

# The Sandy Post Sports and Recreation

## Rasmussen wins state cow cutting title

by SCOTT NEWTON

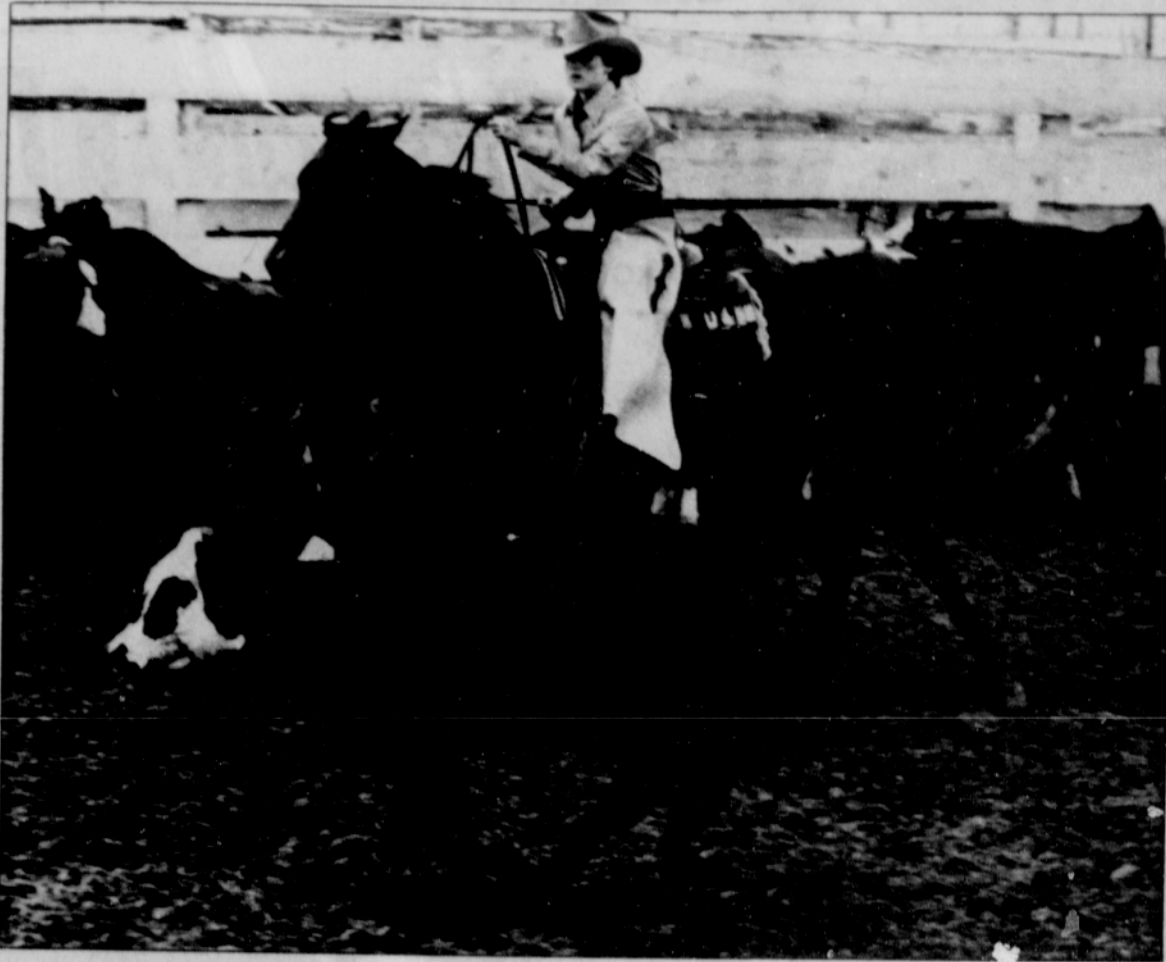
"Finally!" That was Kim Rasmussen's reaction to winning the girls cow cutting competition at the Oregon High School State Finals Rodeo. Last year Rasmussen was reserve champion in the State Finals Rodeo. She was also reserve champion in Oregon-Northwest Cutting Horse Association competition.

Now it's one title down and one to go.

During the first round of competition Friday at Redmond everything went well.

"It went just great," Rasmussen said. "My horse worked, I worked and the cattle worked."

Rasmussen was the leader going into the second round, but Satur-



Kim Rasmussen and Dribble Chick keep a calf away from the herd during the finals Sunday at Redmond.



Rick Quillin

day conditions weren't as nice. Rasmussen and others competed in the rain. "It was terrible, but we did as much as we could, considering the circumstances," she said.

She said she should be used to the rain, adding, "But it's not supposed to rain in Redmond."

Still she kept the lead going into the final round Sunday, and though she does not feel she, her horse Dribble Chick or the livestock were reacting particularly well, she did well enough to win the belt buckle that's a part of being a state rodeo champion.

Rasmussen also served as cutting horse director at the State Finals Rodeo, helping to run off the event. She was selected as cutting horse director by fellow competitors at a state meeting.

"You just see that everything

goes all right," Rasmussen said of the position.

She also solicited donations for the buckles.

The 1982 Sandy Union High School graduate took a perfect 30 score into the State Finals Rodeo, have won three qualifying competitions for a total of 30 points.

She's been competing in cow cutting for five years, and plans on studying veterinary medicine in college. She is currently employed at the Rainbow Ridge Ranch.

Rasmussen will be competing at the National High School Finals Rodeo July 25 through Aug. 1 in Douglas, Wyo.

According to Ernie Smith, rodeo club advisor, this is the largest rodeo in the world, with over 1000 competitors from 36 states expected to compete.

Donations to help cover the expense of the trip would be ap-

preciated. Call 668-7226 for more information.

In a related item, it has been learned that Rasmussen is not first alternate, as reported in last week's Post, to the American Junior Quarter Horse Association's 1982 World Championship Show in Tulsa. An error was discovered, and Rasmussen has found herself in the number two position from Oregon, which means she has qualified for the competition.

Although as cutting director and top contender, Rasmussen was a visible part of the State Finals Rodeo, others from Sandy competed as well.

Rick Quillin, who will be a junior at SUHS next year, competed in the bull riding, filling the 20th position going in.

He did not complete the eight-second ride, either Friday or

Saturday.

"Things just didn't click for him," Smith said. H. pointed out that these are the same bulls professionals ride. Only four bull riders stayed on long enough to get a score in Friday's first round of competition.

Quillin has two more years to compete, Smith added.

Mollie Smith, daughter of Ernie Smith, also competed this weekend. She went into the rodeo 19th out of 57 in barrel racing, but didn't qualify for the finals Sunday.

Mollie competed on her horse, Penokie.

She did "all right," Smith, the rodeo club advisor, said.

"This is Mollie's second year," he said. "She's training her own horse. It takes time."

"She gave 100 percent, so we're more than happy."

Mollie Smith was also third runner-up in the rodeo association's queen contest, having been selected to represent the Timber Valley League after selection by her peers.

She is secretary-treasurer of the TVL club, as well as the SUHS

years working on it."

The future looks bright for the club, said Smith, who works at Boeing of Portland and farms berries on the side.

"Any kid that wants to high school rodeo, we want him."

He added, "You can't find a bet-



Mollie Smith runs the barrels in the rain.

rodeo club.

She was Miss Congeniality, voted on by the queen candidates, last year.

Activities the queen's candidates participated in included the ride-out, which is done at the start of each round of competition. The candidates, in dress clothes, ride out and circle the arena, waving to the audience.

They are judged on the grand entries, horsemanship and dress. Mollie gave a speech Friday morning to the judges, detailing the history of Sandy and the Mt. Hood area.

About the rodeo club, Smith said, "We tried to get the club started last year. We weren't really that successful."

"You might say we've been two

ter group of kids, really. It's something that the kids do on their own. This is all self-supportive."

The school and area businesses have been helpful, Smith said.

"We had a tremendous amount of support on the local level for our high school (TVL) rodeo that was held the fifth and sixth of June in Canby.

"The businesses of Sandy were just great. Without their support we wouldn't have had it."

Rodeo contestants pay an entry fee, but Smith said it costs about \$3,000 just for the stock at a rodeo like the one the TVL put on.

Though the high school season is over, more rodeos and other events are coming up this summer. Rasmussen, for example, will be in Klamath Falls this weekend at a cutting horse futurity.

## 1st-place finish gives basketball coach reason for optimism

A first-place finish in a practice tournament gave John Smith reason to be optimistic earlier this week.

The Sandy girls basketball coach said that this is the first time in three years he's had six lettermen back, and so though they'll have a smaller team, he sees no reason why they can't be successful.

In a nine-game summer schedule the girls went 6-3, finishing in a tie for second in a league comprised primarily of WILCO opponents.

Parkrose won the summer league with a 9-0 record, and Smith assured The Post they'll be tough next winter.

In the tournament Monday evening

at Sandy, the girls won four 15-minute "running" quarters, beating Columbia 14-12 in the fourth game (quarter) for the tournament title.

Sandy lost 5-10 forward-post Cindy McCoy and 6-foot post Dawn New to graduation, with no one over 5-9 to fill

in the void.

(McCoy, by the way, is reportedly going to play next winter at Mt. Hood Community College, while New is expected to be at Clark County Community College in Vancouver.)

A change of style, therefore, was called for. Smith said he thinks they made a lot of advances toward that goal this summer.

"I think this was a tremendous confidence-builder," Smith said of the summer league. He said the players adjusted well "from tall to fast."

Smith said a couple of coaches commented about how thin the Sandy

girls are. They look like a track team, he said.

All six returning lettermen made it to most of the games, he said, obviously pleased. Jill Ingram, Linda Mosbrucker, Kellie Garlock, Amy Aschoff, Peggy Gillies and Sharon Jensen all played well, he reports.

Ingram has been moved from off-guard to point guard, and "did an excellent job."

Jensen did a lot of the scoring, and Smith said she should be the team's leading scorer next year.

Rebounding was one concern, but Tamee Lindsay and Cindy Rasmussen eased Smith's worries a

little about that.

Heather Kostrba reportedly did a good job of backing up Ingram at point guard, and Crystal Calkins got her foot in the door with some "excellent summer play."

Three sophomores-to-be assured the program of some long-term stability. Christa Searis, Chris Muff and Tami Fraser were credited with playing well.

Smith said he has considered using some of his sophomores on the varsity, but said with Lindsay and Rasmussen playing so well, it will allow the younger players to gain experience on the junior varsity.

## Exchange team: Fat and undefeated

by SCOTT NEWTON

One can excuse Chuck Kearney for yawning a lot and peppering his language with German phrases.

He and his son, Chuck Jr., got back Monday from a two-week trip to West Germany, where Oregon wrestling gained a little respect.

The trip back, including a trip to the airport at Frankfurt, took about 25 hours, including about a four-hour layover in Chicago.

"It was a terrific trip," said Coach Kearney.

Indeed. Before the wrestlers even left the United States they had whipped all-star teams from Illinois, Wyoming, California and Wisconsin.

They sought out the toughest teams at the AAU's training camp in Chicago, Kearney reports.

The freestyle and Greco-Roman tournaments and clinics across the state, as well as the quality of coaching, contributes to the strength of wrestling in Oregon, Kearney said.

Their entire trip was spent in the Schwarzwald, or the Black Forest, in southern Germany.

The first stop was in Kandern, a village of about 3,000 set near the Rhein River, about 15 miles from the border of France.

The view of the mountains was "breathtaking." Kandern is reportedly the birth place of the pretzel, an appropriate place for a

bunch of always-hungry wrestlers to be.

The Oregon crew downed the local team 9-1, with Chuck Jr. beating a town favorite, pinning him right away. The man was in his 30s, and a senior national champion. Kearney Jr. is also an age-group AAU national champion.

They went deeper into the Black Forest after three days, traveling to Tennenbronn, where they were again greeted by the town band.

The wrestling club has 60 to 70 years of history behind it, and they fared a little better against Oregon, losing 8-2.

Siegfried Flaig was pinned by Kearney Jr. in 2:30.

Tennenbronn has a population of 12,000.

After three days there they went to Brucksal, with a population of about 30,000. They stayed there about a week.

Again they were greeted by a brass band and the burgermeister (mayor).

The Oregon Cultural Exchange team downed Brucksal 6-4 and 6-4. Kearney Jr. beat Gerharg Weber by 11 in the first dual, and pinned him the second time the two teams wrestled.

The wrestlers weighed in only once, upon their arrival in Germany, and spent a lot of time eating and touring. The "land of the cuckoo clock" is not unlike this area in Oregon, Kearney said.

Coach Kearney said several of the wrestlers commented on how much they enjoyed their stay in Sandy. He added that Ruth Sherman, an instructor at SUHS, had them better prepared for the exchange than were most of the teams in Chicago at the training camp.

pics could have cost him as much as 200 points, he said.

He said he's been changing his style in the shot, which caused him to be off. He was pleased with his 13th-place finish (out of 27) in the 1500. That was "real good," cause I was about dead," he joked.

He was also pleased with his throw in the javelin.

Skipper and Gordon Brinser just got back from a football camp in Riverside, Calif. Both made the number one defense at the camp, where over 1000 were in attendance.

Brinser, playing defensive back, knocked down two passes during a final scrimmage between the offense and the defense, which the defense won 9-4 (not by traditional scoring).

Twenty-seven professional players and 67 college coaches worked at the camp.

## Throw of 218-7 good for SUHS javelin record

Scott Skipper set a Sandy Union High School and Oregon Junior Olympics decathlon record with his 218-7 throw in the javelin recently.

His throw at the Junior Olympics was the fourth-best throw in the state this season.

Skipper, who will be a senior next fall, will compete in the Regional Junior Olympics decathlon in Yakima, Wash., July 10.

In the Oregon Junior Olympics he ran an 11.4 100-meter dash, a 56-second 400, long jumped 18-9, high jumped 5-8, pole vaulted 9-6, tossed the shot 45 feet, threw the discus 134 feet, ran the 100-meter hurdles in 18 seconds, and ran the 1500 in 5:01.09.

He finished fourth overall in the decathlon. He has a personal best in the shot put of 52-2 and one-half, so his throw in the Oregon Junior Olym-

## Wy'East club plans powder shoot

The Wy'East Mountain Men are sponsoring a black powder shoot and rendezvous July 3, 4 and 5 at 38240 S.E. Rude Road.

A 31-target trail walk, a moving boat shoot, a target shoot and novelty shoots will be among the events run off July 3 and 4.

Prizes will be awarded up to 25th place.

A rendezvous, which derives from when mountain men in the Rockies used to trade furs for supplies from peddlers from St. Louis (in the 1820s through the 1840s), will be held July 5.

Registration for the shoots will be held Saturday and Sunday from 8 to 10 a.m., with the shooting starting about 9.

The Wy'East Mountain Men sponsor a shoot the third Sunday of every month (except in July, because of the July Fourth shoot).

For more information, contact Dave Lambert at 666-1442, Bob Townsend at 668-5876, or Tiny Bates at 252-8518.

## Buckboard Pizza ups record with a win over Paola's

Buckboard Pizza upped its record to 6-3 in men's softball league action, winning a third straight game at the expense of Paola's, 10-7.

Dodson's Store hung onto its perfect record, edging the Inn Between 8-6. Ron's No Place won 15-11 over Circle D. Timberline Lodge beat Brightwood Tavern, 11-7, and Carey Construction tied for second place with Buckboard Pizza, winning 6-1 over Brian's Sports.

Men's standings

Dodson's Store	9 0
Carey Construction	6 3
Buckboard Pizza	6 3
Ron's No Place	5 3
Circle D	5 3
Brian's Sports	5 4
Brightwood Tavern	4 4
Timberline Lodge	4 5
Sandy Z's	3 5
Hoodview Royals	1 6
Inn Between	1 7
Paola's Pizza	1 8

## Locals join football team

Cal McKinnis, a 1982 graduate of Sandy Union High School, has signed on with the Oregon City Steelheaders, it was announced recently.

Kevin Peterson, a 1979 SUHS graduate who played for Portland State, has also signed with the team, which reportedly is to be a farm team of the new United States Football League.

McKinnis said he won't be paid, and therefore will remain eligible for wrestling at Clackamas County Community College.

McKinnis will play defensive back and running back for the Steelheaders.

Dean Fischer, Tim Sytsma and Mike Martin (a 1980 SUHS graduate) are also expected to be wrestling for CCC next winter.

## The Store gets two key wins

In women's softball league play, The Store played two of its best games of the season and ended up with two important wins.

First The Store shut out Carlson's Chevrolet, 10-0, and then proceeded to upset Dodson's Store, 17-5, to move within one game of second place.

In other games, Paola's continued its winning ways with an 11-2 win over Brightwood Store, while Carlson Chevrolet won its first game, pounding out the runs to win over the Independents, 22-17.

Women's standings

Paola's Pizza	7 0
Dodson's Store	5 3
The Store	5 3
Brightwood Store	3 4
Wholesale Auto	2 4
Independents	2 4
Carlson's Chevrolet	1 7