



2025 JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Happy New Year!!

To all our Clubs, Wrestling Leaders, and Wrestlers. At the beginning of every New Year, The ISWA thoughts turn gratefully to all those who make our Organization a GREAT one. The dedication of all those we serve is the foundation of our success, therefore 2025 seems to be a great time to once again say thank you for your support. We wish you a year of happiness and prosperity.

ANNUAL "JOHN HURREL MEMORIAL AWARD"

Each year, the I.S.W.A. sponsors the "John Hurrel Memorial Award", named in his honor. This award will be presented at the 2025 ISWA Awards Ceremony & the IHSWCA Fall Coache Clinic to an individual who has made an "Outstanding Contribution" to the sport of Amateur Wrestling in the State of Indiana. This may be either an adult volunteer or coach. John Hurrel, one of the original founders of the Indiana State Wrestling Association, coached for many years at Arsenal Technical High School in Indianapolis. John was devoted to wrestling and to the kids in Indiana. John's motto was "DO IT FOR THE KIDS!" John served on the ISWA Board of Directors from 1978 until his passing in 1991. The "John Hurrel Memorial Award" was established shortly after his death in honor of his many years of service. Past recipients include: Mark Stevenson (2024), Mike McCarthy (2023), Cheryl Merchant (2022), The Miller Family (2021) Beth Lybarger (2020) Lou Silverman (2019), Pat Culp (2018), Renee Schoettle (2017), Dave Errett (2016), Louis & Sharon Rossbottom (2015), Tom Clark (2014), Danny Struck (2013) Jan & Sue Hesser (2012), Chris Lynch (2011), Jim Tonte (2010), Bob Kopnisky (2009), Paul Green (2008), Tom Dolly (2007), JD Minch (2006), Royce Deckard (2005), T. Howard Jones Jr. & Robert Hasseman (2004), Dick Neal (2003), Rex Peckinpaugh (2002), Alan Goddard (2001), Francis Knue (2000), Mary Friedt (1999), John Schattner (1998), Mike & Sharon Dowden (1997), Rollie Hoover (1996), Bud Palmer (1995), Charles McNamara (1994), Larry Berg-strom (1993),and Phil Strader (1992).

If you know of someone who is deserving of this award, please fill out the nomination form, that was emailed to your club representative by Mar. 31st 2025. Only one (1) vote per club or board member will be accepted. *Note: All applications must bear a name and title or they become void. Please do not send multiple nomination forms. Nomination form and more details can be found here:

<https://www.iswa.com/awardsandresults>

2024.2025 CLUB CHARTER

If you have not renewed your 2024-2025 club membership, please do so ASAP! It is required now that you now renew online at iswa.com. Remember, if you are practicing and have not sent in your club charter and fee you are not covered by liability insurance. A current USAW card must be added to the application. Lastly USAW does not insure any home dwelling/residency locations for all wrestling activities.

2025 ISWA Elementar State Duals Results

Neil Sego Award: Parker Stanisiz of Bull Dog Premier

This year's team winners include:

Large Division: Champions - New Palestine (Dragon Wrestling Club), 2nd Place - Bulldog Premier, 3rd Place - Penn Wrestling Club

Medium Division: Champions - Bloomington South Wrestling Club, 2nd Place - Floyd Wrestling Club, 3rd Place - Hobart Wrestling Club

Small Division: Champions - Garrett Wrestling Club, 2nd Place - Indian Creek Wrestling Club, 3rd Place - Greentown Wrestling Club



Middle School Dual Team State Championship Registration

Registration Opens Tuesday Jan 7th, 2025 9 am. Registration opens the first Tuesday of January. Only current club charters can register online at www.iswa.com-Event Schedule-2025 ISWA MS State Duals Event Link. First come first serve registration. Visit our website for more information. This event will be

hosted the Sunday following the USAW Folkstyle Nationals in Ft Wayne at the War Memorial Coliseum Jan. 26th, 2025. Currently the event is full.

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Find out what's new on our website. Including: News articles, Easy access links on our home page guiding our members to www.USAWmembership and www.themat.com. You can also find Team Indiana Opportunities, ISWA Scholarship Opportunities and so much more. Did you know that all Sanctioned Events with ISWA/USAW can also be found on www.themat.com and our website. Over 200 clubs and over 9,000 USAW members visit our website in search of local club events. National Events and Team Indiana trips can also be found on our website.

ISWA Office

Need help? The ISWA office is available Monday - Friday (317)780-1885 or by email at office@iswa.com

2025 ISWA PUBLICATION

The Indiana Amateur Wrestling News, containing detailed information about all of the events and accomplishments of the past membership year. We like celebrating all of Indiana's hard work in growing the sport of wrestling in our Hoosier state. This and past publications can be found online here: [ISWA Online Publication Link](#)

ISWA State Finals

COMING SOON PRE-REGISTER FOR ISWA STATE FINAL EVENTS! All 2025 ISWA State Final events can be found on our website www.iswa.com/eventschedule. The ISWA hosts the following state events: ISWA Elem State Duals, Middle School State Duals, Folkstyle State Finals and Women's Folkstyle State, ISWA Freestyle & Women's Freestyle State Finals, ISWA Greco State Finals. NEW USAW 2025 Central Regionals is hosted in Louisville, KY

Coaching MAT SIDE at all Regional, National & State Final Events Require a current USAW Wrestling Leader card, a background check and Safe Sport Certification. A minimum of Copper Coache Certification is also required and can be completed online within the membership site.

NEXT ISWA BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the ISWA Board of Directors will be held Sunday, February 9th, 2025 More info about our meetings, Policies and more can be found here: www.iswa.com>About Us-Meeting-Minutes-Policies.