

Only one game out of first

Pioneers collect two victories, face Central, Sweet Home

The Sandy Pioneers with their wins over McMinnville and Canby this week and with the help of Estacada have moved back into contention for the first half division title.

The two wins give the Pioneers a 3-2 record leaving

them behind Molalla 4-1 and Estacada 3-1. The Rangers beat the Indians Tuesday night to help tighten the race.

Overall the Pioneers will go into games this week with Central and Sweet Home with the division's best season

record. The Pioneers stand 6-2 for the season while Estacada is next with a 5-2 season record. Only the games played in league action will count towards the division title.

Central will bring a winless record to Sandy Friday night

and the Pioneers are favored to win. But even with a 0-7 record the Pioneers can not afford to overlook the Panthers, according to Sandy coach Jim Kitchen.

"Central has lost all their games, but all the losses have been by only a few points," said Kitchen. "The team plays fastbreak and a full court pressure defense. At the start of the season, they were one of the favorites along with Molalla and Estacada in our division."

Tuesday night's game at Sweet Home is another game the Pioneers should be favored to win, but again the Huskies 1-7 season record does not show

Nippert and his teammates were behind 14-10 at the first quarter break and then exploded in the second quarter to take a 32-20 halftime lead and were never headed again.

The Pioneers making use of a good defense moved to a 38-28 third quarter lead as they dropped the Cougars record to 3-2 in league play. The same as the Pioneers record.

In fact, the Sandy defense was so tough in the game that the Cougars failed to have one player break into the double figures scoring column.

Other scorers for Sandy were Ralph Peterson 5, Turin 6, Joe DeMarsh 6, Gary Blount 6, Randy Bryant 1, Steve Konell 2, Dave Edmonds 4, Steve Aubin and Jay Gynther.

In the win over McMinnville the Pioneers jumped to a 35-19 halftime lead and then had to hang on for a 57-51 victory.

Although the Pioneers committed 18 turnovers, Kitchen was pretty well pleased with his team's effort. Especially the play of Bryant who came off the bench and scored 10 points and collected 9 rebounds.

"We got into trouble early when Nippert got into foul trouble and later when he fouled out," said Kitchen. "But the play of the whole team and especially Bryant who replaced Nippert provided us with this win."

For the game, the Pioneers hit 46 per cent from the field and outrebounced the Grizzlies 37 to 31.

Top scorer for Sandy was DeMarsh with 13 points. He was followed by Turin 12, Bryant 10, Peterson 8, Nippert 8, Blount 4, Gynther 4, Konell, Aubin and Edmonds.

One sour note about the McMinnville game was it marked the first game the Pioneers played without the service of substitute forward senior Gary Schwartz. He will probably be lost for the season with a broken hand.

"The loss of Schwartz definitely hurts our bench strength," said Kitchen. "He was starting to play his best ball for us when the accident happened."

Schwartz broke his hand in a physical education class early last week.

JV's split two games

The Sandy JV basketball team collected a win at Canby Tuesday after dropping a 45 to 38 verdict to McMinnville.

The Pioneers edged the Cougars 27 to 26 in an error prone game after taking a 10 to 8 halftime lead.

Sandy JV coach Dennis Warren credited the defensive play of his team as being a prime factor in causing many of the errors by the Canby team.

In the loss to McMinnville, high scorer for Sandy was John Miller with 11 points. He was followed by Hayes 9, Jackson 5, Dahrens 4, Keopke 3, Alps 1, Sheppard 1, Lundy 4, Covey, and Zimmerman.

Jackson was the top rebounder with seven and Dahrens was top in assists with four.

The Pioneers will play Central here Friday and Sweet Home there on Tuesday. The games begin at 6 p.m.

SNOWMOBILE RESCUED

COOPER SPUR: The T-bar and rope tow finally went into operation last weekend with about a foot of snow covering a solid three-inch ice base. The ski school opened with 200 students who gained their first taste of skiing under perfect snow conditions, but under cold temperatures that kept them hopping to keep warm. But the sunshine was bright and the skies were blue. Manager Jack Baldwin had to rescue a snowmobile last week. A pair of snowmobilers made their way up the Cloud Cap road to the timberline level where one machine broke down.

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Twenty seven pedestrians were killed on Portland streets last year. Many of them were hit in periods of poor visibility. The Portland Traffic Safety Commission urges all pedestrians to make sure oncoming traffic can see them before they step off the curb.



DAN TURIN gets jump shot off avoiding defense of McMinnville players. Sandy teammates Jay Gynther (10) and Ralph

Peterson (40) watch the action. The Pioneers travel to Sweet Home Tuesday following Friday's game here with Central. (Post photo)

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SANDY FABRIC CENTER

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RANDY BRYANT (20) gets two of his 10 points on this jump shot over the defense of a McMinnville player Friday night. Bryant came off the bench to spark the Pioneer offense when starting center Alan Nippert got into foul trouble. The Pioneers won the game 57-51 and meet Central here Friday.

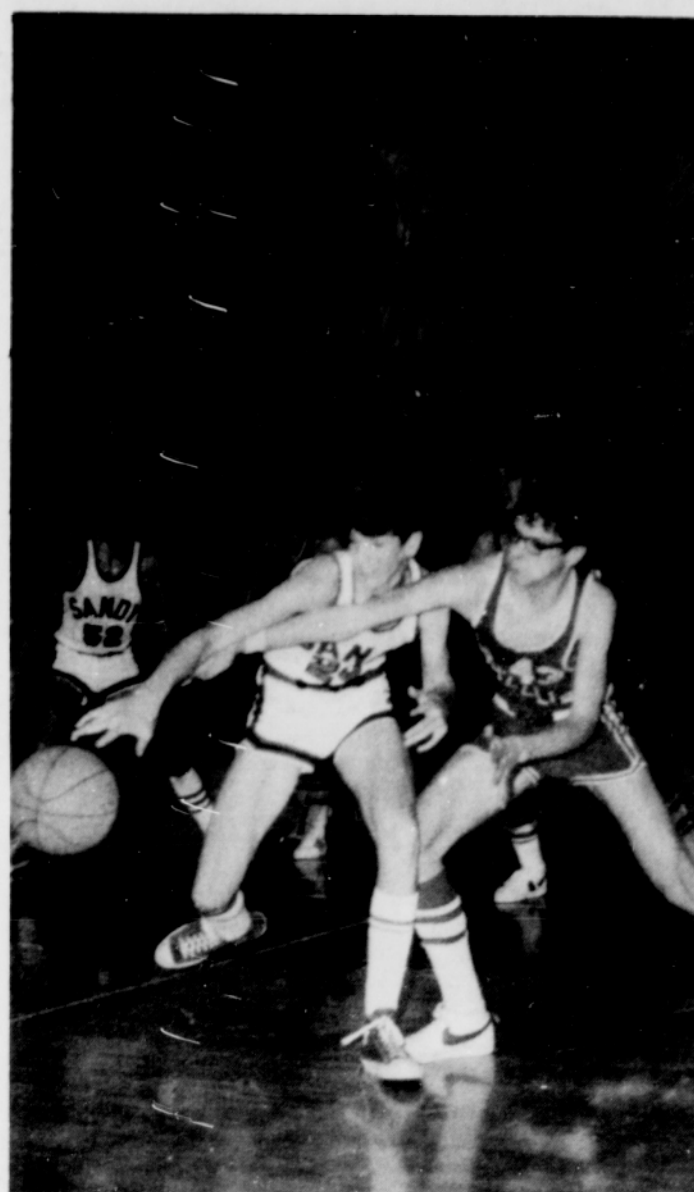
(Post photo)

Stereo lifted

Speakers and stereo equipment valued at \$405 were reported stolen from the William A. Klann residence, 19850 SE Stark St. Wednesday night, Jan. 3, according to sheriff's reports.

Ring missing

A diamond ring valued at \$350 was reported stolen from the Charlene Johnson residence, 3335 SE 180th Ave. Saturday, Jan. 6, according to sheriff's reports.



SANDY'S RANDY Bryant battles for loose ball with McMinnville player. The Pioneers won the game and evened their league mark at 2-2 before the game with Canby on Tuesday night.

(Post photo)

Saint skiers win meet

Chill winds didn't cool off the Mt. Hood ski team over the weekend as Saint skiers for the second year in a row won their own invitational tournament.

The temperature read six degrees below zero.

Mt. Hood men claimed overall title after three days of slalom, giant slalom and cross country competition. Central Oregon Community College claimed the women's team title.

"The meet went quite well," said Saint coach Chuck Dalich. "though we could have used a little more snow."

Dalich and his team have had little time except for skiing and classes during the past week as preparation for the meet was under way.

Team scores showed Mt. Hood with 51 followed by University of Oregon with 83.

In novice classes Randy Lenz of Mt. Hood led the men's division. Saint Cliff Mann won the men's Skimeister award with a win in the slalom, a fourth in the giant slalom and a 16th in cross country.

Jim Abel took fifth in the cross country with a 36 min. 2 second run. John Adamson was sixth and Jim Hale seventh for Mt. Hood.

In the giant slalom Loren Shumway tied for fifth with a run of 50 seconds flat. Brad Hadfield placed 22nd in the giant slalom.

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Fun in The Sun TRAVEL BRIEFING

The travel briefing for those planning to go and for those interested in learning more about the Sandy Post trip to Spain this Spring is set for Saturday, Jan. 13. The meeting will be held in the basement of the Sandy city hall.

The briefing will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The briefing will feature a movie on the trip and more information materials will be available. Also there will be refreshments.

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Wms. Thriftway	6	0
Dea's In & Out	4	2
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High team game and series: Jennie Welch's Antiques 895; Williams Thriftway 2,578.		

Early Birds Jan. 8, 1973		
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Sunset Theatre	2	1
Fanning Chev	2	1
Swails Plbg	1	2
Hide-away Cermes	1	2
Ted's Tackle Shop	1	2
Zig Zag Inn	0	3
High individual game and series: Fern Hunter 204 and 539.		
High team game and series: Sandy Lumber 557 and 1,543.		

Frosh win Canby game

The Sandy frosh upped their winning record this week with a lopsided win over Canby. The frosh team has only one loss this season and won the Canby game 79-22.