

SPORTS

TD swimmers make it work at two road events

Riverhawk boys and girls get second at Barlow dual, third in La Grande

■ Ray Rodriguez
The Dalles Chronicle

The Dalles Riverhawks traveled to Sam Barlow High School to compete against 6A teams from Sandy and Sam Barlow in a three-team dual last Thursday and both groups placed second overall in the meet.

"This was probably the best meet we have had so far this year," TD head coach Derek Shortt said. "Our swimmers posted personal bests in 23 individual events. Additionally, the girls 200-yard medley relay team and the boys 400-yard freestyle team swam their best times."

On the 200-yard medley squad were Kendall Webber, Hannah Haight, Bree Webber and Lydia DiGennaro. They produced a 2:11.82 to take third place, while the boys group consisting of Bryce Harris, Xander Kirby, Michael Cole and Will Evans churned out a 3:49.30, which placed them first overall.

"The men were slightly behind the Sam Barlow relay team for the last 100 yards,"



The Dalles' 200-yard freestyle relay team picked up first-place honors at Sam Barlow Thursday with a season-best time of 2:11.82. In the photo are, from left to right, Kennedy Abbas, Lydia DiGennaro, Kendall Webber and Bree Webber. Pat Shortt/Contributed photo

coach Shortt said. "Will hit the water as the anchor swimmer and had a blistering 54-second split, pulling ahead of the last Sam Barlow swimmer for a come-from-behind first-place finish."

DiGennaro maintained her scorching efforts in the 50-yard freestyle, where she pulled out a victory after her 26.78, and the freshman earned second place in the 100-yard backstroke 1:13.22.

Kendall Webber slashed 7.76 seconds off her previous 500-yard freestyle time for second place with a 5:57.26, Haight scored third (6:41.29) and Paige Compton notched fifth place (6:54.50), both personal-best times in the event.

Addison Little racked up a pair of personal records in both of her individual events, cutting seven seconds

off of her 100-yard freestyle time (1:19.40) and adding a three-second improvement in the 100-yard backstroke (1:38.63).

Also scoring two personal records on the day was senior Hanna Rodriguez, who did it in both the 200-yard (2:13.72) and 100-yard freestyles (1:15.19).

Kendall Webber placed second in the 200-yard freestyle (2:11.72), and in the same event, Compton rallied to a fifth-place mark of 2:38.17.

Abbas secured third place in the 100-yard freestyle (1:03.86) and fifth in the 200-yard individual medley (2:47.23), Haight scored third in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:22.15), and the girls 400-yard freestyle relay team of Haight, Lydia

Evans, Compton and Abbas combined for a 4:49.05 to get third place.

Taking third place in the 200-yard freestyle relay were Rodriguez, Lydia Evans, Izabella Montesanti and Compton (2:17.50).

Bree Webber placed fifth in the 50-yard freestyle (30.35), Frances Fuller hit for fifth in the junior varsity 50-yard butterfly (55.12) and fifth in the junior varsity 50-yard freestyle (39.32), and the 400-yard freestyle relay race, Fuller, Little, Izabella Montesanti and Rodriguez had a fifth-place marker of 5:50.07.

"We were a bit taken aback, but super happy, by how well the kids swam today," said assistant coach Pat Shortt. "The kids have been putting in some hard workouts with a lot of yardage for the past

couple of weeks. Usually this is the point in the season where we see a lot of plateaus in terms of times."

On the boys side, Harris, Skyler Coburn, Cole and Evans hit top honors in the 200-yard freestyle relay (1:41.84), and the group of Grant Loughmiller, Jose Reyes, Drew Evans and Jacob Comini ended up fifth in the same event (2:11.04).

In the 200-yard medley relay, Coburn, Hoover, Kirby and Jonathan Snodgrass teamed up for a 2:11.71 to snag third place.

Harris tacked on a winning effort in the 100-yard freestyle (55.73), and Will Evans was second (24.90), Harris placed third (25.43) and Cole ended up fifth (26.33) in the 50-yard freestyle. Cole added a runner-up outcome in the

100-yard butterfly (1:08.91), and Evans added a second in the 200-yard freestyle (2:45.79).

Reyes claimed second place in the junior varsity 50-yard freestyle (37.77), Coburn and Kirby finished fourth and fifth, respectively, in the 200-yard individual medley, with Coburn putting up a 2:42.64 and Kirby timing out in 2:43.71.

Comini grabbed fourth place in the 100-yard freestyle (1:04.01) and notched fourth place (1:18.96) in the 100-yard backstroke.

Hoover swam to a personal-record 1:07.74 to get fifth in the 100-yard freestyle, Loughmiller turned in a sixth-place time of 1:46.55 in the 100-yard backstroke, and

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The Dalles girls off to historic league start

Team beats Pendleton on road for first time since Feb. 12, 2014

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Kilee Hoylman scored 18 point, grabbed seven rebounds and had two assists and Rainie Codding tacked on 10 points and three boards as The Dalles girls basketball team defeated Pendleton on the road for the first time since Feb. 12, 2014, 37-32, in Intermountain Conference action Friday.

That win also marks the first time since the 2013-2014 campaign that TD has started league action with a 3-0 record.

The final score is much closer than what the first three quarters showed, as the Riverhawks started the first two frames with runs of 12-3 and 13-3 to jump ahead by a 25-6 halftime margin.

The Dalles led 33-13 through three periods, but Pendleton made things interesting with a 19-4 fourth-quarter flurry for the final margin.

In all, the No. 20-ranked

Hawks sank 11 field goals, five 3-pointers, and made 10 of 19 from the line.

Lauryn Belanger chipped in four points, three rebounds and two assists, Gus Decker drained a second-quarter deep ball for her three points to go along with two rebounds and three assists, and Jenna Miller hit two fourth-quarter free throws and totaled two points and added two rebounds, three steals, three assists and five pass deflections.

"The girls played great and they were up the entire game," TD head coach Brian Stevens said. "We were very patient and passed the ball well. The girls are excited about this start of league."

Pendleton hit 10 field goals, five 3-pointers, and made 7 of 10 free throws. Muriel Hoisington posted a team-high 11 points, and both Chloe Taylor and Daisy Jenness went for eight points apiece.

The Dalles Riverhawks (9-8 overall, 3-0 league) hosted No. 12 Ridgeview (11-6, 3-0) Tuesday in their first home game since Jan. 14. After that, they are in Hood River (1-14, 0-3) with a start time of 6:30

p.m. Friday.

Hot shooting lifts Pendleton over TD boys

No. 9 Pendleton jumped ahead 47-23 at the half and then went on a 22-14 third quarter spurt to take a 69-37 lead entering the fourth quarter in an 83-59 Intermountain Conference boys basketball game Friday in Pendleton.

All told, TD hit 25 of 64 from the floor, 2 of 17 from long distance, and made 7 of 9 free throws.

Styles DeLeon led the Hawks with 22 points, four rebounds, an assist, a steal and a blocked shots, and Jacob Hernandez, who missed most of the opening half due to a cut on his head, added 14 points, three rebounds and assist and a steal.

Spencer Taylor had eight points and six boards, Conner Cummings tallied six points, Jaxon Pullen tacked on four points and three steals and the duo of Shane Floyd and Dalles Seufalemua contributed five points, six rebounds and an assist to round out the leading scorers.

Tanner Sweek totaled 22 points, Dakota Sams dropped



The Dalles teammates Kilee Hoylman, on left, and Lauryn Belanger go up for a rebound in Friday's Intermountain Conference girls basketball game at Pendleton. The Dalles defeated Pendleton on the road for the first time since Feb. 12, 2014. Kathy Aney/East Oregonian

16 and Stockton Hoffman went off for 10 points to lead the Bucks, who made 37 field goals, six 3-pointers, and hit 3

of 6 from the line.

Up next, the Riverhawks (7-11 overall, 1-2 league), tied for fourth in the IMC,

were in Ridgeview (3-13, 0-3) Tuesday and hosts Hood River (8-7, 1-2) at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 7.

Mother Nature gives TD skiers a big challenge

Five individuals put together two-run times at Ski Bowl East

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The weather was warm and rainy at Ski Bowl for the Challenger Course at Mount Hood Meadows.

Lucy Booth, Hannah Biehn and Ella Smith all had top-20 times and Grey Roetiscoender and Paul Kelly led The Dalles boys ski team in Saturday's slalom race.

"A lot of preparation was put into the race hill named Challenger, and as the name says, it was a challenger both physically (icy and long course), and mentally, with rain sometimes coming down sideways," TD head coach Dane Klindt said.

Booth had the girls team's best finish of the day at 11th place with her first run going for 48.25 seconds, and then she cut down time in the second run (47.82) for a combined final time of 1:36.07.

Biehn then hit the slopes

for a 55.64 opener and added a 53.69 to get a 1:49.33 and 16th place.

Smith motored to a 1:51.56 by following up a 55.15 first run with a 56.41 to take 19th place out of 20 two-run finishers.

"Lucy stepped up and skied a great race," Klindt said. "Right behind her was Hannah. She has been working hard on her technique and it's really starting to show. Ella completed both her runs to give the girls their three times for a team score."

The other 60 skiers were either disqualified, did not start or did not finish, including TD's duo of Fiona Dunlop and Ashley Quisenberry, who did not finish her first attempt, but had a second-run mark of 55.69.

"Ashley fell during her first run and then came back in her second try to get under a minute," Klindt said. "I was proud of all the girls. It was icy and they all stepped up to the challenge."

Hood River Valley posted four top-7 participants, with Eva Jones and Marisa Riggert ending up inside the final three places.

In two runs, Jones tallied a 1:23.17 to nab second place behind Franklin's Annelise

Norkitis (1:21.09).

Riggert ended up third at 1:24.92, Julia Olsen (1:27.76) took sixth, Alessandria Ferrari (1:28.29) notched seventh place to round out the Eagle starters.

Standing out for the Riverhawk boys was Roetiscoender, a freshman.

In his opening attempt, he put up a 50.02 and he tacked on a 51.02 on his second rush to end up at 1:41.04 for 11th place in the field of 85 skiers.

Overall, just 17 participants made it through two runs and Kelly totaled 1:52.94 to get 15th place, first with a 55.81 then wrapping up with a 57.13.

"The boys' standout was Grey. He put two great runs together to get his best finish," Klindt said. "Paul had the only other completed runs, so the team didn't get a score."

Cooper Klindt (53.15, 21st) and Henry Perez (54.33, 24th) each finished their first runs, but were unable to get a second shot. Peyton Beeks did not place initially and went for a 1:01.37 on his second rush, which placed him 24th, and Austin Weir rattled off a 55.17 on his second try after not completing his first dash. "Austin and Peyton had great second run, along with both George Harrison



The Dalles ski team combined to net five two-run efforts in Saturday's slalom race at Ski Bowl East aboard the Challenger Course at Mount Hood Meadows. In the photo are, from left to right, Lucy Booth, Ella Smith, Ashley Quisenberry, Fiona Dunlop, and Hannah Biehn. Lissa Biehn/Contributed photo

and Bucky Wilkinson, who had some great runs going, but struggled in both."

Franklin's Nils Streedain won the boys division after a 1:10.02, and HRV skiers Aidan Gonzales-Haynie (1:34.35) and Parker Dey (1:34.51) had the boys' only two-run efforts.

In the junior varsity event, eighth grade racers Cooper Klindt ended up fifth and Henry Perez got sixth place.

The skiers have a slalom event planned at 9 a.m. Saturday on the Stadium Course, and then they compete in a giant slalom race on the Reynolds Course at Ski Bowl.

Dr. Cullen's Student of the week

Shaelyn Scott for AP English Language:

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