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Why Do You Rob Banks? Because That's Where the Money Is.

Episode 16-1

Why is the NWCA Multi-Division National Dual Meet Championships so important? Because that's where the teams are. The MatStats Posse explains why this dual meet tournament is so important. This is even though the fan favorite NCAA Men's D1 teams are not involved. MatStats contends the Multi-Division Nationals are a result of the recent explosive growth of the World's Oldest & Greatest sport. It is fitting that the NWCA is the sponsor of this event, since the NWCA is a huge reason for the growth of wrestling.

NWCA MatStats - The Moneyball of Wrestling

I Feel Like A Number

Episode 16-2

To the fans I'm just a drone

To my wireless service I'm just another phone

I'm just a statistic on a bout sheet

To the teachers I'm just another child

To the IRS I'm just another file

I'm just a correlation on the stat sheet

I feel like a number
I feel like a number
I'm not a number, I'm not a number

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- MatStats is a subsidiary of the NWCA but is a separate entity that voices its own opinions on its statistical analysis.
- MatStats three hosts, Gormley, Bryant, and Hazard are all equally responsible for all the good outcomes. Gormley for the bad feedback.
- Gormley writes the Power Points and selects the topics. Gormley uses the term MatStats often, but many times it is Gormley's opinion alone.
- Gormley does the stats work and then the three hosts & occasionally guests brainstorm about Gormley's findings and ideas.
- MatStats is designed to have educated thoughts and opinions to help the world's oldest and greatest sport.
- Wrestling is all about settling disagreements. The hosts are too old to settle these disagreements on the mat.
- Sometimes we agree, sometimes we disagree. It makes the world go round.

Here is a brief primer on the NWCA Multi-Divisional Dual meet Championships.

- Started in 1999 with 13 D1, 1 D2, 1D3, 1 NAIA teams.
- In 2001 expanded to have a multi-divisional national dual meet championships.
- This is an NWCA championship, not an NCAA Championship. The NCAA insist to have only one NCAA Championship team in each division.
- 2017 last time with D1 teams. There were 8 dual meets.
- Previously it followed the VA Duals and had a dual meet champion.
- Teams selected in April based on results and who is returning.
- Has been in December/January the last few years.
- Having it too close to the NCAA's is too risky with injuries for coaches and teams.
- Here is the link to follow the tournament 2023 NWCA Multi-Division National Dual Meet Championships | NWCA (nwcaonline.com)

Opportunity, Inclusiveness, and Glory.

- In a dual meet, it involves the whole team, they can feel apart of. In the current world, non-qualifiers usually do not attend
- An ideal world would have it later in season, but to maximize both the dual meet and individual tournaments, they should be spread out.
- Having a dual meet championship could help align the conferences differently. Like Jason Bryant suggested in Ep # 10 on 6/15/22.
- If we feature a dual meet NWCA National Champion, it will accentuate the dual meets. This is easier for the spectators to follow.
- It provides 6 teams the opportunity to bring home a national championship trophy.
- MatStats has offered their Margin of Victory scoring method that will be much easier for fans to follow in dual meets and tournaments.

Yes, the WIBN is having a job fair for wrestlers to help start their post college careers.

- The NWCA Multi-Divisional Dual Meet Championships are more than just wrestling.
- There will be a Career fair to help wrestlers find jobs.
- There will be exhibit booths.
- This is sponsored by the WIBN.
- It will be in Louisville, KY on 1/6 & 1/7 at the KY Expo Center.
- If you can't be there, follow it online.

It is correlated, but MatStats believes it is not the cause of our growth, it is the result!

- Correlation does not prove causality
- Sutton's law The law is named after the bank robber Willie Sutton, who reputedly replied to a reporter's inquiry as to why he robbed banks by saying "because that's where the money is."
- Taught in med schools
- When you hear hoofbeats, think horses, not zebras.
- The MatStats Posse is not saying the sport is growing because of the NWCA Multi-Divisional Duals, but it sure seems the Multi-Divisional duals are a result of the growth of our sport.
- It is not the cause; it is the result. A great result for our sport.

There are 96 teams. They come from divisions in all 3 collegiate wrestling organizations. All Divisions except NCAA D1 Men are represented.

- The current format of the NWCA Multi-Divisional Dual meet team championships are as follows -
- 1) 16 NCAA Men's D2 teams.
- 2) 24 NCAA Men's D3 teams.
- 3) 16 NAIA Men's teams.
- 4) 16 NCAA Women's teams.
- 5) 16 NAIA Women's teams.
- 6) 8 NCWA Men's teams.
- A total of 88 NCAA/NAIA teams and 8 NCWA teams.
- There are NO NCAA Men's D1 teams.

There are 474 NCAA & NAIA total teams, this is the most ever. We are in the Camelot Days. Enjoy it!

			Years most	Percentage of
	Total Teams	Most Ever	ever total	Most Total
Category	12/9/22	Total Teams	teams	Teams Ever
NCAA D1	85	146	1982	58%
NCAA D2	100	100	2023	100%
NCAA D3	168	168	2023	100%
NCAA	353	363	1982	<mark>97%</mark>
NAIA	121	121	2023	<mark>100%</mark>
Total	<mark>474</mark>	<mark>474</mark>	2023	<mark>100%</mark>

As of 12/9/22, there are 273 Men's NCAA teams. On the D2 we are at a record. D3 is growing. D1 is where we are struggling.

	Men's Teams	Most Ever	Year Most Ever Men's	Percentage of Most Men's
Category	12/9/22	Men's Teams	Teams	Teams
NCAA D1	81	146	1982	55%
NCAA D2	70	70	2023	100%
NCAA D3	122	149	1982	82%
NCAA D2 & D3	192	219	1982	88%
Total NCAA	273	363	1982	75 %

What percentage of all the teams are NCAA D1 Men's teams?

Only 17% of NCAA & NAIA 4-year college wrestling teams are NCAA D1 Men's teams.

		Percentage of All
Category	Total Teams 12/9/22	Teams
NCAA D1 Men	81	<mark>17%</mark>
NCAA D1 Women	4	<mark>1%</mark>
NCAA D2 M+W	100	21%
NCAA D3 M+W	168	35%
NCAA M+W	353	74%
NAIA M+W	121	26%
Total w/o NCAA D1 Men	393	83%
Total 4 Year Colleges	474	100%

As of 12/9/22, there are 124 announced women's teams at NCAA & NAIA 4-year colleges. That is 26% of all wrestling teams.

Category	Announced Men's	Announced	Total	Percentage
12/15/22	Teams	Women's Teams	Teams	Women's Teams
NCAA D1	81	<mark>4</mark>	85	<mark>5%</mark>
NCAA D2	70	30	100	30%
NCAA D3	122	46	168	27%
Total NCAA	273	80	353	23%
NAIA	77	44	121	36%
Total 4 Year	350	<mark>124</mark>	474	<mark>26%</mark>
Total w/o D1	269	120	389	31%

How good are the teams at NWCA Multi-Division Nationals?

80% of the teams in the 2023 field are nationally ranked. The women's fields have 88% & 94% ranked.

Category	Number of Multi- National Teams	Ranked Teams in the Multi- Nationals	% Teams ranked	How Many Teams in the Polls
NCAA D2 M	16	12	75%	25
	10	12	13/0	
NCAA D3 M	24	16	67 %	25
NAIA M	16	13	81%	20
NCAA W	16	14	<mark>88%</mark>	20
NAIA W	16	15	<mark>94%</mark>	20
Total	88	70	<mark>80%</mark>	110

62.5% of the 88 teams in the 2023 field were added since 2001.

NWCA Multi	_	A 11	NCAA DO	NGAA DO		NGAA	NIAIA	
Nationals	Teams	All	NCAA D2	NCAA D3		NCAA	NAIA	
Entries	Added	Divisions	Men	Men	NAIA Men	Women	Women	2023
	Teams	% of		Teams	% of		Teams	% of
Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams
2001	4	4.55%	2010	0	0.00%	2019	6	6.82%
2002	1	1.14%	2011	1	1.14%	2020	1	1.14%
2003	0	0.00%	2012	1	1.14%	2021	0	0.00%
2004	2	2.27%	2013	4	4.55%	2022	0	0.00%
2005	1	1.14%	2014	6	6.82%	Existing	33	37.50%
2006	2	2.27%	2015	2	2.27%	Added	<mark>55</mark>	<mark>62.50%</mark>
2007	2	2.27%	2016	4	4.55%	Total	88	100.00%
2008	4	4.55%	2017	5	5.68%			
2009	2	2.27%	2018	7	7.95%			

There are 31.25% new teams in the NCAA D2 field. The NCAA D2 has the most teams in total it has ever had on record (70).

NWCA	Multi	National	Team	Entries	NCAA	Men	D2	2023
	Teams	% of		Teams	% of		Teams	% of
Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams
2001	1	6.25%	2010	0	0.00%	2019	0	0.00%
2002	1	6.25%	2011	0	0.00%	2020	0	0.00%
2003	0	0.00%	2012	0	0.00%	2021	0	0.00%
2004	1	6.25%	2013	0	0.00%	2022	0	0.00%
2005	0	0.00%	2014	0	0.00%	Existing	11	68.75%
2006	1	6.25%	2015	0	0.00%	Added	<mark>5</mark>	<mark>31.25%</mark>
2007	0	0.00%	2016	0	0.00%	Total	16	100.00%
2008	0	0.00%	2017	0	0.00%			
2009	0	0.00%	2019	1	6.25%			

Only 16.67% of the NCAA D3 field has been added since 2001.

NWCA	Multi	National	Team	Entries	NCAA	Men	D3	2023
	Teams	% of		Teams	% of		Teams	% of
Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams
2001	0	0.00%	2010	0	0.00%	2019	0	0.00%
2002	0	0.00%	2011	0	0.00%	2020	0	0.00%
2003	0	0.00%	2012	0	0.00%	2021	0	0.00%
2004	0	0.00%	2013	1	4.17%	2022	0	0.00%
2005	1	4.17%	2014	1	4.17%	Existing	20	83.33%
2006	0	0.00%	2015	0	0.00%	Added	<mark>4</mark>	<mark>16.67%</mark>
2007	0	0.00%	2016	1	4.17%	Total	24	100.00%
2008	0	0.00%	2017	0	0.00%			
2009	0	0.00%	2018	0	0.00%			

87.5% of all the teams in the NAIA Men's field have been added since 2001.

NWCA	Multi	National	Team	Entries	NAIA	Men		2023
	Teams	% of		Teams	% of		Teams	% of
Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams
2001	1	6.25%	2010	0	0.00%	2019	0	0.00%
2002	0	0.00%	2011	1	6.25%	2020	0	0.00%
2003	0	0.00%	2012	1	6.25%	2021	0	0.00%
2004	1	6.25%	2013	1	6.25%	2022	0	0.00%
2005	0	0.00%	2014	2	12.50%	Existing	2	12.50%
2006	1	6.25%	2015	1	6.25%	Added	<mark>14</mark>	<mark>87.50%</mark>
2007	1	6.25%	2016	2	12.50%	Total	16	100.00%
2008	2	12.50%	2017	0	0.00%			
2009	0	0.00%	2018	0	0.00%			

100% of the NCAA Women's teams have been added since 2001. 87.5% since 2013.

NWCA	Multi	National	Team	Entries	NCAA	Women		2023
	Teams	% of		Teams	% of		Teams	% of
Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams
2001	0	0.00%	2010	0	0.00%	2019	2	12.50%
2002	0	0.00%	2011	0	0.00%	2020	1	6.25%
2003	0	0.00%	2012	0	0.00%	2021	0	0.00%
2004	0	0.00%	2013	1	6.25%	2022	0	0.00%
2005	0	0.00%	2014	2	12.50%	Existing	0	0.00%
2006	0	0.00%	2015	0	0.00%	Added	<mark>16</mark>	100.00%
2007	0	0.00%	2016	0	0.00%	Total	16	100.00%
2008	1	6.25%	2017	3	18.75%	Since '13	<mark>14</mark>	87.5%
2009	1	6.25%	2018	5	31.25%			

100% of the NAIA Women's teams have been added since 2001. 87.5% have been added since 2007.

NCAA	Multi	National	Team	Entries	NAIA	Women		2023
	Teams	% of		Teams	% of		Teams	% of
Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams	Year	Added	Teams
2001	2	12.50%	2010	0	0.00%	2019	4	25.00%
2002	0	0.00%	2011	0	0.00%	2020	0	0.00%
2003	0	0.00%	2012	0	0.00%	2021	0	0.00%
2004	0	0.00%	2013	1	6.25%	2022	0	0.00%
2005	0	0.00%	2014	1	6.25%	Existing	0	0.00%
2006	0	0.00%	2015	1	6.25%	Added	<mark>16</mark>	100.00%
2007	1	6.25%	2016	1	6.25%	Total	16	100.00%
2008	1	6.25%	2017	2	12.50%	Since '07	<mark>14</mark>	87.5 %
2009	1	6.25%	2018	1	6.25%			

As of 12/9/2022, there are 219 NCWA wrestling teams (159 - Men, 60 - Women). There are 8 men's teams at the 2023 NCWA Multi-Divisional National Duals.

- The NCWA is the third governing body for collegiate wrestling.
- MatStats did a show on the NCWA (Episode #9 5/18/22 Build It and The Will Come).
- The Executive Director of the NCWA, Jim Giunta, was our guest on that show.
- The NCWA has 159 men's teams and 60 women's teams.
- There are 8 NCWA teams grappling for the NWCA national dual meet championship in Louisville on 1/6/23 & 1/7/23.
- The NCWA is part of the growth of wrestling. Keep up the great work Jim Giunta!!

The NCAA, NAIA, & NCWA have 693 Wrestling Teams. Only 11.69% are NCAA D1 Teams.

Category	Teams	Percent
NCAA Men's D1	81	11.69%
NCAA D2 & D3 Men NAIA Men & Women NCWA Men & Women	612	88.31%
Total	693	100.00%

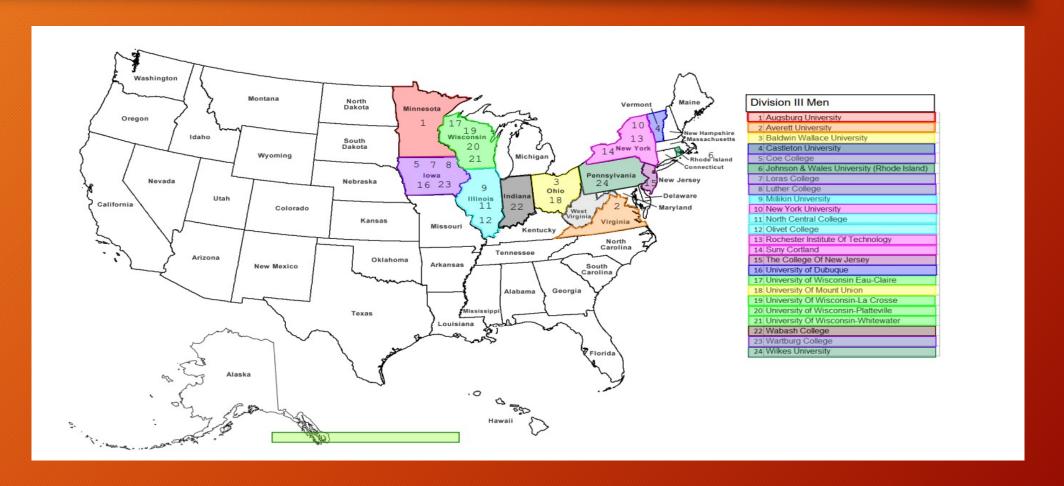
Wrestling needs women & the smaller schools. The NWCA has known this for years.

- The NWCA Multi-Divisional National Dual Meet Championships have 96 teams from divisions other than the NCAA Men's D1.
- These divisions represent 88.31% of all collegiate wrestling teams.
- The growth of wrestling comes from these divisions.
- The NWCA has this tournament because that is where the teams are.
- The same reason Willie Sutton robbed banks.
- The NFL HOF has inductees from 94 schools that are not in the NCAA FBS/1A.
- Much like the NFL HOF and the NFL Draft, Mike Moyer & the NWCA staff see the big picture.
- What would the NFL be without Chuck Bednarik, Jerry Rice, Walter Payton, and so many others from small schools?
- Where would wrestling be without women and these smaller schools?

Here is the map for Men's NCAA D2 teams in the NWCA 2023 Multi-Divisional Dual Meet Championships.



Here is the map for Men's NCAA D3 teams in the 2023 NWCA Multi-Divisional Dual Meet Championships.



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Here is the map for NAIA Men's teams in the 2023 NWCA Multi-Divisional Dual Meet Championships.



Here is the map for NAIA Women's teams in the 2023 NWCA Multi-Divisional Dual Meet Championships.



The 96 teams come from 32 states. This is a true national tournament.

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Order	State	Teams	Order	State	Teams	Order	State	Teams
1	IA	9	12	MN	3	23	CT	1
2	IL	8	12	NY	3	23	MT	1
3	ОН	6	12	OK	3	23	NC	1
4	GA	5	12	TX	3	23	ND	1
4	IN	5	16	FL	2	23	NJ	1
4	KY	5	16	CA	2	23	OR	1
4	PA	5	16	CO	2	23	RI	1
4	WI	5	16	MI	2	23	SD	1
9	KS	4	16	MO	2	23	VT	1
9	SC	4	16	NE	2	23	WV	1
9	VA	4	16	TN	2	Total	<mark>32</mark>	<mark>96</mark>

Note: Since we are talking about States - On the 3rd Saturday in October - Vols 52 Tide 49

Episode 16 MatCliff's Notes #1

- 1) There are 96 teams in 6 divisions in the 2023 NWCA Multi-Divisional Dual Meet Championship.
- 2) All divisions except NCAA Men's D1 are represented.
- 3) The growth of the sport is in women's and men's teams from smaller schools.
- 4) We now have 474 total teams in the NCAA & NAIA at 4-year schools. This is the most ever.
- 5) Only 17% of those programs are Men's NCAA D1 teams. If you count NCWA teams, it is 11%.

Episode 16 MatCliff's Notes #2

- 6) 26% of NCAA & NAIA programs are women's teams (124). That is 53% more than the number of Men's NCAA D1 teams (81).
- 7) 80% of the 88 teams in the 2023 NWCA Multi-Divisional Dual Meet National Championships are ranked.
- 8) 62.5% of these 88 teams were added since 2001. Thanks Mike, the NWCA staff and all that made this happen.
- 9) The 96 teams come from 32 different states.
- 10) We need to support this tournament and the women and men's smaller schools. We would not have wrestling without them.

Conference Qualifiers

- Tune In Next Month
 - Same Mat Time
- Same Mat Channel

- Next month show is on the Conference Qualifiers.
- MatStats will explore the stats in the conference qualifiers as only MatStats can do.
- MatStats hopes to see everyone Wednesday 1/18/23 at 3PM EST.