

# ***1-2 Iowa, OSU Collide; Sooners Face Cyclones***

**By Mac Bentley**

Big Four? No, it hasn't been that kind of year in college wrestling.

No. 1-ranked Iowa and No. 2-ranked Oklahoma State, both undefeated, will decide the "dual season" championship in Stillwater tonight, but the picture isn't nearly as bright at Norman, where third-ranked Oklahoma, crippled with injuries, and eighth-ranked — yes, eighth-ranked — Iowa State will do battle.

Feb. 10 has been a bright spot on the wrestling calendar ever since schedules were

announced. The Hawkeyes (14-0) and Cowboys (17-0) have held up their half of the bargain, but the Sooners (15-3) and Cyclones (12-4) were not expected to have seven losses between them, including setbacks to Wisconsin, Northern Iowa and Penn State.

Both duals begin at 7:30 p.m., with the Iowa-Oklahoma State match to be televised by KAUT-TV, Channel 43, in Oklahoma City.

Both the Cowboys and Sooners feel the 134 and 142-pound matches will be critical to their chances.

"We feel like 34 and 42 probably are the pivot points," OSU aide Ricky Stewart said Thursday afternoon. "If we can win one of those two we'll be all right. We'd like to win them both."

Iowa, which has seen its 118-pounder Matt Egeland struggle with knee problems, apparently will do some lineup switching.

"I don't know for a fact what they're doing, but they've let us speculate on it a little bit," Stewart said. "We think they'll probably move (Tim) Riley (22-6-1)  
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down to 118 and (Mark) Trizzino (14-2-1) down to 26.

Trizzino, who won an East-West Classic match Sunday, is not even ranked by the *Amateur Wrestling News*, but only because he's been alternating with top-ranked 134-pounder Greg Randall, who is 25-3.

"I think Trizzino would give us a harder time at 34 than Randall, but Randall's tough too," said Stewart. "There's not really that much difference between the two, but Trizzino wins the ranking matches up there."

The Cowboys, who have won 42 straight duals since losing to Iowa, 22-18, in Gallagher Hall two years ago, are

counting on victories from Mark Perry, who is 24-3 at 118, John Smith, 24-2-2 at 126, and one from either Clar Anderson (17-3-2) or Luke Skove (23-4-0) at 134 or 142. They'll be heavily favored at 150 with Kenny Monday (24-0) and at 167 with Mike Sheets (29-0), but Iowa may get the edge in the others.

The Hawkeyes, who have won 25 straight since losing to the Pokes in Iowa City, 27-23, last year, will be big favorites at 158 with Jim Zalesky, who is 27-0 and a winner in his last 79 matches, and at 177 with top-ranked Duane Goldman (22-0).

They are favored to a lesser degree at 190, where former national champion Pete Bush (27-2) faces Cowboy

Karl Lynes (22-2) and a heavyweight, where Steve Wilbur (17-9) meets Perry Kaufman (10-5).

Zalesky, whose last defeat came two years ago when he was pinned by Stewart in a dual, will meet Billy Dykeman, who is 27-2-2 and lost an 8-1 decision to the Iowa last year.

"I think Dykeman's got the ability to keep it close, and if he can keep it within a point coming down to the end, well, anybody can win," Stewart said. "It just depends on how frustrated the guy gets."

OU coach Stan Abel says his Sooners are in their worst shape of the season, while Iowa State is just beginning to make its move.

"They've had their problems injury-wise, but they've got the strongest team they've had all year," he said. "We've been a better team than they were all year, but we won't be at our best tomorrow night."

The Sooners will have an ailing Dave Palmer at 190 pounds and will be without 150-pounder Darren Abel, who fractured a foot at Nebraska Tuesday night. That has caused the Sooner coach to juggle his lineup in the lower weights.

Here are the probable starting lineups, with OSU and OU wrestlers listed first:

Iowa (14-0) at OSU (17-0)  
118: Mark Perry (24-3) vs. Tim Riley (22-6-1); 126: John Smith (24-2-2) vs.

Mark Trizzino (14-2-1); 134: Clar Anderson (17-3-2) vs. Greg Randall (25-3); 142: Luke Skove (23-4) vs. Jeff Kerber (26-5); 150: Kenny Monday (24-0) vs. Marty Kistler (21-4); 158: Bill Dykeman (27-2-2) vs. Jim Zalesky (27-0); 167: Mike Sheets (29-0) vs. Lindley Kistler (25-1-2); 177: Alan Lauchner (14-11-3) vs. Duane Goldman (22-0); 190: Karl Lynes (22-2) vs. Pete Bush (28-2); Hwt: Perry Kaufman (10-5-1) vs. Steve Wilbur (17-9).

Iowa St. (12-4) at OU (15-3)  
118: Melvin Goree (11-13-

2) vs. Bill Kelly (21-4-1); 126: Mark Zimmer (31-3-1) vs. Kevin Darkus (35-0-1); 134: Glen Goodman (1-0) vs. John Thorn (11-5); 142: Clint Burke (23-4) vs. Joe Gibbons (20-3-1); 150: Darren Higgins (16-7) vs. Jim Farina (25-10-1); 158: Johnny Johnson (17-5-1) vs. Bill Tate (11-5); 167: Melvin Douglas (26-5-1) vs. Bob Gassman (13-11-1); 177: Dan Chaid (33-4) vs. Steve Metzger (14-16); 190: Dave Palmer (19-7-1) vs. Mike Porcelli (10-6); Hwt: Mark Tatum (5-11-1) vs. Darryl Peterson (16-9).



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