

TK grapplers win two titles at Kent Co. tourney

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Thornapple Kellogg sent nine guys and six girls to the Kent County Wrestling Championships at East Kentwood High School Saturday and Christien Miller and Emma Gibson came away with championships.

Miller wrestled his way to victory in the 113-pound weight class with four pins. The only guy to get into the second period with him was Forest Hills Eastern's Kestin Mayer in the championship match, but Miller stuck him 39 seconds into that second period to earn the top spot on the medal stand.

Gibson knocked off Rockford's Madelynn Portko 4-0 in the 120-125-pound girls' championship match after scoring a pin in the semifinals.

Raini Braska in the girls' 115-pound weight class and Jayce Curtis at 175 on the boys' side both earned runner-up finishes.

Braska scored a pin and a technical fall to get to the championship round where she was beat out by East Kentwood's Amelia Diaz 4-2.

Curtis pinned his first two foes and then pulled out a 7-5 win over Rockford's Logan Hamming in the semifinals. Byron Center's Blake Ottow

took the 175-pound championship outscoring Curtis 17-4 for a major decision.

Blake Bossenberger added a fifth-place finish for TK at 165 pounds. On the girls' side, Kayleigh Brown at 155 pounds and Adelaide Holderman at 170 both placed fifth and 110-pounder Briella Dykstra placed sixth.

Rockford won the tournament championship with 236 points. Cedar Springs was second with 204.5 ahead of Byron Center 173.5, Lowell 144, Sparta 141.5 in the top five. The TK varsity team was seventh with 90 points just ahead of conference foe Forest Hills Eastern who finished with 90.

TK returned to action Wednesday hosting its first conference quad of the season. The Trojans capped off the night with a 52-30 win over Grand Rapids Catholic Central, following up on a 62-9 win over Kelloggsville in a non-conference dual in Middleville. Forest Hills Eastern was also a part of the night's wrestling. The Hawks were bested by both the Cougars and Rockets.

"They're starting to put the basics together and are building that base we're looking for," TK head coach Dayne Fletke said of his young wrestlers Wednesday.

"Some of the freshmen,



Thornapple Kellogg 157-pounder Jack Smith closes in on a pin against Grand Rapids Catholic Central's John Wilson during the Trojans' win over the visiting Cougars in the first OK Gold Conference dual of the season Wednesday in Middleville. (Photo by Brett Bremer)

like Jack [Smith] and Cam [Peter] and [Caleb] Miller at 26, I feel like are slightly more aggressive, which I like to see. They're starting to get confidence in wrestling in the varsity line-up. They're getting some of the stuff they can take advantage of as opposed to being scared of that. I am looking forward to seeing them grow throughout the season."

Christien Miller, Gibson, Caleb Miller, Noah Quintard, Smith, Curtis and Abram Dutcher all scored pins in the dual with Kelloggsville. Heavyweight Jimmy Manne

closed out the dual with a 3-2 win over Zacarias Domingo-Pablo for TK.

Peter also took a 5-3 win for the Trojans at 144 pounds against Andy Cruz Lopez-Castro. His win followed major decisions by teammates Dylan Pauline at 132

pounds and Griffin Grummet at 138 for TK.

There were just seven contested bouts in the dual between the Trojans and Catholic Central Cougars.

With a late reversal and a couple back points, Peter upped his victory to a 14-5

major decision in the 144-pound bout with Catholic Central's Matiss McNally. Smith scored a pin at 157 pounds for the Trojans.

Those were TK's only two wins on the mat while the team took seven weight classes by forfeit.



Thornapple Kellogg 215-pounder AJ Dykstra works to turn Catholic Central's Kyle Killebrew during their teams' OK Gold Conference dual in Middleville Wednesday. (Photo by Brett Bremer)



Trojan 190-pounder Tanner Buxton hauls Grand Rapids Catholic Central's Cole Ford down to the mat during their match Wednesday in TK's OK Gold Conference win over the visiting Cougars. (Photo by Brett Bremer)

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CALEDONIA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2024 MEETING SCHEDULE

Regularly scheduled meeting dates of the Charter Township of Caledonia Board of Trustees for 2024 are indicated below. All meetings will be held beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Caledonia Township Hall, 8196 Broadmoor Ave SE, Caledonia, Michigan.

NOTE: Individuals with disabilities may request auxiliary aids and services for the meeting by contacting the Township Clerk at 616.891.0070.

Meeting Dates

January 3, 2024, January 17, 2024, February 7, 2024,
March 6, 2024, March 20, 2024, April 3, 2024, April 17, 2024,
May 1, 2024, May 15, 2024, June 5, 2024, June 19, 2024, July 17, 2024,
August 7, 2024, August 21, 2024, September 4, 2024, September 18, 2024,
October 2, 2024, October 16, 2024, November 6, 2024, November 20, 2024,
December 4, 2024, December 18, 2024

Dated: December 23, 2023

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PUBLIC NOTICE Caledonia Township

A draft copy of the Village of Caledonia & Charter Township of Caledonia 2024-2028 Five Year Park & Recreation Plan is available for review and public comment for a period of 30 days at the Charter Township of Caledonia Township Hall located at 8196 Broadmoor Ave SE, Caledonia, MI 49316 during regular office hours.

Feedback will be used to finalize the 5 Year Park & Recreation plan which will be presented at a Public Hearing of the Charter Township of Caledonia Board of Trustees on Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Charter Township of Caledonia Township Hall.

Interested persons may attend the public hearing. Written comments prior to this meeting may be addressed to Alison Nugent, Township Manager, at the address as noted above.

Joni Henry, Clerk