

Sandy wrestlers fall 25-24; await tourney, two tough duel matches

The Sandy Pioneers opened their home duel meet wrestling season by dropping an exciting 24-25 match to Evergreen High School.

This meet came down to the final match and heavyweight Geoff Richards needed to pin his opponent to bring the Pioneers a victory. Richards won the match 7-0, but failed to pin his opponent, although he did have the man in a near pin position during the final seconds only to have the buzzer prevent the pin and Sandy team won.

Now the Pioneers must prepare for a tournament and two tough duel matches in the next week.

Sandy will host Redmond, Central and Roosevelt High Schools in a tournament Saturday. Both the JV and varsity teams will be in action and the first matches will get underway at 11 a.m.

"For a full day of wrestling and lots of excitement come to the tournament," said Sandy coach Ron Calhoun.

Calhoun will use this tournament to get his wrestlers

ready for two of their tougher opponents Newberg and Molalla as league action will begin.

Molalla will visit Sandy Dec. 18 with the Pioneers traveling to Newberg on Dec. 21.

Both Molalla and Newberg are traditionally strong and Calhoun and his wrestlers are expecting the same this year.

Both matches will begin at 7 p.m. with the JV and varsity teams will be in action.

Against the Washington state high school, Evergreen, the Pioneers won the JV competition 38-27.

The varsity competition saw the Evergreen team jump out to an early lead and then the Pioneers came on strong to put everything on the line in the final match of the night.

"As I have said all year, the strength of this team is in the middle and upper weights," said Calhoun, "and this meet showed this to be very true. Our team's success will depend on how quickly our young wrestlers develop in the lower weights. We just have to start picking up some points early."

The Pioneers were able to

win only one of the first six weight division matches in this meet and it appeared Evergreen was going to blow the Pioneers off the mats.

The only win in the lower weights was a 3-0 decision by Joie Phillips at 123 lbs. Losses were taken by Dennis Coy 98 lbs., Jim Tinker 106 lbs., Mitch Hughes 115 lbs., Pat Hovada 130 lbs. and Randy Farnier 136 lbs.

The tide started to turn

towards Sandy when Mark Tuttle at 141 lbs. won his match 7-0. This was followed by Martin Richards win by a pin at 148 lbs.

Evergreen picked up another win as Terry Smith 157 lbs. lost, but Sandy's Mark Shearman at 168 lbs. won 9-4 and then Tim Keller moved onto the mat for Sandy and proceeded to pin his man in the first round at 178 lbs.

Eric Lundeen had a chance to

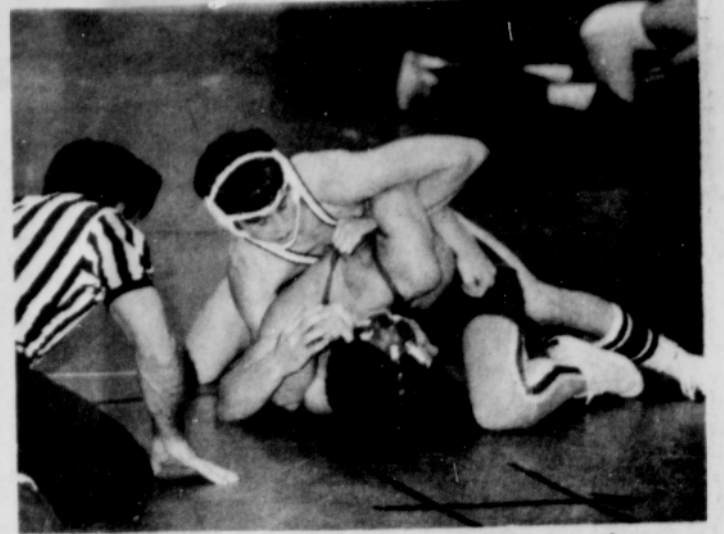
get the Pioneers the lead, but he came up short in the 191 lbs. class.

This left the score Sandy 21 and Evergreen 25 with the final match coming up and everything riding on Geoff Richards.

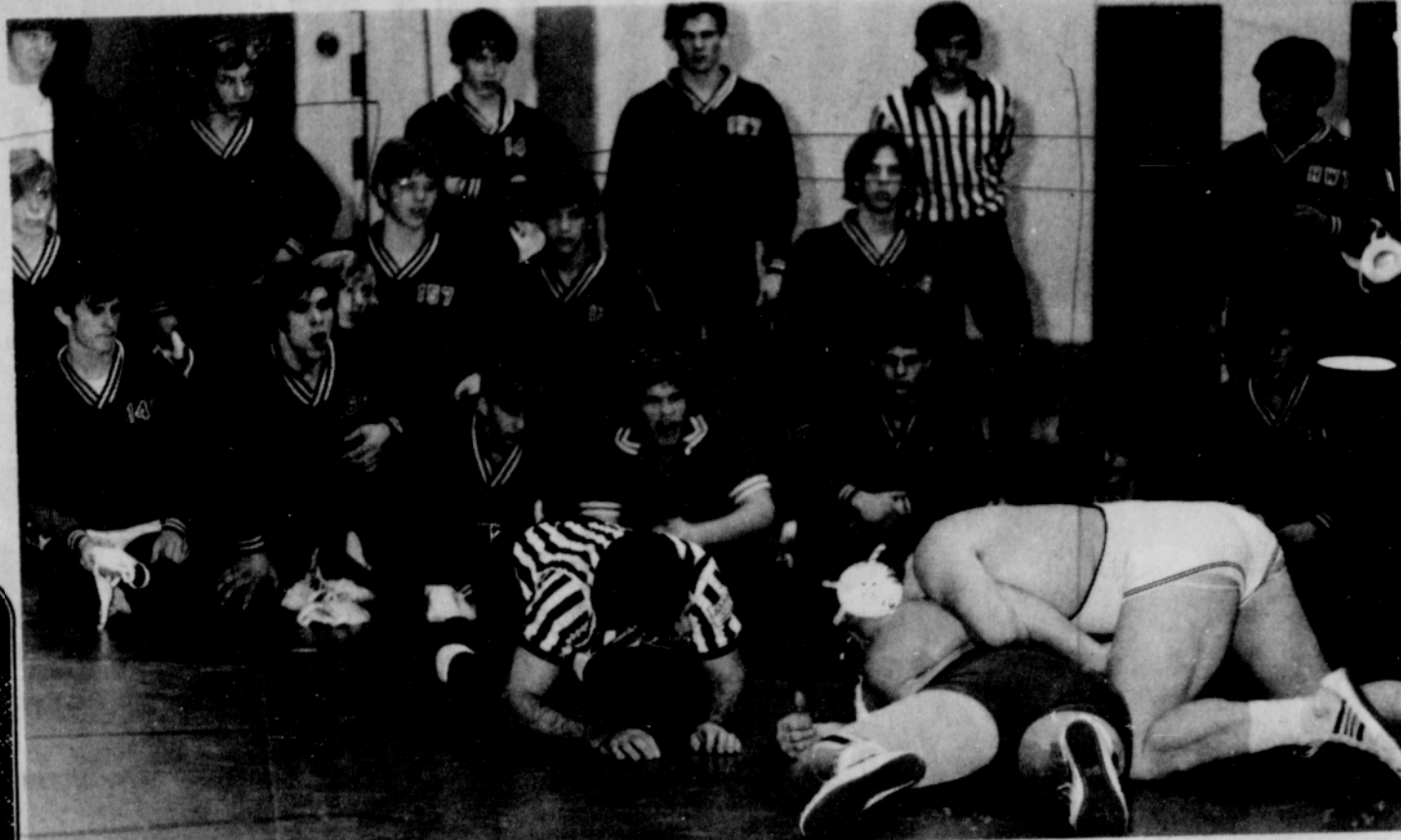
Richards had his man at a near pin position for the final 20 seconds of the match, but the opponent held off until time ran out and saved the victory for

the visiting school. Meanwhile, the JV team won seven matches including three by pins to best their opponents.

Winning for the Pioneers were Dennis DeChenne 123 lbs. by a fall, Dan Dodson 130 lbs., Dan Powers 136 lbs. by a fall, Pat Maroney 148 lbs., Richard Dyal 157 lbs., Dave Dillard 168 lbs., and Tony Castro heavyweight by a fall.

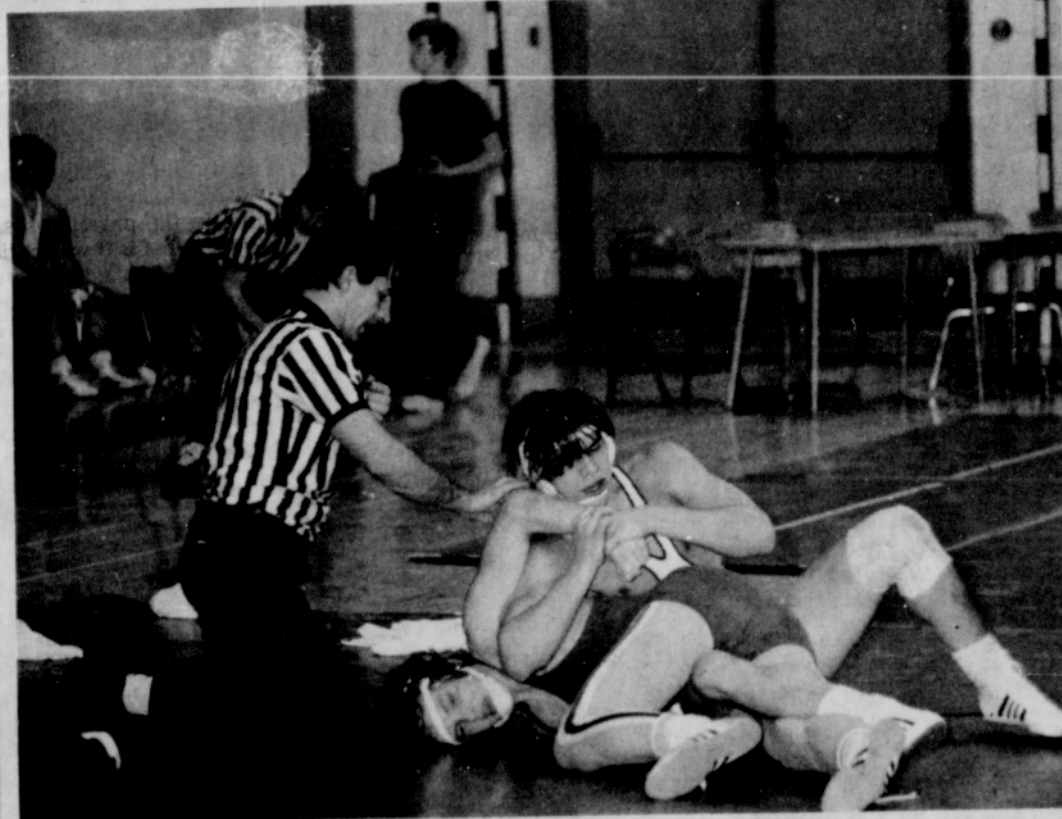


SANDY's MARTIN Richards (on top) was one of two Sandy wrestlers to earn pins in match with Evergreen High School. Richards and Tim Keller got the pins to help the Sandy team score 24 points, but this was not enough as Evergreen collected 25. Richards wrestler at 148 lbs.



HEAVYWEIGHT GEOFF Richards (in white) for Sandy had his man in a near fall position as Pioneer teammates cheer him on to make the pin. But Richards was unable to overcome his opponent to get the fall which would have

won the meet for the Sandy team over Evergreen last Friday here. Richards did win the match handily. The Sandy team lost 25-24 to the school from Washington state



SANDY'S MARK Shearman (in white) has the referee check his hold on opponent in match with Evergreen High School. Shearman won the match 9-4 in the 168 lb. weight class. The next meet for Sandy is a tournament here Saturday at 11 a.m. (Post Photo)

Sandy grade sets wrestling tournament

Sandy Grade School will host a wrestling tournament Sat., Dec. 15, from 1:30 to 3:30, in the upper grade gym. About 200 seventh and eighth grade wrestlers from Molalla, Woodburn, and Silverton and

Sandy will participate. The tournament is open to the public, and there will be no admission charge. Sandy Elementary is the only grade school in the area with a wrestling program.

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High individual game and series: Marge Jarvis 212; Mary Schmidt 578.		
High team game and series: Charles's Place 768; Cat's Meow 2116.		

Scouts have snow outing

Boy Scouts from Troop 176, along with Webelos from Pack 248, spent a weekend in the snow. They attended a winter campout at White River Lodge at Mt. Hood, Dec. 1 and 2.

Currently, the scouts are selling decorative candles for \$1.25 each, to raise funds.

Cobra Patrol won first place in uniform inspection for the troop. Randy Lemon was judged best dressed. Every judge was inspected by John Foster, executive director, and Ben Spahr commissioner, judges from the Thunderbird District.

New scouts for troop 176 are Ken Bourgo and Enville Loftis. Troop 176 would like to thank the Community Presbyterian Church for their \$50 contribution.

The troop would appreciate any donations of scout clothing equipment or camping gear. They are willing to pay a small price. Call Scoutmaster Bob Bogle at 668-4851 after 6:00 p.m.

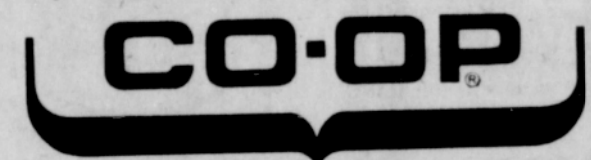


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Locals to wrestle So. African stars

A group of all-star wrestlers from South Africa will be matched against local prep standouts on Jan. 5 at Corbett High School as part of a cultural exchange program.

Top wrestlers from Centennial, Reynolds, Gresham, Barlow, Sandy and Corbett high schools will go against the South Africans beginning at 8 p.m. It will be the only match in this area for the foreigners who will travel the state during January.

"They are always outstanding wrestlers and this is supposed to be their best team ever," said Keith Leamon, who is organizing the match at Corbett.

In 1969-70 a team toured Oregon from South Africa and thoroughly dominated their opponents. For example, they defeated a team from Clackamas-Milwaukie by a score of, 8½-½, and a team from Eugene by the same score.

"We have not done well against these teams in the past, but it is always a tremendous experience for the kids and a great demonstration of Olympic freestyle wrestling," said Leamon.

The South African team will come from Pendleton about noon on Saturday, Jan. 5, and

will be shown the local area by Corbett students.

After the wrestling match, they will be given a party, and then leave for Salem next day.

"Wrestling is secondary in this cultural exchange program," added Leamon. "They will stay with host families in the Corbett area and get a chance to see our way of life."

Admission funds from the match will go into the cultural exchange program which sends Oregon teams to foreign countries like the trip to Japan last year.

Shearman to wrestle

Sandy wrestler Mark Shearman has been selected to wrestle in international competition on Jan. 5.

The Pioneer wrestler will compete at Corbett against a visiting team from South Africa. Shearman will be in the 178 lb. class.

His opponent is a 19-year-old who is the two time national champ of South Africa.

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