

## Dragons win Yuma dual 48-28

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Dragon wrestlers gave their fans a show Thursday, Dec. 13 under the new spotlight when the grapplers defeated Yuma 48-28.

The Dragon Den Dual drew a nice crowd in the student appreciation night where students were admitted at no charge.

Nine varsity matches were wrestled, with Holyoke winning six and Yuma taking three. The visiting Indians had three open weight classes, while HHS had two open classes.

Starting at 170 lbs., the dual featured the heavier weights first, then went back to cover classes 106 through 160.



**Dragon Ben Martinez works to turn Armando Valenton of Yuma in 152-lb. action in the Dec. 13 dual in Holyoke. Martinez took the win by pin in 5:37. —Enterprise photo**

“The kids did a fantastic job, all the way through the line-up,” praised coach Jack Garrison.

He said the team is in good shape. “We ran them out of gas in several weights.” But he noted

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the whole team needs more offense and there's lots of work to do.

Several varsity wrestlers head to the UNC Christmas Open tourney in Greeley this weekend, Dec. 21-22, then break for the holidays. Coach Garrison said Monday he's still trying to find a JV tournament for other team members this weekend.

In the Yuma dual last week, Spencer Kotch, Jesus Hermosillo, Dylan Kotch and Ben Martinez earned six team points apiece, winning their matches with pins.

Luke Stewart and Nicholas Ortner won their matches by decisions to gain three team points apiece.

Eric Rojo, Morgan Golden and Marques Harvey had no Yuma opponents, so were declared winners and added six team points apiece.

Individual results of the Dragon Den Dual follow:

-106 lbs.—Yuma was open, so Eric Rojo took the win.

113 lbs.—Holyoke was open, so Yuma's Hayden Holtorf took the win.

120 lbs.—Issac Brandt was pinned in 1:33 by Aaron Aagesen.

126 lbs.—Yuma was open, so Morgan Golden took the win.

132 lbs.—Holyoke was open, so Yuma's Luke Brown took the win.

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138 lbs.—Nicholas Ortner won an 8-4 decision over Bryce Leifheit.

145 lbs.—Luke Stewart won a 3-0 decision over Angel Dominguez.



**Luke Stewart has control over Angel Dominguez of Yuma in a 145-lb. match that went scoreless until the third period, where Stewart won 3-0. —Enterprise photo**

152 lbs.—Ben Martinez pinned Armando Valenton in 5:37.

160 lbs.—Leo Ortiz lost a 1-14 decision to C.J. Leonhardt.

170 lbs.—Spencer Kotch pinned Kaler Ybarra in 1:20.

182 lbs.—Yuma was open, so Marques Harvey took the win.

195 lbs.—Jesus Hermosillo pinned Luke Korf in 1:02.

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220 lbs.—Dylan Kotch pinned Todd Fresquez in 2:31.

285 lbs.—Astolfo Rojo was pinned in 1:02 by D.J. Snelling.

JV. exhibition match—220 lbs.—Sidney Struckmeyer pinned John Chouinard in :22.

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