



Christmas is almost here, but we got some wrestling to do first! Tyrant Wrestling is set to host the Junior Beast Duals & Open this weekend as we get into the thick of our winter schedule. We are excited to see what year 2 of the Junior Beast Duals has in store for us! Meanwhile, this is year 4 of the Junior Beast Open and will be our largest one yet! Teams and wrestlers from all over are ready to get after it. 10 teams based out of NJ, PA, MD, VA, CT, MA, IN will battle it out in pool play all wrestling each other through 9 duals to crown the Junior Beast Duals Champion team.

The duals are a more old-school, true club feel with 19 weight classes, any wrestlers 8th grade and under.

The Junior Beast Duals & Open will host teams and wrestlers representing at least 12 states including:

PA, NJ, MD, VA, DE, NY, CT, MA, RI, IN, ME, NH

We expect this to be a very competitive dual tournament with exciting matches between competition from numerous states. Here's a preview of some of the top teams and wrestlers to watch out for.

2024 Junior Beast Duals Preview

(Accomplishments provided by team coaches/trackwrestling) Follow us on social media as we highlight top performances throughout the weekend.

ATTENDING TEAMS

Buxton (NJ)
Diddy Elite (IN)
Headhunters (MD)
Kraken (PA)
Mat Warriors (NJ)

MQ Elite (MA)
South Side (CT)
The Compound (PA)
Virginia Patriots (VA)
Warhawks Wrestling (MD)

Brackets & match results can be found on Trackwrestling.
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Buxton the defending Junior Beast Duals Champions! Buxton has been on a tear this year so far! Back in the spring winning the Poseidon Duals in FL, Gridiron champs in October, and East Penn champs in November! Can they grab their 4th Tyrant title this calendar year?? They may have to rematch last year's Junior Beast runner-up, the Headhunters to get it done. Without a doubt their Jersey toughness will be on display this weekend.

Headhunters WC is one of the premier clubs out of the state of Maryland that regularly produces top wrestlers on the MD scene. They arrive at the Junior Beast Duals with a full lineup of up-and-coming talent. With much Tyrant tournament experience they are one to watch out for.

A few wrestlers to look out for on Headhunters:

- 76: Dylan Verceles 2023 12u Greco National Champ
- 76: Ethan Encarnacion 10u Greco/FS All-American, 12u MD State runner-up
- 84: Emmanuel Coello MD State Runner-up
- 92: Ed Encarnacion 2x MD State Champ
- 115: Trenton Clark 3x MD State Champ

Kraken This PA squad is ready to make a run at the Junior Beast Duals title. Kraken had a great showing placing 2nd in the inaugural East Penn Duals over a month ago. Kraken's lineup is well-coached and will be a tough matchup all day for opponents.

A few wrestlers to look out for on Kraken:

- 64: Nate Taggart DE State Champ
- 80: Nick Hoskiin NJ State runner-up
- 96: Brady Watson Multiple X PA State placer
- 100: Luca Seramone DE State Champ
- 105: Evan Cies PA State Champ
- 115: Grayson Hostetter Super 32 Champ

<u>Mat Warriors</u> always brings tough teams to the mix. Expect no different this weekend from this Jersey based squad. They got a full lineup ready to go. Let's see what they got in store for us in their first Junior Beast Duals!

Warhawks is also considered one of the top wrestling clubs out of Maryland. Warhawks have racked up several top 4 finishes at Tyrant events over the years and their wrestlers can be found competing at nearly every Tyrant tournament. Expect their experience to serve them well this weekend as they wrestle for a top 4 finish or higher! Their lineup is stacked with numerous MD

state placers, runner-ups, and champions. All the wrestlers below are MD State Champs if not multi x champs.

A few wrestlers to look out for on Warhawks:

- 64: Ryley Herwig
- 72: Billy Tracey
- 76: Caleb Tsikerdanos
- 80: Troy Plankenhorn
- 88: Julian MCcrimmon
- 96: Charles Cooper
- 100: Leon Melton
- 115: Matteo Marenco
- 120: Elijah Friend
- 130: Logan Vanwagenen
- 210: Jacob Endzel

MQ Elite will be the lone team out of Massachusetts as they roll in and attempt to make a statement in their first ever Junior Beast Duals. Expect this squad out of Foxborough to wrestle tough all weekend.

A few wrestlers to look out for on MQ Elite:

- 96: Mike Newton New England Champ
- 100: Chase Armstrong New England Champ
- 110: Logan Barry New England Champ

<u>South Side WC</u> is another team from the New England region in the field this weekend! South Side is no stranger to tough Tyrant events, annually competing in Columbus Day Duals! They got a tough squad ready to go. Numerous CT State and New England place winners.

A few wrestlers to look out for on South Side WC:

- 64: Gabriel Batres Multi x CT State Champ, Tulsa Nationals AA
- 68: Josh Latham CT State Champ, New England Champ
- 84: Logan Bailey CT State Champ, New England Champ
- 88: Karina Batres USAW Girls Folkstyle National Champ
- 140: Ryder Zycheck Multi x CT State Champ
- 210: Kasjan Wnuk CT State Champ, New England finalist

<u>Virginia Patriots</u> have been coming to Tyrant events for a few years and will be fighting hard for a top 4 finish after coming up short in the past. But every Tyrant tournament we see them at, they're better than the last and are wrestling with more confidence. VA Patriots are due for a big weekend!

The Compound is also based out of the state of PA but has some wrestlers from around the region including NY and WV. They train hard and focus on the fundamentals so expect them to be right in the mix as well!

A few wrestlers to look out for on Compound:

- 68: Caiden Whitmore VA State Freestyle Champ
- 88: Maverik Wilson WV State Champ, Reno Worlds 4th
- 100: Blaise Wilson 2x Super 32 Champ (2022 & 2024), Tulsa Kickoff Champ 2024, 6x WV State Champ

<u>Diddy Elite</u> is certainly an interesting team name choice but do not let it distract you from the firepower in this lineup. Several familiar names from other Tyrant Tournaments such as Jermey Carver or Brennen Veverka. As well as from strong clubs such as Mat Assassins with Nelson Villafane and Dakota Sandy to name a few. This team for sure is capable of grabbing a Gold. Keep an eye on Diddy Elite!

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