## Joel Webster Big Surprise at Wrestleoffs

EDINBORO, Pa. (Oct. 24, 2008) – The Edinboro wrestling team held its annual wrestleoffs on Friday, hopefully helping head coach Tim Flynn make some decisions in regards to several weight classes. The Fighting Scots open the 2008-09 campaign next Saturday, November 1, hosting the Fighting Scot Duals. Edinboro faces Findlay, Army, and Maryland.

The biggest surprise of the wrestleoffs came at 141 lbs., where national qualifier Torsten Gillespie was upset by Joel Webster in the final. Webster won a 9-3 decision. He did not wrestle a year ago, and only recently rejoined the team.

The 141 lb. weight class was one of three weight classes that figured to be decided today. Paul Donahoe, a transfer from Nebraska and a two-time All-American for the Cornhuskers, met <u>Eric Morrill</u> in what was likely the most anticipated bout of the day at 125 lbs. Morrill was a national qualifier a year ago, but Donahoe dominated the match and came away with an 8-2 decision.

The Fighting Scots will have to wait for both wrestlers, however. Donahoe will not be eligible until at least the end of the first semester, while Morrill is expected to redshirt this season.

That left Kyle Fluke, Greg Sill and Michael Bunn to battle for the starting job at the beginning of the year. Fluke defeated Bunn (16-0) and Sill (5-0) to claim the starting job.

Ryan Morgan came away as the winner at 149 lbs. The senior defeated Kory Bissett, 5-2, in the finals, after winning by fall over freshman Jeff Brigham at 1:47 in the semifinals. Bissett edged Joe Bockmore, 3-2, in the other semifinal.

Here's a look at the other weight classes:

133 lbs. - Ricky Deubel squared off against Aaron Ely, winning and 8-4 decision.

157 lbs. - Three-time All-American Gregor Gillespie won a 16-0 technical fall in just one period over Dan Snyder.

165 lbs. - Jarrod King also won by technical fall, 18-0 over Chris Hrunka.

174 lbs. - Phil Moricone was unopposed at 174 lbs.

184 lbs. – <u>Chris Honeycutt</u>, a national qualifier as a true freshman, prevailed over <u>Shawn Fendone</u>. He won twice by scores of 6-2 and 3-2. <u>Paul Paddock</u> was also expected to battle for the job, but was forced to forfeit due to injury against Fendone.

197 lbs. - Pat Bradshaw won twice, defeating Ken Massey, 11-2, and Ian MacIneirghe by fall at 2:10.

Hwt – Like Bradshaw, Joey Fendone showed he's ready for the season to begin, dominating a pair of freshmen. He won by fall over Mike Horton at 1:48, and needed 55 seconds to pin Vince Corden.