

*Have a 5-2 record*

## Girls down Molalla in bottom of ninth

Without the errors, the Sandy-Molalla game would have been a good one, according to Gary Curtis, softball coach.

The girls went into the bottom of the ninth down 9-8.

Anne Sarich singled to get the inning off to a good start.

Mo Beckett got on base on an error, and Jill Dahlager hit a sacrifice fly to right field, which scored Sarich.

Doreen Turin then singled, scoring Beckett, and ended up stealing home on a passed ball for the tying score.

Dawn New hit the ball to the shortstop and was thrown out at first for the second out.

Tammy Edwards drew a walk, and then stole second.

Allison Carpenter hit a one-hopper to the shortstop. "The shortstop threw one of the best rise balls I've ever seen," Curtis said. "It went right over the first baseman's head."

"She had been hitting her in the chest real well, but this one just climbed right over."

That error allowed Edwards to score the winning run.

Curtis said he was pleased that they didn't give up at the plate. Turin, a senior, was credited with doing an especially good job.

"She came through with the bat when we needed her too," Curtis said.

She went in as a substitute, and was two-for-two at the plate.

The Pioneers had 10 runs on seven hits with eight errors and six players left on base.

Molalla had nine runs on four hits with seven errors and eight left on base.

Patty Gray was once again complimented for a fine game. She faced 36 batters, striking out six and allowing four hits and four walks. Only one of those nine runs was earned.

Molalla's pitcher faced 39 batters



Patty Gray chases down a base runner during the girls loss to Canby Friday. Gray made the tag. Photo by Scott Newton

Monday, allowing seven hits and six walks. She struck out three.

Heckard, Gray, Sarich and Dahlager had singles, while Turin had two and Carpenter a double.

Last week the girls won 14-1 over Estacada and lost a key TVL matchup with Canby, 15-0.

The Pioneers are 5-2, with Canby and Oregon City tied for first in the league race.

The Pioneers finished off Estacada in five innings, scoring 14 runs on 10 hits with two errors and leaving five on base.

Gray threw a no hitter. Estacada

made five errors and left three on base.

Sarich and Heckard each had two singles, Dahlager had one, New had a single and a double, and Carpenter had three singles.

"So, Allison's bat is starting to talk," Curtis said.

One of the more outstanding plays against Estacada was made by Bonita Connelly, according to Curtis.

She caught a pop fly, but the ball dropped out of her mitt. Still, she managed to grab it with her hand before it hit the ground.

About the Canby game, Curtis said,

"I just hope we got the bad game out of our system."

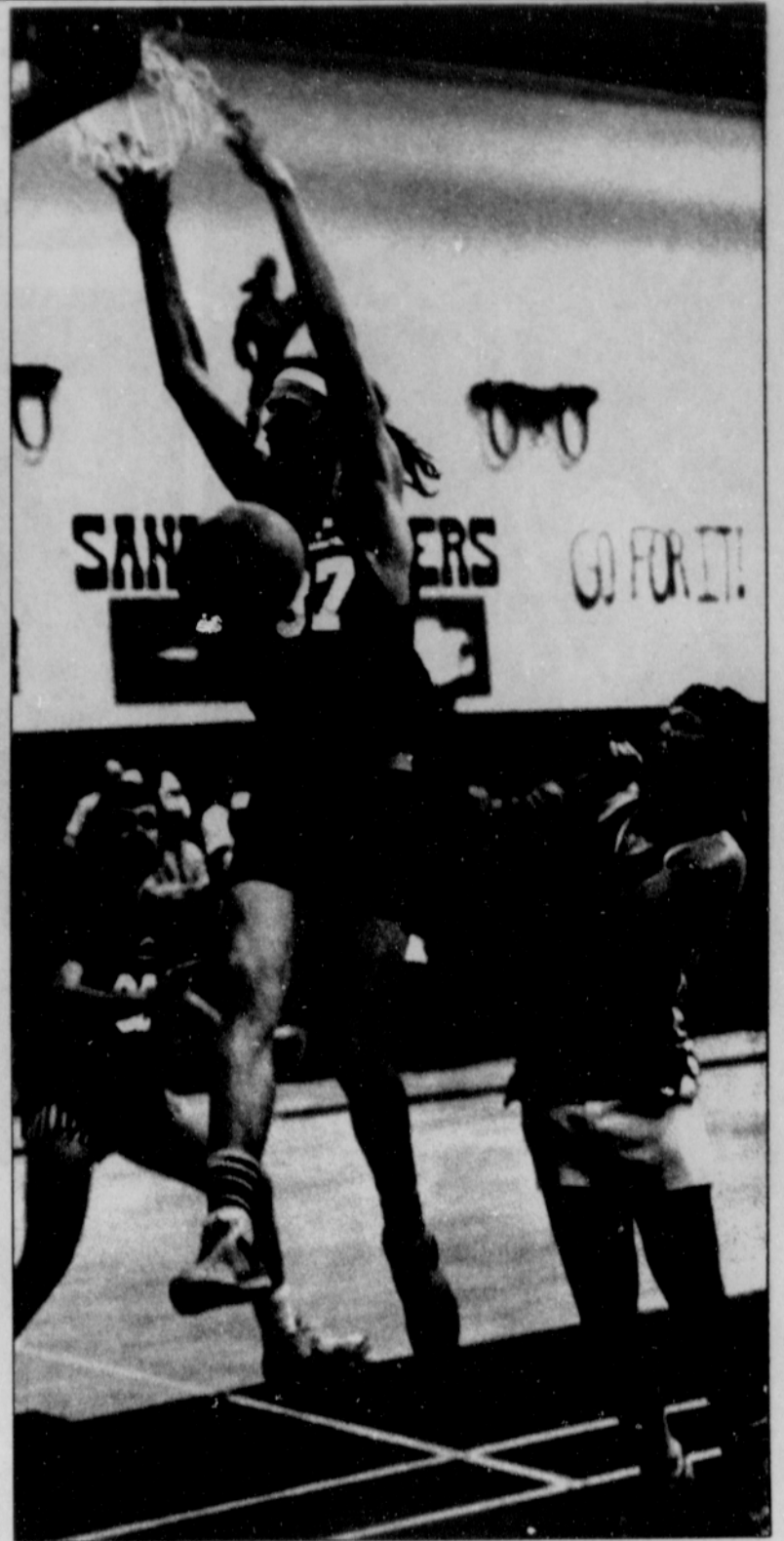
Canby's Diane Baker faced 20 batters in five innings, fanning five while allowing four hits. She didn't walk any Sandy players.

"I would have to consider her the best pitcher in the league," Curtis said.

While the Canby defense made only one error, Sandy committed eight.

Gray, Dahlager and New hit singles, while Carpenter rapped a double.

The girls take on Estacada at home (Kelso School field) Friday at 4 p.m.



Rick Zimmerman stuffs one in the closing seconds of the 1971-72 team's win over Central Catholic's alumni tournament champions Friday. Dean Dickinson is also pictured, at left. Photo by Scott Newton

Jack Paola scored from inside to get the final score to 106-103 (in the Blazers' favor).

## 1971-72 victorious; Blazers edge all-stars

The 1972-73 basketball team, winners of the 1982 Alumni Basketball Tournament, beat Central Catholic's alumni champions 83-79 Friday.

Rick Zimmerman iced the game for Sandy with a slam-dunk in the closing seconds of play.

Sandy was down 38-30 at halftime, and had a 59-56 lead after three quarters.

Zimmerman scored 28 points. Ray Perkins contributed 24, Dean Dickinson, 11, Pat Sutton, 12, and Randy Akers, seven.

Although the Sandy alumni all-stars were down 68-49 at halftime against the Blazer Oldtimers, the second game played Friday night, an inside shot by Alan Nippert with 1:50 left to play got Sandy within two, at 101-103.

After two key rebounds by Zimmerman, each of which were followed by Sandy turnovers, the Blazers ended up with the ball and 1:17 left on the clock.

They held the ball until 35 seconds remained, and then Sandy started fouling, with the Blazers Geoff Petrie connecting on three of four foul shots.

Petrie scored 20, Leroy Ellis 22, and Rick Adelman 20 for the Blazers. For Sandy Paola scored 36 points, Nippert 15, Randy Bryant 14, Zimmerman eight, Scott Cravens six, Perkins, Dickinson, Steve Konell and J. Gynther all had four and Randy Keller, Dan Turin, Mike Gynther and Tim Veley all scored two points.

## SASA league play begins Saturday

Sandy Area Softball Association league play will get underway this weekend, with all 12 mens teams playing Saturday.

The first game will start at 9 a.m., with the last one beginning at 4:30 p.m. All will be played at Cedar Ridge School.

This will be the first year Sandy participates as an American Softball Association-sanctioned league.

A paying position for someone to keep scores and line the fields is open. Interested persons should contact Will Abshere, 668-9066.

## Bleak week for boys tennis team

The Sandy boys tennis team dropped duals with West Linn, Oregon City, Sweet Home, Silverton and Estacada during the week.

West Linn and Oregon City blanked the Pioneers last week.

Against Sweet Home, a 6-1 loss, Tom Elliot and David Bender, the number three doubles team, won 6-3, 7-5.

Against Silverton Monday Elliot and Bender won 6-2, 6-2, and the number one doubles team, comprised of Pat Sprigge and Scott Bender, won 6-4, 6-3.

David Bender and Elliot were moved up to the second doubles position for the Estacada dual Tuesday, and won 6-4, 7-5.

Eric Jones and Randy Swanson, the number three doubles team, also won Tuesday, 6-4, 6-3.

## Girl thinclads keep record unblemished

The Sandy girls avenged a loss from last year and remain undefeated with an 89-38 win over Oregon City in track action last week.

The girls are now 4-0 in dual meet competition.

The boys lost 94-49 Thursday. "All in all, we had an excellent meet," Coach Randy Hutchinson said. "We competed well."

The Pioneers have been training through meets, hoping to get peak performances at the district meet. Despite that fact that many of the team members were tired physically, the good weather tended to bring out the best.

Tammi Lindsay and Crystal Calkins pleasantly surprised Hutchinson.

They both turned in personal records, finishing first and second, respectively, in the 100-meter dash. Both ran 13.3s. "I didn't anticipate them running this fast this soon," Hutchinson said.

Shelby Dries set a personal record in the high jump. She finished second with a 5-1 jump.

Polly Kelly set a personal record in the 800, finishing second in 2:29.7. She won the 400 with a time of 1:01.6.

The girls 400- and 1600-meter relay teams won. Both groups were credited with having run well.

The 400 was comprised of Gayle Roth, Sharon Jensen, Calkins and Lindsay. On the 1600 was Lisa Hassett, Kelly, Jensen and Roth.

Roth was a four-event winner, run-

ning on the two relays, turning in a 2:23.4 800 and running the 300 intermediate hurdles in a time of 48.1.

Jensen was credited with running a good 3000. She won the event in 11:47.5, and then turned around and ran a 62 quarter on the 1600-meter relay team. She also set a PR in the long jump, winning it with a jump of 16-4 and three-quarters.

Laura Stringham turned in a season's best in the 1500, finishing third in 5:08.6.

Stephanie Hagstrom turned in a season's best in the javelin, finishing first with a toss of 142-3. "That's a heck of a throw," Hutchinson said, adding that it'll put her among the state's best.

Hagstrom also won the discus toss.

## Sheppard wins cash award

SUHS junior Mike Sheppard received his first cash award this weekend.

He won \$5 for finishing fourth in the St. Paul-Champoeg Two-Stage bicycle race Saturday.

He finished fourth in a 2.7 mile time

trial, covering the course in 6:17. He finished sixth in a 49-mile race (he didn't receive a time), for a fourth-place finish overall.

He said receiving a cash award would not affect his amateur status.

St. Paul is a small town north of Salem.

## Girl netters drop games

The Sandy girls tennis team lost to West Linn, Oregon City, Molalla, Silverton and Estacada during the week.

Alice Schoppert and Tracy Toole, the number two doubles team, won 6-1, 6-3 last week, winning the only match as the team fell 6-1 to West Linn.

Becky Clift and Heidi Lamer lost two tie-breakers to fall 7-6, 7-6 as Sandy fell to Oregon City, 7-0.

"I felt we did well even though we lost," Coach Jeannie Rossos said of a 4-3 loss to Molalla Friday. Sandy fell 7-0 the last time they played the Indians. This time, according to Rossos, the players put forth a better effort.

Senior Becky Rodrigues, the number one singles player, got a hard-earned win, taking her match 7-6, 7-5. Rodrigues and her opponent play a similar game, according to Rossos. Both place the ball well, thus they "wore each other out."

Patsy Wesselink, the number two singles player, won 6-0, 6-1. The number two doubles team, comprised of Elizabeth Heckel and Becky Clift, won 6-2, 6-2.

Monday the Pioneers fell 6-1 to Silverton, the league favorite.

Wesselink and Schoppert comprised the first doubles team, and got a 7-5, 3-6 and 7-5 win.

At Estacada Tuesday the girls fell 1-6, with Rodrigues winning 4-6, 6-3 and 7-6.

"It was really a good match," Rossos said. "She played excellent." Rodrigues lost in two sets the first time she played the Estacada opponent.

Rodrigues, and Toole and Wesselink, the number one doubles team, will have the best chances of doing well at the district meet next week at the Portland Tennis Center, Rossos said.



Becky Rodrigues returns a shot during a win over an opponent from Molalla. Photo by Scott Newton