

## No-Stars set faculty game

The faculty of Sandy High School will host the KGW No-Stars in a benefit basketball game Monday at 8 p.m. The game will be played in the Sandy High gym.

The No-Stars are a collection of employees and friends of KGW, an AM radio station in Portland. Their touring team plays faculties from schools around the northwest.

Proceeds for the event will go to the Sandy High choir.

## Paola's 29

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Mitch Paola fired in a season-high 29 points Friday leading the Sandy High boys junior varsity basketball team to a 68-54 drubbing of Estacada.

Paola sank 12 of 15 shots from the field, many on fast break layins ignited by a swarming Sandy defense. The Sandy sophomore also had three steals.

"Mitch must really love to play Estacada," Sandy JV coach Len Eaton said. "The last time we played them he penetrated and made 12 of 17 free throws. This time he got the layins. Mitch doesn't have great speed, but he has excellent timing and good court sense."

The Pioneers cut their fouls to 19 and their turnovers to 14, both areas of concern to Eaton.

Sandy led by just four at the end of the first quarter, then outscored Estacada 18-10 in the second period to ease away.

Led by Paola's 80 percent shooting, Sandy hit 26 of 49 from the field, a .530 clip. The win raised the Pioneers' season record to 10-7 and their league slate to 6-5.

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Freshman Mike Rohweder regains control of Molalla's David Haqq in Thursday's dual meet. Rohweder held on to top Haqq 9-4 and helped Sandy to a 32-23 win over the visiting Indians.

Photo by Mark Floyd

## In dual meet finale

# Sandy grapplers top Molalla

Sandy survived a scare from Molalla Thursday and went on to claim a 32-23 dual meet wrestling win at the Pioneer gym.

It was the final match of the season for Sandy. The Pioneers will now go on to the district meet Feb. 22-23 at Oregon City. (See pg. 1)

Sandy overcame an 8-5 deficit, winning five of the next six matches to build up a fairly comfortable lead. The Pioneers needed every bit of it because Molalla scored two pins in the final three matches.

Mike Rohweder started things off for Sandy with a 9-4 decision over David Haqq at 98 pounds. The Pioneer freshmen led 7-0 at one point before Haqq caught him with a reversal and a near fall. Rohweder then scored a reversal himself to regain control.

Another battle went on at 106 where Sandy's Bill Mathews and Armando Mendez of Molalla mixed it up.

Mathews scored an escape in the last 30 seconds to tie the match at 7-7 and earn the draw.

Molalla's Ross Aylett pinned Dave Kenison in the 115-pound match to give the Indians their 8-5 lead in the team scoring. Then the Pioneers went on their usual binge in the middle weights to move away from Molalla. But it wasn't easy.

Ray Nelson had a real struggle at 123, taking an early lead and hanging on to take a 10-9 decision over Duke Heddon. Dean Fischer, substituting for an injured Mike Russell, turned in a good performance at 130 and decided Tony Brewer of Molalla 13-9 to put Sandy up 11-8.

Sophomore standout Chris Jones had no problem for Sandy at 136, taking a 10-2 win over Todd Fox. The win boosted Jones' record to 7-0 for league, 18-1 overall. Unfortunately for the Pioneers, Jones has suffered from

a bout of bursitis after the match and has been bedridden since the weekend. Sandy coach Ron Calhoun was not sure if Jones, certain to be the number one seed, will be able to wrestle at district.

Dan Martin suffered an 8-5 setback for the Pioneers at the hands of Jay Connelley at 141. But Sandy won the next three matches.

Frank Kim decisioned Chris Nash 5-2 at 148; Mike Martin topped Sean Kelly 8-2 at 157 and Sandy's 168-pounder, Tim Freeman, pinned John Lyttle at 2:45 to put the Pioneers up 27-11.

Molalla's Bob Roth pinned Scott Skipper at 178 and the Indians' excellent heavyweight, Kevin Paquette, did the same to Tim Sytsma.

But in between, Sandy got a big win at 191 from Randy Carmony who hammered Nick Roth 14-0, a superior decision worth five big points.

# Experiments may benefit smallmouth bass anglers

by PETE HELEY  
Post Outdoor Columnist

A number of experiments conducted recently in Alabama have yielded some interesting results — results that may benefit smallmouth bass and fishermen throughout the country.

The experiments indicate that the smallmouth bass is a much harder fish than was previously believed. The smallmouths were kept in water as warm as 102 degrees, considerably warmer than the 86 degrees thought to be their tolerance level. In fact, smallmouths were also found to be able to withstand instantaneous changes of 15 degrees in water temperature.

As bass anglers would expect, rocks and gravel were found to be very important to smallmouth bass and essential to spawning success. The smallmouths were found to exhibit their best growth rates in warmer water during the winter months and in cooler water during the summer months.

Although the latter finding could be derived from common sense, it does indicate that all other factors being equal, waters having minor temperature variations would have faster growing smallmouths. Closer to home, a lake along the Oregon coast would more likely have faster growing bass than would a lake of equal conditions in Eastern Oregon.

Rivers and reservoirs below other bodies of water have often produced the

very finest smallmouth angling. A prime example might be the Tennessee River below Wilson Dam and above Pickwick Lake in Alabama. It is generally considered the finest smallmouth fishery in the world and the stable temperatures of water released from the bottom of Wilson Dam is probably more important than previously believed.

Although Oregon probably will never produce 10-pound smallmouths like the Wilson Dam area has, it does contain a number of reservoirs and rivers suitable for smallmouth bass that have fairly stable water temperatures due to receiving water from the bottom of a deep reservoir upstream.

Some of the smallmouths in the study that are kept in warm water in the winter and cooler water during the summer are found to spawn at one year of age. Smallmouths usually spawn at three years.

Such a finding could prove extremely important as a fish management tool. Faster-growing smallmouths could be released from hatcheries more quickly, saving thousands of dollars in fish management expenses. Early spawning smallmouths would do the same and enable a hatchery to begin a breeding program more quickly and economically. Ultimately, taxpayers and anglers everywhere would benefit.

Maybe the smallmouth would even find a home in a few suitable bodies of water in western Oregon.

# Roth leads Sandy to state

Two individuals and two relay teams from Sandy High School have qualified for the state Class AAA swim meet at Mt. Hood Community College this weekend.

Sophomores Gayle Roth and Jean Crane will swim individually for the Pioneers as well as compete on the 400-yard freestyle relay team. The two will be joined by Bonita Connelley and Teresa Lamer on the relay.

The relay team has the 12th fastest time in the state, clocking a 4:02.35 in the finals of the Wilco League District championships to place first. The Pioneers have a faster time to their credit, however, a 3:59.

Roth is entered in the 50 and 100-freestyle events. She won both at district. Roth's time of 25.37 in the district finals has her ranked sixth in the 50 although she swam a 25.1 in the prelims which would put her third. The current state rankings include only times recorded in the district finals. Ranked ahead of Roth are Medford's Susie Ross (24.8) and North Eugene's Karen Orr (24.96).

The Sandy sophomore also has a 57.0 100-freestyle to her credit which ranks her 10th. Sandy coach Mark Smith said that she will probably need a time of 56.0 or better to make the finals.

Crane, with a second place district finish, will compete in the 500-freestyle at state. Her time of 5:49.3 in the finals has her in 13th position in the state. Crane, with a 5:44.0 to her credit, hopes to challenge the school record in the 500. That record belongs to Katie Neuenfeldt who clocked a 5:38.0.

The Sandy boys will be represented by their 400-

freestyle relay team. The squad of Glenn Izer, Rick Topliff, Matt Falgout and Mark Mayfield finished second in district with a 3:31.1 time, 13th best in the state.

Smith said the Pioneer team would need to clip four seconds off that to make the consolation finals.

Preliminaries for swimming will begin at 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22. Diving prelims are Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Finals and consolation finals for swimming and diving will begin Saturday at 2 p.m. Admission will be charged.

# Bighorn sheep situation improving

Twenty Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep have been relocated into the upper Hells Canyon recently, bringing to 34 the number released there the last three winters.

District wildlife biologist Vic Coggins said the transplants are part of an ongoing program to reestablish this subspecies of bighorn into the Oregon habitat it formerly occupied. The new herd, located in the vicinity of Battle Creek and Hells Canyon Creek, will be left on its own to hopefully survive and begin repopulating the Snake River

range. Coggins feels there is an excellent distribution of sex and age classes in the group and he has no plans to transplant any more animals into this particular area.

All of the sheep transplanted into Hells Canyon have been ear tagged and fixed with colored streamers so they can be identified from a distance. Four have also been fitted with radio transmitter collars so their movements can be monitored.

The Rocky Mountain bighorn was originally native to northeastern Oregon, including the Wallows and part of the Blue Mountains. They were reported as far south as the Strawberry Mountains in Grant County, and were also found in the high breaks of the Snake River canyon.

of the last century. Hunters who pursued the declining population without regulation for meat or trophies also hastened their extinction in Oregon. The last Rocky Mountain bighorn disappeared from the Lostine River Canyon between 1941 and 1945.



by Ken Durbin

The first attempts to reestablish the Rocky Mountain subspecies in northeastern Oregon occurred in April of 1971 when 20 sheep were picked up from Jasper National Park in Alberta. These were released in Short Creek Canyon a half mile below Hells Canyon Dam on the Snake River. Reproduction was seen for several years but this population had disappeared by 1973.

Also during 1971, 20 more sheep were received from Jasper National Park and in November they were released in the Silver Creek Burn on the north side of the Lostine River. Excellent reproduction was seen in this group and even after trapping and transplanting the Lostine population remains at more than 70.

With the observation of 24 rams with horns three-quarter curl or larger, the first limited hunting season was scheduled in the fall of 1978. Eight tags were authorized and seven hunters were successful in bagging the trophy of a lifetime. In 1979 six more tags were authorized and all six hunters were successful.

Although these sheep summer along Hurricane Divide, they migrate each winter to a small winter

range near the site of release. They show no tendency to spread to new ranges on their own, so it is critical that they be closely monitored and managed within the capacity of this small winter range.

In January of 1977, the first sheep were trapped from the Lostine group near the top of the Silver Creek Burn and 17 were transplanted seven miles to the northeast into the Bear Creek drainage. The move turned out to be temporary as most of the adult sheep eventually returned to the trapping site. In December of 1977 eight young sheep were selected from a group of trapped sheep in Silver Creek Burn in hopes they would show less tendency to migrate back, and they were released in Bear Creek. This group remained in Bear Creek until early May but has since returned as the first group did.

Last year, 15 Rocky

Mountain bighorn sheep were received in an exchange with the state of Idaho and were released in the lower Imnaha. Three lambs were seen with that group this year providing the first encouraging signs that this group is adjusting to its new home.

All the sheep transplant operations in northeast

Oregon have been carried out in cooperation with the Wallowa Whitman National Forest. Environmental analysis of other potential release sites in the Wallowa Mountain area and Wenaha River area is currently underway and it is hopeful that the trap and transplant program will be expanded into more areas.

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