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This year was North's eighth trip to Penn Manor High School for the Comet Classic. The Indians managed a 8th place finish out of the strong field of 28 teams. This tournament always provides some really great competition and it's great for the competitors. For the spectators, not so much. Lack of crowd control and a match board that couldn't be read from the stands made it very difficult to follow or see some of the matches. Folks would say, "well after all it's supposed to be for the wrestlers." True but it's the spectators that pay for it, so a little consideration would be nice. all that said, the Indians had a great showing.

**Luke Lucerne** (132) pinned his first opponent in 1:47 and then repeated with a fall in the quarter finals. **Luke's** toughest test came in the semis with a smartly wrestled 3-2 decision over a tough wrestler from Selinsgrove. He capped off the day with a 15-5 decision win in the finals to capture his 3rd consecutive Comet Classic Championship in as many years.

**Kyle Hauserman** (113) started the tournament with a 0:08 pin over the host school's thirteen pounder. If you would have blinked you would have missed it. **Kyle** made it to the finals with pins in both the quarters and semis. There he met up with Tal-Reese Fleming. An undefeated senior from Bethlehem Liberty. A really tough, well fought contest with **Kyle** coming out on the short end of the 2-1 decision and he had to settle for second place for the second time in two years. Ironically, it was Fleming that **Kyle** lost to last year in the finals to finish in 2nd place.

**Dillon Sheehy** (170) like Luke and Kyle, **Dillon** started with a pin in his initial bout. He followed with another pin in the quarter finals and a 9-2 decision win in the semis to advance to the finals. There he matched up with Coy Bastian from Selinsgrove. It was tied 7-7 after three periods. Bastian got a take down in the first period of overtime and **Dillon** would end up tournament runner up. A big improvement over the last two years where he didn't place at all.

**Anthony Burke** (106) won his first bout with a 9-2 win over a wrestler from Washington, West Virginia also named Burke. In the quarter finals **Anthony** lost 5-4 and dropped to the wrestle backs. He took a 5-2 decision over the wrestler from Upper Perkiomen then lost 4-2 in the consolation semifinals which set him up to wrestle for 5th place. In that bout **Anthony** lost 11-4 to the wrestler from Exeter and had to settle for 6th place. A great tournament for the freshman light weight.

**Sammy Hayes** (152) won his opener with by a 11-6 decision. He followed that with an 8-4 win in the quarterfinals to advance to the Semis. **Sammy** lost in the semifinals to Avon Grove's Nick Barnhart, the eventual tournament champion. He lost his first bout in the consolation semi finals which meant he'd be wrestling for 5th or 6th place. In that bout he outscored Penn Manor's Colt Barley 9-2 to take 5th, his best Comet Classic finish.

Others notables;

<b>Larry Tsai</b> (138)	2-2
<b>Dan Fitzgerald</b> (126)	1-2
<b>Max Harar</b> (285)	1-2

On Wednesday North will meet South for the Unity Cup. This is always a great outing. Get there early there will be a Newtown Middle School versus Holland Middle match at the same time as the JVs at 5:30pm. Should be a lot of fun. Varsity at 7:00pm. GO INDIANS!