

Sandy girls play well, but suffer two losses

by MARK FLOYD

After playing two of their best games of the season, the Sandy High girls basketball team found itself in a tie for fourth place in the Timber Valley League.

The thing is, the Pioneers lost both of those games.

Canby exploded for 17 fourth quarter points Thursday night and claimed a 45-34 win over the Pioneers. Sandy traveled to Sweet Home Monday night and came away on the short end of a 44-37 score. The two teams that Sandy is tied with for the fourth TVL playoff spot are Canby and Sweet Home. All three have 2-3 league records.

The problem at Sweet Home was the Huskies' quickness. Marcy Van Rosky and Debbi Cherry were simply a step too fast for the Pioneers and used that advantage to get open for jump shots against a tight Sandy zone. And Cherry and Vav Rosky know how to put the ball in the bucket.

The sharp-shooting duo led Sweet Home into a big 38-24 lead late in the third quarter and the game looked over. But Sandy didn't fold that easily.

The Pioneers stormed back behind Dawn New and cut the gap to 42-34 with three minutes remaining in the game. Sweet Home went into a four-corner delay game and stalled out the rest of the way.

"We really responded well to the pressure and the girls played just super to get back in it," Sandy coach John Smith said. "They were intense all game and that may have been the first time all season we kept the intensity up that long. There were no breakdowns."

Cherry and Vav Rosky were the difference in the ball game. Sweet Home got a couple of fast break baskets, but Sandy began covering the break. And when the Pioneers set up in their zone, Sweet Home had trouble getting off a high percentage shot.

Unfortunately for Sandy, the Huskies made a lot of tough shots. Vav Rosky pumped in 17 points, many coming with two Sandy players waving a hand in her face.

New had 17 points for Sandy and led the rebounding with a dozen.

Smith was pleased with New and Linda Mosbrucker, who showed signs of coming out of their shooting slumps. And he was very pleased with the guard play of Sandy Yantes and Nancy Rohweder. Yantes played the entire game at point guard for Sandy and didn't commit a turnover. Rohweder came off the bench and contributed a solid all-around game.

A turning point in the game may have come at the start of the second half. Sandy trailed by just six, 22-16, at the half. But Sweet Home scored five points in a matter of seconds to start the third quarter and the Pioneers found themselves in a deep hole. They couldn't quite climb out of it.

The Pioneers played some good defense, but had a mediocre night at the free throw

line, shooting just 10 of 23, including a couple of key one-and-ones in the fourth quarter. "If we would have had a hot night, we could have won it," Smith noted.

"We've pretty much decided, though, that when Sweet Home comes up here — we're going to beat them."

The Canby game was somewhat different, except of course, for the outcome. Both teams played well and it was nip and tuck most of the way. But for some reason, Sandy lost it in the fourth quarter.

After three periods, the score stood 28-26 in favor of the Cougars. Sandy had won most of its close games this year and the Pioneers had high hopes going into the fourth quarter. Wham! Canby came out and blitzed them 17-8 and ran away with what had been a nail-biter.

Part of the reason was that Sandy couldn't buy a basket to start the quarter. Canby sagged in on the 6-foot New, and the Pioneers haven't had much luck from the outside this season. The Pioneers went the first four minutes of the final quarter without a point, before Yantes finally sank a 15-foot shot from the side to break the ice.

While the Pioneers were trying to find the range, Canby's Karla Keller was having a field day. She continually snuck up on the blind side of Sandy players and stripped them of the ball. Twice in a two-minute period, she executed successful steals which resulted in breakaway layins. And when Keller wasn't picking Sandy clean, she was filling it up from the perimeter.

It was unfortunate that the Pioneers had such a rotten fourth quarter, because the first three periods contained some excellent basketball.

Forward Sue Hartke started and turned in perhaps the best all-around game of her career. The 5-10 senior went to the boards hard and shot well from the key area. She would up the game with 15 points, high for the Pioneers.

Sandy's other forward, Char McKinney, pumped home a couple from the outside in the first half to keep Canby honest. The two forwards combined for 15 of Sandy's 19 first half points and kept the Pioneers in the game. And they scored six more points in the third period to keep things close.

But Hartke went to the bench with four fouls and McKinney never really got into the offense in the final period.

SANDY 9 7 13 9-37
SWEET HOME 11 11 18 4-44
 Sandy (38) - Dawn New 17, Yantes 4, Mosbrucker 7, Hartke 2, Rohweder 3, Geddel 1, Seal, McCoy, McKinney 4, Rodrigues

Sweet Home (44) - Marcy Vav Rosky 17, Cherry 10, Lynn, Rappin 3, Ormsby 7, Ford 2, Howard 5

CANBY 12 10 6 17-45
SANDY 9 10 7 8-34

Canby (45) - Karla Keller 15, Brown 4, Goettel 13, Hagans 10, Harrington, Knoplin, Katterheirich 3

Sandy (34) - Sue Hartke 15, Yantes 2, Mosbrucker 2, McKinney 8, New 3, Rohweder, Seal, McCoy 2, Gedde 2, Rodrigues



Trapped by a pair of Canby defenders, Sandy's Sue Hartke looks for an open teammate. Hartke had a season-high 15 points against the Cougars, but Canby scored a 45-34 win. Both teams are tied in the Timber Valley League with 2-3 records.

Three teams tied in city hoop league

Schoppert's Loggers, Funny Farm and Wooden Hutch all rolled to wins this week and raised their "A" League records to 2-0.

The three-way logjam may not last for long. Schoppert's and Funny Farm will square off in a crucial game this Tuesday, Jan. 27 at Cedar Ridge gym. The game will begin at 6:45 p.m.

Funny Farm will play Wooden Hutch, also 2-0, this Thursday, Jan. 29. That game will begin at 8 p.m.

Two teams remain unbeaten in "B" League play. The Swimmers and Dairy Queen recorded fairly easy wins Wednesday night and found themselves alone at the top with 2-0 marks. The two unbeaten won't meet until Feb. 4.

Schoppert's Loggers 89,
Deli Barn 52

The team of ex-Sandy High players had little trouble recording its second straight win. Dean Dickinson had 25 points for the winners and teammate Dan Turin added 23. Lonnie Barron paced Deli Barn with 17.

Reliable Realty 84,
Clackamas Bank 72

Dan Bennett poured in 26 points to lead Reliable, 1-2, to its first win of the season. Clackamas County Bank, 0-2, was led by Rick Scott with 25.

Funny Farm 83,
Pleasant Home Mobil 75

Jack Paola turned in the biggest offensive output of the young season in Rec League play, pouring in 38 points to lead the Farm to its second win. Paola sand 14 of 15 shots from the free throw line. Tim Veley added 16 for the winners. Garry Kidler had 17 points for Pleasant Home.

Wooden Hutch 84,
Deli Barn 73

Al Smallen fired home 29 points to lead Wooden Hutch to its second victory. Conrad Caldwell added 12. Steve Norris had a fine game for the Deli Barn with 31 points, but it wasn't enough as the losers dropped to 0-3 for the season.

Ron's No Place 47,
Drones 21

Ron's evened its record at 1-1, rolling to an easy "B" League win. Mike Riley paced the winners with 24 points.

Swimmers 82,
Sandy TV 37

The Swimmers used a balanced scoring attack to claim its second win. Randy Holland had 16 points for the Swimmers and Bart Stratton added 13. Rick Carey had 16 points for Sandy TV.

Dairy Queen 57,
P&C Construction 49

John Konvicka fired in 31 points to lead Dairy Queen to its second win. John Rohr added 12 for the winners. P&C Construction was led by Ken Purnell with 18 points and Bruce Davcsavage with 17.

SANDY RECREATION LEAGUE

| "A" Division | | Funny Farm 83, Pleasant Home 75 | |
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| W | L | | |
| Schoppert's Loggers | 2 0 | Wooden Hutch 84, Deli Barn 73 | |
| Funny Farm | 2 0 | | |
| Wooden Hutch | 2 0 | "B" Division | |
| Pleasant Home Mbl. | 1 1 | W | L |
| Reliable Realty | 1 2 | Swimmers | 2 0 |
| Clackamas County Bank | 0 2 | Dairy Queen | 2 0 |
| Deli Barn | 0 3 | Ron's No Place | 1 1 |
| | | P&C Construction | 1 1 |
| | | Sandy TV | 0 2 |
| | | Drones | 0 2 |
| Tuesday's Results: | | | |
| Schoppert's Loggers 89, Deli Barn 52 | | Wednesday's Results: | |
| Reliable Realty 84, Clackamas Bank 72 | | Ron's No Place 47, Drones 21 | |
| Thursday's Results: | | Swimmers 82, Sandy TV 37 | |
| | | Dairy Queen 57, P&C 49 | |

Oceans theme of 1981 wildlife week

National Wildlife Week, celebrated throughout the country March 15 to 21, will focus on a subject dear to the hearts of Oregonians.

"We Care About Oceans," is this year's theme for Wildlife Week, and television newscaster Walter Cronkite has been named chairman of the observance.

Wildlife Week has been sponsored each of the past 43 years by the National Wildlife Federation, and themes in the past have dealt mostly with endangered species of wildlife protection of wildlife habitat.

fish, the octopus, sea otters and killer whales in the ocean's "food web."

More than a million posters will be mailed to Wildlife Week participants.

In addition, the NWF will distribute more than 600,000 copies of a second poster bearing color photographs of 16 different species of ocean-dwelling wildlife. The

Federation will also send out more than 400,000 education kits to teachers. The kits will include posters and activity booklets.

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by Ken Durbin

"We decided to broaden the theme this year to cover a natural resource that we all are dependent upon, but most of us take for granted," said Dr. Fred Scroggin, president of NWF. "The oceans not only cover 71 percent of the earth's surface, but they harbor 80 percent of all animal life, serve as a reservoir for 97 percent of the earth's water supply, provide us with half our life-sustaining oxygen, and with millions of tons of food."

"Whether we live along the coast or in the landlocked midwest, we are dependent on the living sea, and yet in many places people use it as though it were a bottomless garbage pit, dumping into it sewage, deadly chemicals, and even nuclear wastes. This year, we hope to educate millions of Americans to the fact that the ocean's ecology is a delicate one and that we must protect it."

Each year a poster is keyed to the Wildlife Week theme, and this year it will feature a sea otter. On the reverse side is a chart explaining why the oceans are vital to both man and wildlife and illustrating the roles of kelp, plankton, crabs, mussels, sea urchins, rock-