

WESTERN MONTANA LITTLE GUY WRESTLING NEWSLETTER

The board of directors met at St. Ignatius High School on January 12th to open bids and assign tournament sites for the 2011 Unit and Inter-Valley Tournaments. The following business

UNIT ALIGNMENT CHANGED

With Missoula Eagle Club withdrawing from the Little Guy Program, there was a need to realign the configuration of clubs assigned to the various Units. We also assigned new numbers to the Units. That new alignment is as follows:

UNIT ONE: Columbia Falls, Whitefish, Libby, Eureka, Troy, Kalispell, and Libby

UNIT TWO: Polson, Ronan Mission/Charlo, Arlee, Bigfork, Evergreen

UNIT THREE: Missoula, Superior, Frenchtown, Noxon, Plains, Bonnor, Thompson Falls

UNIT FOUR: Lolo, Florence, Victor, Corvallis, Hamilton, Darby, Dillon, Drummond

***NOTE THAT THIS WILL CHANGE THE INTER-VALLEY TOURNAMENT ARRANGEMENT. (IT WILL STILL BE UNITS ONE & TWO IN THE SAME INTER-VALLEY, AND UNITS THREE & FOUR IN AN INTER-VALLEY)**

TOURNAMENT SITES FOR 2011

Unit One-----Eureka (Keep 100% of Gate and Share 0%)

Unit Two-----Polson (Keep 90% of Gate and Share 10%)

Unit Three----Superior (Keep 0% of Gate and Share 100%)

Unit Four-----Florence (Keep 60% of Gate and Share 40%)

Units 1 & 2 Inter-Valley -----Libby (Keep 0% of Gate and Share 100%)

Units 3 & 4 Inter-Valley-----Frenchtown (Keep 0% of Gate and Share 100%)

Western Montana Championship ---Missoula (Keep 50% of Gate and Share 50%)

KPAX T.V. BID FOR ADVERSISING ACCEPTED

The board voted to once again, pay KPAX to advertise the starting dates and sign-up locations for the various Western Montana Little Guy Wrestling clubs.

LIABILITY INSURANCE POLICY FOR WRESTLERS & COACHES

Western States Insurance of Libby will again handle the policy for liability insurance for the over-all program. The premium will be pre-paid in the amount of \$2,490.00. Each club will be assessed \$1.10 per wrestler to be covered by this policy. This insurance charge, the Charter Fee (\$30.00) and the Web-site Fee (\$50.00) will be collected by the Unit Representative.

DISCUSSION ON “STARTING DATE” RULE

There was much discussion on the board’s decision to enforce the by-law’s rule of starting competition on the Monday following the high school state wrestling tournament. Coaches expressed sentiments for and against the rule. Some clubs felt that they were not represented correctly on their position when the Spring meeting was held.

All in all, there was some good discussion and more importantly some suggestions for dealing with the issue in the future. This rule will be re-visited in the Spring meeting and the board would like to encourage club reps to put their ideas in the form of proposals and get them to their Unit Representatives before that meeting.

Unit Tournament directors should also make time for a coaches meeting in which clubs can have input and suggestions for the good of the Little Guy Program.