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PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING LEAGUE TO LAUNCH IN 2025 AND HOLD “PREVIEW” TOURNAMENT THIS SUMMER

Ashburn, VA—A professional wrestling league featuring many of the sport’s top stars is preparing to launch in 2025 with its inaugural draft and initial season. The Champions League of American Wrestling, LLC (CLAW) will feature six teams competing in dual meets that lead to playoffs and the Super Dual Championship. Modified wrestling rules dramatically increase action, scoring and fan engagement.

To raise awareness among athletes and fans, the league will host the CLAW INVITATIONAL on June 22-23, 2024. Senior-level and collegiate athletes will compete in 8 weight classes in Ashburn, Virginia. Tournament finalists will be drafted by celebrity coaches representing two future CLAW franchises, the Enforcers and Cradle City Cicadas. The Finals are expected to feature some of the best wrestlers in the nation and will be professionally produced by Ross Production Services and streamed for free on social media. The broadcaster team includes popular announcers Shane Sparks and Mike Malinconico (“Mike Mal”). Event sponsors include Spartan Combat, J.P. Morgan Advisors, Top of the Podium, and Dollamur Sports Services.

Commissioner Tom Houck stated, “Wrestling can be a hugely popular spectator sport if presented differently. By focusing on what fans enjoy and want, top athletes can be paid what they deserve and fans can finally enjoy a bona fide professional league. This summer’s tourney allows viewers to see why so many people believe CLAW is a game-changer for our sport.”

CLAW director and Penn State All-American wrestler Eric Brugel adds, “The new rules are exciting. In over 50 test matches with D1 and senior-level wrestlers, we’ve seen nearly three times more scoring than in a typical NCAA tournament match. It’s real wrestling but faster paced and more fun to watch.”

Tickets for the Championship Finals and Consolation Finals are now on sale. For more information, visit www.wrestleclaw.com or CLAW’s social media sites.

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