla Konzem, Roosevelt 9.4; Ashley Solano, R.C. Central 9.3; YHS: Haleigh Diede 8.25, Jaiden Boomsma 8.225, Kaitlin Guthmiller 8.0, Cameryn Specht 7.475, Sophie Bisgaard 6.625.

FLOOR: Chelsey Christensen, R.C. Central 9.725; Lizzie Miller, O'Gorman 9.65; Jamie Benedict, O'Gorman 9.6; Krisia Bramer, Watertown 9.6; Shay Trimble, Stevens 9.6; YHS: Haleigh Diede 9.125, Jaiden Boomsma 9.05, Cameryn Specht 8.925, Kaitlin Guthmiller 8.85.

VAULT: Chelsey Christensen, R.C. Central 9.8; Krisia Bramer, Watertown 9.35; Shay Trimble, Stevens 9.3; Ally Jamison, Lincoln 9.25, Jaiden Boomsma, Yankton 9.25; OTHER YHS: Cameryn Specht 9.0, Haleigh Diede 8.5, Kaitlin Guthmiller 8.4, Sophie Bisgaard 7.9.

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as they come and go out there and play."

They played well enough to win this contentious affair and with Hemiller saving her best play for last.

"That shows a sign of a great player," Seekamp said of Hemiller, who scored all of her nine points in the last 10 minutes of the game. "She came when we needed her. She made those big plays and it sparked our team. Even though she didn't play great in the first half, she kept fighting and that kind of showed us we needed to stay fighting and we managed to pull through and win that game."

USD attacked the interior early and often and were successful more than not to take an early 6-2 lead.

The Jacks retaliated with a 9-3 run of its own and led 11-9 on a three by Kerri Young at the 14:15 mark of the first half.

SDSU showed an early superiority on the boards as they snatched five offensive rebounds in the game's first six minutes to set an early tone of physicality.

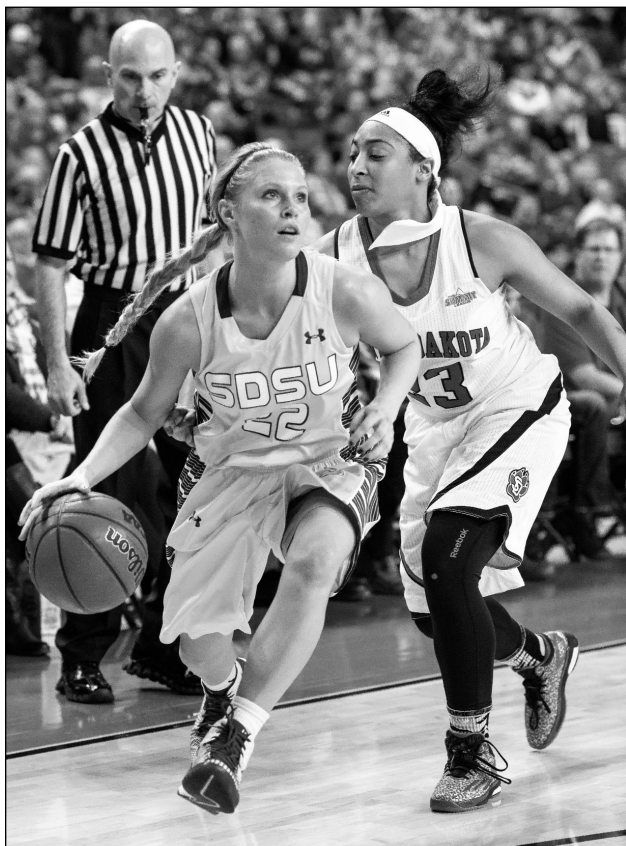
"We talked about how physical (USD) were and how we had to come in and match it or exceed it," Stevens said. "We are just as physical a team as them but it's not a USD-thing it's more of an always-thing for us."

The Coyotes cooled offensively and the SDSU women started percolating to lead 19-14 with 11:39 left in the half.

USD found itself down 24-14 less than a minute later, but would begin to find its groove again pulling within five over the next three possessions.

Alas, the Jacks regained control and a Cornemann 3-bomb by the Yankton High grad put the visitors up 31-21 with seven minutes left before halftime.

Over the next four minutes the teams struggled to score, but the Coyotes held a slight edge to pull to within 33-27 by the 3:10 mark. A minute later, a Heidi



THOMAS HATZENBUHLER/FOR THE PLAIN TALK

South Dakota State's Chloe Cornemann dribbles the ball as South Dakota's Raeshel Contreras applies defensive pressure during their Summit League women's basketball game on Saturday at the DakotaDome. Cornemann, a junior from Yankton, scored a season-high eight points in the contest.

Hoff 3-pointer pulled the hosts to within 35-30. Then Hoff dropped two charity tosses with 1:29 to go before halftime to trim the SDSU deficit to 35-32.

USD's defense tightened the screws on the next two SDSU possessions and two Seekamp free throws pulled the Coyotes to within 35-34 before a basket at the buzzer by Clarin gave the Jacks a three-point lead going into the break.

Both teams shot 38 percent from the field over the first 20 minutes while USD's Contreras led all scorers with nine points.

USD started the second half with confidence and attacked the Jacks with vigor and took a 40-39 lead 75 seconds out of the locker room on two Seekamp free throws.

Then Contreras drilled an icy tray from deep 25 seconds later and USD was up 43-39.

The game of back-and-forth commenced as SDSU went on a quick 7-2 run to take back the lead at 46-45.

Contreras dropped the splash-splash with a sweet net ripping three from the left corner at 12:32 of the half to give USD a 52-49 lead.

It was touché to the max as both teams countered their rival from inside, from the foul line and from beyond the ozone with deep threes.

They also exchanged bad passes and missed close-range shots as neither team could find the proper rhythm to pull away from the other. USD built a 63-59 lead with 6:32 left on two more Seekamp free throws and slowly it appeared they had gained control going up by six only seconds later.

But missed free throws allowed SDSU to remain in striking range as the Jacks called timeout at the 4:53 mark down 66-61.

Stevens and Kerri Young would connect on back-to-back 3-balls and only 50 seconds were needed to see SDSU back on top at 67-66.

This game was the real deal. Up 71-69 with 3:22 left,

USD came out of a timeout and forced an SDSU turnover. They capitalized with a Hemiller three, her second in the game's latter stages, to put the Coyotes up five.

Then the officials decided they wanted to become a part of the game, making two questionable defensive foul calls on the hosts as SDSU pulled to within 74-72 from the foul line with 1:38 left in regulation.

A Hemiller power drive gave USD a four-point lead, 76-72, and the Coyotes defense forced an SDSU miss from deep to put the Jacks in a hole.

"(Hemiller) is a good player for them," Clarin said. "We did a good job making sure we put the pressure on her and kept her in check. Toward the end we may have loosened up a little bit. We were probably focusing more

on other players who were knocking down shots. She's a good player and she was knocking down shots that were open."

The Coyotes made most of their free throws down the stretch to counter some desperation hoops by SDSU and in the end that was enough for the USD win.

For Hoff, a Brandon native and a long-time fan of USD, this win means just that much more.

"Considering our history between the teams over the last couple of years (the SDSU game) is meaningful for our whole team," Hoff said. "Growing up, this rivalry has always been there and I have always been pro-USD."

USD shot 41 percent while SDSU shot 42 percent and committed 17 turnovers compared to the Coyotes' 16. USD outrebounded the Jacks 37-35

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Arena — a place they haven't won at in 15 years.

They had their chances, but that early lead quickly evaporated.

"To be honest, I think we got a little complacent," said senior Brandon Bos, who had a game-high 18 points.

"We completely took our feet off the gas pedal, and when they went on their run we didn't know how to handle it."

In front of a stunned crowd, the Jackrabbits missed their first 12 shots from the field and didn't score until the 12:24 mark, but by that time, USD had a 20-0 lead.

That's when the tides turned.

South Dakota State scored the next 18 points in a 6-minute span and the Coyotes at one point missed 14 consecutive shots, allowing the Jacks to take a 31-29 lead into halftime.

"I felt like we got tentative and weren't nearly on attack as much," USD head coach Craig Smith said. "Felt like we reverted to what's easy. Which is human nature at times, settling for jumper after jumper."

Senior Tyler Larson recorded his ninth double-double of the season with 12 points and 12 rebounds, along with six assists, but the Coyotes as a team shot 34 percent for the game — a stat both sides mentioned later as proof of SDSU's tough defense.

"The thing I was most

proud of, we had low energy most of the night, but they fought through it, and did what they could do," Nagy said.

Tellinghuisen keyed the Jackrabbit attack with 15 points and eight rebounds, while Deondre Parks scored 15 points and George Marshall surged late to add 12 points.

Rather than win a game that was never in doubt from the start, the Jacks instead had to find ways to make plays in key times, which could help them in the long-term, Nagy said.

"In my opinion, wins like this are better for your team," he said. "It gives you more confidence down the road."

Hired away from Nebraska which was in the NCAA Tournament a season ago, Smith pointed to SDSU — which has twice made it to the tournament — as the model to emulate.

"Tradition matters," Smith said. "They have what we want."

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S. DAKOTA (9-10)
Hunter 3-7 4-5 10, Burnette 1-3 0-0 3, Bos 6-14 4-6 18, Kasperbauer 3-6 0-0 8, Larson 3-14 5-6 12, Norris 1-4 0-0 2, Thoseby 0-2 0-0 0, Mayot 0-0 0-0 0, Davis 1-2 0-0 2, Robertson 1-4 0-0 2, Totals 19-56 13-17 57.

S. DAKOTA ST. (13-7)
Tellinghuisen 6-9 0-2 15, Larson 3-10 3-5 9, Parks 5-14 3-4 15, Bittle 2-6 2-2 6, Marshall 4-10 2-2 12, Flatten 0-0 0-0 0, Moffitt 2-2 4-6 8, Horstman 1-3 1-1 3, Theisen 1-1 1-2 3, Totals 24-55 16-24 71.

Halftime—S. Dakota St. 31-29, 3-Point Goals—S. Dakota 6-17 (Kasperbauer 2-4, Bos 2-5, Burnette 1-1, Larson 1-5, Norris 0-1, Thoseby 0-1), S. Dakota St. 7-25 (Tellinghuisen 3-6, Marshall 2-5, Parks 2-10, Bittle 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—S. Dakota 35 (Larson 12), S. Dakota St. 37 (Tellinghuisen 8). Assists—S. Dakota 12 (Larson 6), S. Dakota St. 12 (Bittle 4). Total Fouls—S. Dakota 22, S. Dakota St. 17, A.—5,354.

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