

Roger Wood enters World Barrel Jumping championship

by Mike Hoffman

Senior Roger Wood has combined 5 years of ice skating, 2 years of hockey, miles of running, and 8 months of preparation into qualifying to represent the West Coast in the World Barrel Jumping championships.

Grossinger's Country Club in New York's Catskill mountains hosts the 17th annual event, and Roger has high hopes of becoming a World Champion on December 17.

Barrel jumping is a sport in

which a man on skates attains a high rate of speed and attempts to jump over barrels placed on the ice. The barrels are placed on their sides, not standing erect.

Roger has cleared 15 barrels, and 17 is the world record. When Ken Lebel jumped those 17 barrels he traveled 28 feet, 8 inches in the air.

A 17-year-old senior, Roger was trained by barrel jumper Bob Slayton, who was 8th in 1963. Free ice time is provided for him to practice every day at Valley Ice Arena, Beaverton, where Slayton is assistant manager.

Youngest ever to compete in the championships, Roger was chosen for his "outstanding accomplishments at such a young age," according to the National Winter Sports Association officials.

Roger's accomplishments are startling when compared to the average development of the past and present champions. Past champions have cleared 12 barrels at 17; 15 by the time they were 23 or 24. Roger has gone 15, and hopes to clear 16 before



ROGER WOOD grimaces as he soars over 16 barrels, a new personal high, at Valley Ice Arena, where he practices daily. Seventeen barrels is the world record.

Generals garner state meet berth by running to second place in city

by Mike Cochrane

Tomorrow Grant, Marshall, Madison, and Cleveland will represent the city in the State cross country meet to be held at Willamette university.

Corvallis high school is the heavy favorite to repeat as champions. The Spartans, who took the state title last year, have 6 of last year's top 7 runners back.

Earlier this season in a meet at Wilson, Corvallis defeated both Marshall and Grant, which seems to dim the city league's hopes for an upset. A-1 action is slated to start at 10:15 a.m.

Last Friday, the Generals came close to capturing the city cross country title, as Marshall high school edged the second place harriers 66-71 at Wilson.

Senior Kevin Munson paced the Generals' attack as he placed ninth out of a field of over 70 runners. His time was 13.42 seconds for the 2.5 mile course. Close behind Munson was Bruce McCormach, who finished tenth with a time of 13.44 seconds.

Outrunning teammate and last year's city champ Tom Taylor, Steve Squires scored an upset victory as he won the individual title.

Both Squires, Taylor and Cleveland's Gary Purpura were closely bunched throughout the

entire race, but Squires poured it on in the final stretch to edge Taylor and Purpura with a time of 12:58.5 seconds. Taylor and Purpura finished second and third respectively as each posted the identical time of 12:59.0 seconds flat.

"They just go out and compete against each other. I think that's what makes them tougher," commented Marshall Coach Dan Francis on his two aces.

Rounding out the top scorers for the G-men were Kirk Breese, 13th; Bruce Bromely, 20th; Ardy Ison, 21st; Greg Shukart, 45th and Bill Francis, 50th.

Chuck Kinsey won in the "A" division as the Generals scored an admirable 17 points to stifle all other competitors and win the city title. Following Kinsey was Greg Edwards, second; Mike Dunn, third; Doug Dahlstrom, fifth; and Steve Tryer, sixth.

At the junior varsity level John Hamilton and Pete Erikson ran first and second to lead the Sergeants to victory.

Their victory was not as easy as the "A" team. Marshall, fielding a strong team, nearly beat the JV's, as they scored 39 points to the Sergeants' 37 point total. The remaining finishers were Steve Gerrard, fourth; Bob Wilson, fourteenth and Bob Smythe, sixteenth.

Continuing the winning ways were the frosh as they showed their supremacy by scoring 32 points to second place Wilson's 61 points.

Tim Myers finished first for the Privates, but was closely followed by Steve Crane who placed second. Dan Johnson placed eighth, Pat Daggett tenth and John Othus finished eleventh to complete the frosh scores.

Boys' league golf meet to be at Broadmoor

Boys will have the opportunity to display their golfing prowess tomorrow, when the fourth annual Boys' league golf tournament tees off at Broadmoor golf course.

Starting times have been reserved from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. and the low scorers will receive certificates. Spectators are welcome, according to Boys' league president Paul Farnham.

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Generals clash with Trojans; hold slim hopes for state meet

by Mike Hoffman

Entertaining the slimmest of title hopes, the Generals will play Wilson on the Lincoln field tonight at 8 p.m.

Lincoln needs a victory over Roosevelt to clinch a tie for the city league title and a state tourney spot, due to their previous victory over the Generals.

If the Cards are upset by the winless Teddies and Coach Wolf's forces win, they will gain the state A-1 quarterfinal berth against Hillsboro.

Tonight's game must not be taken lightly, for the Trojans are no powder-puff team. Their beefy line is led by all city defensive end Ed Messinger and 265 pound Frank Bowlby.

Sporting a 4 win, 3 loss record, the Trojans are tied with Washington in league standings. They got there on the running of halfbacks Jim Briggs, Steve Peterson and Chuck Loeffel, according to Coach Stan Stanton.

Quarterback Scott Park and Loeffel are able passers and end Chick Preston has caught a touchdown pass from both of them.

Defense has sparked Wilson on numerous occasions, headed by Bowlby and Don Sitko. The Trojans recently intercepted 5 passes to top Marshall, and Sitko has a 55 yard touchdown on a steal to his credit.

In their last outing, the Trojans were topped by Beaverton, 13-7, to run the Metro league record to 8-2 over city opposition. Loeffel fired a 33 yard scoring pass to Preston for Wilson's lone score.

Marshall took the loss in last Saturday's General victory. Onia Bates scored on a 48 yard punt return to spur the 21-6 win. Bob Ewen hit 3 of 5 passes, two for touchdowns, to John Devaney and Harry Whitney.

Speed skates are used in barrel jumping, and a protective helmet is worn, for speeds in excess of 50 miles per hour are reached over the barrels.

In long distance jumps, they do not land on their feet, so a protective padding is worn for landing.

Competition will be covered by television and theatre newsreels, including the American Broadcasting company's "Wide World of Sports."

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