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DEVILISH HOLD. Top-ranked Joe Reynolds of the University of Oklahoma finds himself upside down in the arms of Thom Ortiz of Arizona State during their 142-pound title match in the NCAA wrestling championships at Cole Field House in College Park Saturday night.

Oklahoma State wrestling champs

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) —Oklahoma State won two individual titles and made a strong showing in the consolation round to capture its second consecutive team title Saturday at the 60th NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships.

The Cowboys built an 8½-point lead during the afternoon session, after opening the final day tied with Arizona State, and clinched their 29th title when Oklahoma's Joe Reynolds defeated ASU's Thom Ortiz 7-3 in the 142-pound final.

Oklahoma State is the first team to repeat as team champion since Iowa's nine-year winning streak was snapped in 1987.

Oklahoma State had clinched the championship before its first finalist set foot on the mat. Freshman Pat Smith, the top seed at 158, earned an individual title with a 11-7 victory over Scott Schleicher of Navy. Defending 177-pound champion Chris Barnes of OSU repeated by scoring a 10-2 decision over Minnesota's Marty Morgan.

Iowa also won two individual titles but was nosed out by Arizona State for second place. Oklahoma State finished with 117.75 points to 104.75 for ASU and 102.75 for Iowa.

Arizona State's comeback hopes were damaged in the first bout of the finals, when second-seeded Zeke Jones suffered a 12-4 loss to Northwestern's Jack Griffin. Griffin, the fifth seed, became the first Wildcat to win a national title since 1973.

Iowa began the evening trailing Oklahoma State by 14.5 points, and with three finalists retained a mathematical chance at the title. Top-seed Terry Brands

won the 126-pound title for the Hawkeyes, defeating Nebraska's Jason Kelber 3-2, but his victory earned Iowa only four points, and eliminated the Hawkeyes from the team title race.

The combination of Griffin's victory and Kelber's loss clinched fourth place in the team standings for Northwestern. Nebraska was fifth, and Penn State finished sixth.

Tom Brands of Iowa captured the 134-pound title, scoring a 9-7 victory over top-seed Dave Zuniga of Minnesota, avenging a defeat in the Big Ten Championships. The Brands twins are the first brothers to win titles in the same year since Bill and Jim Scherr of Nebraska, also twins, won in 1984.

The victories by the Brands brothers moved Iowa into second place ahead of Arizona State. ASU moved back into second when Dan St. John captured the title at 167 pounds, and clinched its second consecutive runner-up finish when Iowa's Brooks Simpson was defeated in the 190-pound final.

St. John, who won the title at 158 last year, won his second national title with a 6-3 decision over Brad Traviola of Northwestern. Simpson lost to top seed Matt Ruppel of Lehigh, 6-5.

In the 150-pound division, Brian Dolph of Indiana scored an 11-5 decision over Gary Steffensmeier of Northern Iowa. Dolph is the first Hoosier to capture a national title since Bob Antonacci in 1940.

In the heavyweight division, the only weight class without a midwestern finalist, Kurt Angle of Clarion defeated fellow Pennsylvanian Greg Haladay of Penn State, 3-1.

NCAA wrestling

NCAA Division I Wrestling Results

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — Results Saturday from the championship matches of the NCAA Division I wrestling championships:

118

Jack Griffin, Northwestern, won by major dec. over Zeke Jones, Arizona St., 12-4.

126

Terry Brands, Iowa, dec. Jason Kelber, Nebraska, 3-2.

134

Tom Brands, Iowa, dec. Dave Zuniga, Minnesota, 9-7.

142

Joe Reynolds, Oklahoma, dec. Thom Ortiz, Arizona St., 7-3.

150

Brian Dolph, Indiana, dec. Gary Steffensmeier, Northern Iowa, 11-5.

158

Pat Smith, Oklahoma St., dec. Scott Schleicher, Navy, 11-7.

167

Dan St. John, Arizona St., dec. Brad Traviola, Northwestern, 6-3.

177

Chris Barnes, Oklahoma St., won by major dec. over Marty Morgan, Minnesota, 10-2.

190

Matt Ruppel, Lehigh, dec. Brooks Simpson, Iowa, 6-5.

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Kurt Angle, Clarion, dec. Greg Hala-day, Penn St., 3-1.

Team Standings

Top 30 teams

1, Oklahoma St., 117.75 points. 2, Arizona St., 104.75. 3, Iowa, 102.75. 4, Northwestern, 66.75. 5, Nebraska, 64.25. 6, Penn St., 57.5. 7, Oklahoma, 48.25. 8, Indiana, 45.5. 9, Iowa St., 43.5. 10, Minnesota, 42.25.

11, Northern Iowa, 40.50. 12, Cal St.-Bakersfield, 30.5. 13, Navy, 29. 14, Ohio St., 27. 15, Clarion, 26.25. 16, North Carolina, 23.5. 17, Lehigh, 21.5. 18, West Virginia, 17.5. 19, Illinois, 15. 20, Cornell, 14.

21, (tie) Bloomsburg, Stanford and Wisconsin, 13. 24, Cal St.-Fullerton, 12.5. 25, New Mexico, 11.75. 26, William & Mary, 11.5. 27, Missouri, 11. 28, Syracuse, 9.5. 29, Clemson, 9. 30, (tie) Morgan St. and Oregon, 8.5.