**ADMINISTRATION OF INTERVALLEY TOURNAMENT**

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***The following steps must be followed in the running of the Intervalley Tournaments:***

**1. The Intervalley Tournaments will be run on the “Track Wrestling” format for the Novice, Middle and Junior Groups.**

**2. Tournament directors can build the brackets on Track Wrestling by getting the results of the Unit Tournaments from the WMLG Wrestling website. Use the bracketing format explained in the WMLG Wrestling Bylaws to place the wrestlers onto the brackets.**

**3. TOURNAMENT INFORMATION WILL INCLUDE:**

 **A. Reminder of Thursday night home weigh-in with coach exchange from another area club. (Wrestlers in the Novice and Middle Group that do not make the weight on Thursday may weigh in at the tournament site on the day their competition starts) If the Novice or Middle Group wrestler does not make weight a the weight they wrestled in the Unit Tournament they will be disqualified)**

 **B. A time schedule for the Junior Group on site weigh in.**

 **C. A time schedule for competition for the Four age groups**

 **D. A request for the names of the Club Coaches to be emailed to the tournament director prior to the tournament. This list will be used to distribute wrist bands to the coaches that will be allowed at mat side.**

 **E. A time schedule for the Scratch Meetings to add or withdraw wrestlers from the tournament. A separate scratch meeting will be necessary for the Junior group.**

**4. Tournament hosts must provide wrist bands that coaches must wear to determine who should be at mat-side during competition.**

**5. The wrestling area must be secured with a rope surrounding the mats and notices that the referees, coaches and wrestlers in matches or on deck to wrestle are the only persons allowed inside the roped area.**

**6. Tournament hosts will provide a “Mat Marshall” to patrol the mat area and ensure that unauthorized persons do not come inside the roped off area.**

**7. Tournament hosts must have at least one MOA Referee present for the competition. *(Referees will be paid from the gate receipts)***

**8.** **Ribbons for placers in the Beginner Group brackets will be ordered and paid for by the tournament host.**

**9. Medals will be ordered and paid for by the WMLG Wrestling program. The medals may be awarded at the tournament site or the tournament director can make arrangements to get them to the club directors.**

**10. Share checks must be distributed to the visiting teams within the following week.**

**11. Tournament results must be passed on to the web-site directors by Sunday following the tournament.**

**12. A check for 10 percent of the total gate receipts (Scholarship Fund) must be mailed to the WMLG Wrestling board secretary within a week following the tournament.**

**13. A check for the medals used for the tournament must be mailed to the WMLG Wrestling board secretary within a week following the tournament. (the amount for the unused medals may be deducted from this check, and the unused medals should be returned to the secretary)**

**14. Read the pre-tournament announcement to the fans before each group starts their competition.**

**15. Remind coaches that eight placers in each weight group in the Novice and Middle Groups advance to the WMC, and all Junior Group wrestlers advance regardless of their placement.**

**BEGINNER GROUP FORMAT**

**1. It is suggested that Unit Tournaments should run the Beginner Group last as there is not an on-site weigh in nor a bracketed tournament for that group.**

**2. Coaches must have the weight class marked on one hand of the wrestler and the ranking (1 to 3 “one being the best”) on the other hand.**

**3. Wrestlers will be called to a staging area and placed in groups of four (using the ranking)**

**4. Each group of four will be taken to a mat to wrestle a Round Robin competition (each wrestler going against all of the other three)**

**5. At the conclusion of each match, the table scorer will mark the hands of the wrestlers with a marker. (blue for the winner and red for the loser)**

**6. At the conclusion of the last (3rd) match the scorer will give the wrestler with the most blue marks a Blue ribbon, and the others a Red ribbon. If there is a tie for the most blue marks, award two blue ribbons.**

**7. When that group of four is done with their round robin matches, they are done with competition for the day.**

**8. This is the final competition for the Beginner Group.**