

Cross country ski tours set

Keep Listening Wilderness Trips, an outdoor recreation group for women, is offering a cross country ski package for beginners Feb. 14-16.

The weekend will be in honor of Susan B. Anthony's birthday.

Three days of skiing instruction and tours are included in the package.

Instruction will include basic cross country techniques, including diagonal stride, step turns, wedge turns, side stepping and double poling.

Winter survival skills will also be taught, including map and compass reading, hypothermia prevention, avalanche procedures and construction of emergency shelters.

Keep Listening is also offering other skiing packages this winter and spring for both beginners and intermediates. All will be on Mt. Hood.

Keep Listening, which originated in Sandy, is a non-profit organization. For more information on the group or the ski tours contact Keep Listening, P.O. Box 14743, Portland, OR, 97214 or call 239-6896.

SUHS slates benefit jog

Sandy High School will hold a jogathon for spring sports Friday, Feb. 27 at the school track.

Coaches and athletes from the baseball, softball, tennis and track teams will solicit pledges from sponsors prior to the event. They will run one hour on the track and accumulate as many laps as possible.

The minimum pledge is 25 cents for each individual.

Each athlete and coach will collect money for their sport only.

Persons wishing to donate money to the spring sports programs should contact a member of their favorite sport or call Sandy High School, 668-8011.

The jogathon will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Shootout gives youths chance to meet Blazers

Sandy area boys and girls will have a chance to shoot baskets and try to win a day with the Portland Trail Blazers.

The second annual Jack Ramsey Basketball Shootout is a benefit for Easter Seals. It is open to persons 18 years of age or under.

Shootout participants will sign up sponsors who will make pledges based on the number of baskets sunk by the player in a three-minute period.

Seven regional winners will be selected in the statewide event based on the amount of money turned in. The money will help provide services to Oregon children and adults with physical disabilities.

The winners will travel to Portland Tuesday, March 24, to be guests at a Trail Blazer practice, have lunch with Ramsey, who is a member of the National Easter Seals Sports Council, attend that evening's game with the Phoenix Suns and be introduced from center court at halftime.

The top fund-raiser in each city will be invited to appear on his regional Easter Seal Telethon broadcast March 28-29. Each Shootout participant who turns in \$25 or more will win a special T-shirt and all participants will receive 1981 Jack Ramsey Shootout certificates.

The Sandy Shootout will be held this Saturday, Feb. 14, at Sandy High School from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information, contact Sandy chairman Willis Middlemiss at 668-8240.



Sandy's Dan Martin puts the clasp on Rob Gump of West Linn during the Pioneers' 60-3 pasting of the Lions. Martin won the 168-pound match 3-1 over the West Linn wrestler.

Photo by Mark Floyd

No. 4 wrestlers pummel Lions

by MARK FLOYD

The Sandy wrestling team just keeps rolling right along.

The Pioneers, ranked fourth in the state among Class AAA teams, demolished West Linn 60-3 Friday in their final home appearance of the season.

The outcome of the match was never in doubt, although there were some fairly close individual contests. West Linn didn't have anyone at 98 or 106 and that gave the Pioneers a 12-0 lead before the first whistle ever blew. Giving a team like Sandy a 12-0 lead is not a wise move.

Sandy probably would have gotten off to a hot start anyway. Larry Topliff, who picked up the easiest win of his life at 98, had pinned the last dozen wrestlers to face him. Perhaps the Lions figured the 98-pound match was a foregone conclusion.

At any rate, the large and vocal crowd got to see some action at 115. Mike Rohweder, back to form after an early-season slump, pounded Lane Williams 12-4 to gain a four-point decision.

Robert Paul came on strong in the last two rounds at 123 and picked up another four-pointer for Sandy with a 9-1 whipping of Troy Halstead. Senior Scott Quick made his final home appearance a memorable one for the Pioneers by topping Blain Schutzer of West Linn 6-2 at 130.

After five weight classes, or three matches, the score was 23-0 in favor of the Pioneers and the partisan Sandy crowd was sensing a shutout. They might have gotten one too, were it not for some confusion in the next match.

The best match of the night came at 136, where Sandy's Carey Larson locked up with John Brewer. It was an even match the entire way and the West Linn wrestler held a slim, one-point lead late in the final round. Larson broke out of a hold and appeared to either escape or gain a reversal, but the official ruled that the timekeeper had started the clock too late and given the wrestlers an extra few seconds.

As a result, Brewer claimed a 7-6 win, although Calhoun complained vehemently that Larson should have gotten one point for the escape.

It went down in the books as a West Linn win, however, but it was to be the Lions' last hurrah.

Mike Russell took just 1:15 to flatten Rich Stark in the 141-pound match and put Sandy up 29-3. The Pioneers extended that when Chris Jones worked over Mark Halquist 13-1 at 148, a decision worth five points.

Dan Martin had a slightly tougher time, but scored a 3-1 win for Sandy at 157 over Rob Gump.

Sandy's Cal McKinnis continued his strong performances of late by flipping Tim Medearis on his back and pinning the West Linn wrestler in 1:46.

Frank Sacoskey also went out with a blaze of glory. The Sandy senior manhandled Carl Foulke 19-4 in the 178-pound match.

At 191, Randy Carmony picked up a win by default for Sandy when West Linn wrestler Jack McAvoy injured a knee. Carmony was ahead 8-0 at the time of the injury.

Tim Sytsma capped off the evening for Sandy by turning John Buse and pinning the West Linn wrestler in the first round. Sytsma was wrestling at heavyweight for the Pioneers.

Pioneer girl skiers demolish opposition

The Sandy High girls ski team proved that their victory last week was no fluke.

The Pioneers, boasting their strongest girls team ever, roared down the slopes of Mt. Hood Meadows and claimed a most impressive victory over the rest of the Valley League teams.

Sandy was first in the short giant slalom run, with a total time of 118.4 seconds. Lake Oswego was second, 126.2; Lakeridge third, 130.9; and Lincoln fourth, 144.8.

The eight-second victory was, in the words of Sandy coach Bob Karsten, "just incredible."

"I was very pleased with the girls," he said. "They're going to be a real team to watch. They're all young and they're trying very hard to be good skiers."

Sophomore Anne Sarich, competing in her first meet as a Pioneer, was simply awesome. She won the race by a whopping 2.3 seconds and led a strong Sandy effort.

"Anne's time was just astounding," Karsten said. "You just don't win by two seconds. She skied very well. In fact, most of the competition our girls are getting is from our own team. That's a nice feeling."

Sarich navigated the Meadows course in 37.0 seconds. Freshman Ulla

Pearson was fourth for the Pioneers in 39.3 and Char Bridge was fifth in 40.3.

The Pioneers might have done even better if Sue Sarich, Anne's twin sister, hadn't overrun a gate. She had to hike back up the hill, but still managed to finish 10th in the race with a time of 44.4. Karsten said she was skiing as well as Anne at the time of the mishap.

For the second week in a row, the Sandy boys finished second behind Lakeridge, but the margin is getting closer.

Lakeridge won with a time of 110.1. Sandy was second, 111.0; Lake Oswego was third, 113.2; and the Oregon Episcopal School was fourth, 132.3.

Sandy senior Scott Graham won the individual race for the second week in a row, taking the giant slalom in 35.3 seconds. Darren Schouten was fourth for the Pioneers, 36.3, and Kip O'Connor was 11th, 39.4.

"Scott did really well Saturday," Karsten said. "The giant slalom has been his weaker race but he's been training hard at it and obviously it's paid off."

"I think next week we might be able to take Lakeridge," Karsten added.

Jerry Heacock finished second for Sandy in the junior varsity race with a 40.5 time. Don Bennett was third in 41.9.

Gresham favored at district swim meet

by MARK FLOYD

The battle lines have been drawn and the pre-meet juggling is over. Now all that's left is for the swimmers to go out and do what they're supposed to do.

Mt. Hood Community College will be the scene of the Wilco League district swimming meet this weekend and, to no one's great surprise, Gresham has emerged as the team to beat in both the boys and girls competition.

The seeding meeting was held Monday night and coaches finally were forced to end the speculation and put their swimmers in specific events.

If times hold up, Gresham would win the girls competition with 193 points. Sandy would be second with 174, Barlow third with 155 and Centennial fourth with 153. That's pretty close.

The boys race looks to be a little more one-sided. Again, the Gophers are favored with a total of 213 points. Reynolds is second with 184, Barlow third with 155 and Sandy fourth with 148.

Sandy coach Mark Smith acknowledges that the pre-meet tally is helpful in discovering just how many points a team has to make up and he isn't at all ready to concede the girls race to Gresham.

"I think there's a 50-50 chance for us to catch Gresham, or at least, give them a race," Smith said. "The movements up or down in the standings, or positions in a relay are extensive. It all depends on which swimmers are up that day."

Sandy is seeded first in three events. A top seed means that the person or relay team has the best time and will automatically get a middle lane.

Gayle Roth is seeded first in the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-freestyle. She has a time of 25.1 in the 50, which is the fourth fastest time in the state and puts her on top at district by a full two seconds. Roth, along with Jean Crane, Teresa Lamer and Bonita Connelly, will swim on the 400-freestyle relay team which is ranked first.

Connelly is second to Roth in the 100-freestyle. Roth has a season-best time of 57.0 while Connelly has a 59.0.

Connelly is also ranked second in the 200-freestyle with a 2:11.6.

Several other Pioneers are in the 200-free. Lamer is ranked sixth, Lisa Izer, eighth, and Heidi Lamer, 11th.

In the 200-individual medley, Crane is

seventh and Nici DuBois, 11th.

The Pioneers don't have any swimmers in the butterfly, but Crane is third in the 500-freestyle with a 5:59.8, and could sneak in for second. The top two in each event automatically qualify for the state meet. Teresa Lamer is fourth in the 500 and Izer is seventh.

DuBois is seventh in the 100-backstroke, Heidi Lamer is sixth in the 100-breaststroke and the Pioneers are seventh in the girls 200-medley relay.

Smith is hopeful that the Pioneers can move up in that relay as well as in some of the individual events.

The same is true of the Sandy boys. The Pioneers have no chance of overtaking Gresham, but Smith is hopeful that Sandy could nip Barlow for third, which would be quite a feat. Barlow has about 20 swimmers in the meet, while the Pioneers have just six.

Sandy is third in the medley relay, but very close to Canby for the second state spot. The Pioneers have a best of 1:52.2.

Glenn Izer is ranked first in the 100-freestyle with a time of 51.09 and third in the 200-freestyle, 1:55.9. He could qualify for state with a second place finish.

Right behind Izer is Rick Topliff. Topliff is fourth in the 200 and third in the 100.

Shawn Burns is ranked fifth in the 200-freestyle for Sandy and third in the 500-freestyle.

The Pioneers have no one in the 50-freestyle, but Matt Falgout is rated third in the 100-butterfly with a chance to move up. His best time is 1:00.3. Falgout is also sixth in the 200-individual medley.

Bret Crane is fourth behind Falgout in the butterfly and fifth in the 100-backstroke. However, a personal best time in the back would give him fourth place and he is close to the state qualifying mark of 1:00.2.

Harry Hazelett is rated seventh in the 100-breaststroke and 13th in the 100-freestyle. Hazelett is just a freshman.

The meet will be held at the MHCC pool this Friday and Saturday, Feb. 13-14. Preliminaries will begin at 2 p.m. Friday and finals will start at 2 p.m. Saturday.

Admission will be charged.

Pioneer cagers drop to cellar after pair of losses

Just when coach Dennis Warren thought he had his Sandy High basketball team figured out, the Pioneers changed their style on him.

Sandy had played one of its better games last week, dealing Silverton a defeat by combining a tough defense with good shot selection.

That style of play simply disappeared in two games this week.

The Pioneers traveled to Oregon City Friday and suffered a 73-60 defeat, a game that could have been won, although Warren wasn't too upset since the Pioneers played fairly well. The same wasn't true Tuesday, however, as Sandy journeyed to Molalla and came back on the short end of a 65-45 score.

The Pioneers were out of the game from the start and reverted to one-on-one play instead of the impressive team

game which has led to their wins.

"I thought we had a very poor team performance," Warren said. "We played like five individuals on the court instead of a team. The rest of the season is going to be pretty long unless we get squared away."

"Our performance in the guard positions was very weak," he added. "We had difficulty generating an offense—it was a one-pass, or no-pass offense. We didn't get the ball inside to take the pressure off the guards, but the guards certainly didn't help themselves."

Warren tried a variety of combinations and was pleased with the play of Steve Brade, who came in off the bench and scored 12 points. Jeff Yoder also got a lot of playing time at guard and led the Pioneers with 17.

But the Pioneers couldn't stop

Molalla from scoring. The Indians have been the surprise of the Timber Valley League this season and have pushed their record to 8-2, good enough for second place. One of the reasons has been the play of their big man, 6-foot-5 Tom Welle. Welle worked well inside against Sandy and came up with 16 points.

Teammate Jim Schmader, a 6-3 forward, had 17 points as four Indians hit double figures.

"Until we figure out that it takes five guys working as a unit on the court, we are not going to win ball games," Warren stated flatly. "We're not talented enough to get away with individual styles of play and win ball games. It takes a team effort. Our defense was horrendous."

Molalla sank 24 of 54 shots from the field, which isn't particularly awesome,

but Sandy could manage only 18 of 57. Molalla won the battle of the boards 36-29.

Warren was pleased with the fact that his team committed just 12 turnovers in the game, a noticeable improvement over early season play.

"There were some bright spots out there," Warren said. "Steve Brader played a good game once he settled down and Bob Nippert did a good job on the boards. He just didn't get much help."

The Oregon City loss was simply a case of being outkicked. Oregon City scratched out a 34-27 lead at the half, then held on the rest of the way.

Once behind, Sandy was forced to foul and the fourth quarter became a track meet. Both teams broke the 20-point mark in the period and the Pioneers

could never quite catch up.

"The key there was our inability to stop them from scoring," Warren said. "We got outkicked. I was pleased with some things out there, though. I thought Mitch Paola played a pretty good game. We got a solid, all-around performance from him."

Paola led the Pioneers with 20 points on eight of 14 from the field and added three assists. For the game, Sandy was 20 of 49 from the field and 20 of 29 from the line.

But that wasn't quite good enough to overtake Oregon City. The hosts fired the ball up 43 times and sank 27 of them, well over 50 percent from the field. They also made 19 of 24 from the line, including 14 of 16 in the pivotal fourth quarter. As Warren said, "They made the shots when it counted."

Oregon City also grabbed a 31-20 rebound edge.

Nippert added 11 for Sandy, Yoder had eight and Marvin Schaffer nine.

Oregon City was led by Scott Fish with 16.

The losses dropped Sandy into the TVL cellar with a 2-8 mark. The Pioneers will have a chance to escape sole possession of last place this Friday, however, when they host Estacada, 3-7. One of Sandy's two wins this season came at Estacada.

Canby continues to lead the league with a 9-1 record, overcoming its early-season woes. Molalla is second, 8-2, and Oregon City and Sweet Home are in a dead heat for third with 5-5 records.

The Pioneers will host the Rangers this Friday at the SUHS gym. Tipoff is scheduled for 7:45 p.m.