

VHS SENIOR BASKETBALL NIGHT-FEBRUARY 9, 2012



VHS Senior Logger Boys (above from left): Austin Edgar, Finn Hoeck, Josh Butcher, Jerrid Johnston, Alex Lembke, Paul Jiranek, Craig Weller, Byron Weller.



VHS Senior Lady Loggers (left): Stat Girls Lucrece Cheramy, Melissa Charbonneau, Stina Voss and players Shyla Tungwenuk, Robin Elliot, Laura Kaiser, Lea Mari, Kim Allen.

VHS Winter Sports Report-Boys and Girls Basketball in League Playoffs on Feb. 16th

Boys Basketball—Loggers Defeat First Place Falcons, Host Home Playoff Game

It was billed as the final regular season basketball game in the Vernonia Logger Dome and lots of fans young and old turned out to say goodbye. But the historic old Dome isn't done yet.

In an important matchup between the first place Faith Bible Falcons and the second place Vernonia

In a tightly contested game through the first three quarters, Vernonia took control in the final eight minutes in front of a spirited home crowd, with strong rebounding, clutch free throw shooting, and key baskets to secure the win. The Loggers managed the clock, and their lead, in the final minutes, playing smart and opportunistic basketball.

The team was led by Austin Cutright, who had an outstanding performance with 21 points and 12 rebounds. Austin Edgar added 11 points and 8 rebounds, Paul Jiranek made several key free throws down the stretch and Craig Weller, who was hampered with an ankle sprain, still hit several important 3 pointers and helped run the Loggers offense.

The Loggers will look to advance in the league playoffs on February 16 and earn a trip to the state playoffs with a trip to the final eight in Pendleton as the ultimate goal.

Early in the season the Loggers lost for only the second and third times in league play, losing to Gaston 52-51 on January 23, before losing to first place Faith Bible 51-48 on January 30. Gaston also defeated Vernonia on December 13.

The Loggers continued their dominance of the rest of the Northwest League with decisive victories over Portland Christian, Delphian, Knappa, Neah-Kah-Nie, Riverdale and Nestucca. The Loggers end their regular season with a 19-4 overall record, a 13-3 league

record.

Logger head coach David Weller notes that the Loggers have lost their four games this season by a total of 11 points, with two of those losses coming on shots at the final buzzer. "With a couple of different bounces we could easily be 21-0 this year," said Weller. He is excited that the Loggers will have a chance to host a home league playoff game and is also looking at the possibility that if the Loggers make it through the league playoffs than they could potentially host a home state playoff game. "It's been a really long time since that has happened," says Weller.

That would be a great way to close the historic Logger Dome.

Girls Basketball—Lady Loggers Earn Playoff Berth and Face Gaston

The Vernonia Lady Loggers have bounced back from a slow start this season to earn the fifth seed in the 2A Northwest League playoffs.

Finishing their season with an 8-8 league record, Vernonia will travel to face Gaston on Thursday February 16.

After struggling through a tough preseason schedule the Lady Loggers have beaten the teams they should have in a very competitive league and the earned the right to advance into the postseason.

Brown, Cierra Henson and sophomore Stephanie Castro. The season was highlighted by key wins over Neah-Kah-Nie and Faith Bible.

On Senior Night, February 9, the Vernonia crowd said goodbye to a hard working class of senior ladies. Senior Robin Elliot had the honor of singing the National Anthem before the game.

Wrestling—Loggers Head to District Tourney with Strong Lineup

The Vernonia Loggers are preparing for the 2A District 1 Tournament after some very tough competitions.



Paul Jiranek

Loggers in the division 2A Northwest League, the Loggers sent a clear message that they still intend to be a force in the playoffs this year with a decisive 55-45 win on February 9.

The Loggers, who have secured second place in the league, will now host a first round playoff game on Thursday February 16 at the Logger Dome against either Gaston or Portland Christian.



Sammy Morgan

Logger head coach Chris Wolf is very excited about this team and has high expectations for the upcoming District Tournament on February 17-18.

"As a group this is the best team I've ever coached," says Wolf.

The Loggers will have numerous top seeds at the District and Wolf believes as many as 7 or maybe more of his wrestlers could qualify for the State Tournament in Portland on February 24-25. The top two wrestlers in each weight class at the District Meet qualify for the State Tournament.

The Loggers will send a strong and experienced middle line-up to the mat with seniors Ty Talantov at 126, Shylo Dooley at 132, Quin Johansen and Dillon Dethlefs at 145, Joe Benes at 152, Jake Barnes at 160, Kristian Wrendstroem at 170, Jake Stevens at 182 and Brett Benes at 195. Junior Dawson Shay adds depth at 170 and freshman Damian Young has impressed at 126.

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Kim Allen

The Loggers were led this season by seniors Shyla Tungwenuk and Kim Allen along with juniors Samantha Wallace, Samantha Lindauer, Savannah

VHS Alumni Basketball Game

Sat. March 10th 6:00PM

Boys & Girls Varsity vs. Alumni

Last Basketball game in the VHS gym before the building comes down.
Come fill those Logger bleachers one last time, take that last stroll down memory lane.

Tickets:
Adults \$5
6th Grade - High School \$4
K-5th Grade \$3

Raffle, Concessions & Baked Food Table

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