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Kennedy broke out the white singlets for its Senior Night meet against Jefferson.

It was not a white flag of surrender.

Kennedy routed Jefferson, 45-25, Thursday night in a Mississippi Valley Conference wrestling meet at Kennedy.

Kennedy won the first seven matches before forfeiting to Jefferson's Conner Herman at 215. The J-Hawks' Riley Welsh pinned Jake Dunne at heavyweight and Griffin Bollman received a forfeit at 103.

Kennedy won eight of the matches contested, Jefferson three.

Key matches for Kennedy included 145-pound senior Logan Kubovec winning over Dylan Moenck, 6-2.

"I just wanted to dominate—he beat me before earlier in the year," said Kubovec. "I wanted to give the crowd what they came to see."

Senior Jordan Baskerville, who has been out five weeks with an injury, was back on the mat in style. He was hungry for a win and dominated Drake Allen in their 160-pound match with a major decision, 11-1.

"I'm just glad I got the win on senior night," said Baskerville. He said the waiting was difficult, watching "could-be-wins go by."

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Senior Zach Deitrich followed with a pin of freshman Josh Allen at 171.

"This is the last match under the lights at home," said Deitrich. "I went out there to dominate, especially Senior Night."

For senior Ryan Sheldon it was business as usual. Although he moved up a weight to 189, Sheldon ran his record to 21-1 with a pin of Brandon Leary.

"Work as hard as you can every single day. Don't let a day go by because every day counts," Sheldon said of his philosophy on the mat.

Kennedy also won the junior varsity meet, 38-27.

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103--Bollman (J) won by forfeit; 112—Moss (K) tech fall over Hensel, 18-1; 119—Rashed (J) dec. Waterhouse, 9-1; 125—Ruzicka (K) dec. Moncivais, 12-5; 130—Carson (J) dec. Feuerhelm 4-3; 135--Kremer (K) won by forfeit; 140--Rodriguez (K) pinned Boesenberg, 3:49; 145—Kubovec (K) dec. Moenck, 6-2; 152—Williams (K) pinned Boesenberg, 3:54; 160—Baskerville (K) major dec. D.Allen , 11-1; 171—Deitrich (K) pinned J.Allen, 2:36; 189—Sheldon (K) pinned Leary, 1:52; 215—Herman (J) won by forfeit; 285--Welsh (J) pinned Dunne, 2:45 .

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