

Girls soccer team falls

The Pioneer girls soccer team dropped two Mt. Hood Conference games in the past week.

They fell 10-0 to Gresham last week. "I was proud of the girls because they didn't resort to ugly tactics," said Coach Robert Karsten.

He added, "This is a great team. I love working with them, but we can only do so much with one year of training."

Dina Betschart, Pernilla Fack and Jennifer Kelter were credited with playing well on offense.

Anne Sarich, Crystal Calkins, Kendra Rowland and Linda Knofezynski were credited with playing well on offense.

Karsten said the girls were apprehensive about playing Reynolds Tuesday (considering the 10-0 loss to Gresham), and it showed.

They fell 7-1. "We were given some lessons on how to play soccer," Karsten said. He said the Sandy girls learned well. "We were more aggressive at the end," he said.

Christa Searls was credited with having played "a fantastic game" at goal.

Said Karsten, "To me, she was the player of the game."

Sarich scored the Pioneers' lone goal. They are now 0-2 in league play.

Pioneer boys drop two

The Sandy boys soccer team is 0-3 in Mt. Hood Conference play, having dropped games to Parkrose and David Douglas this week.

The Pioneers fell 6-0 to Parkrose on the Sandy field Friday. Coach Lon Welsh feels Parkrose may have one of the better teams in the league.

"They had excellent control of the ball," he said.

The Broncos took 16 shots at the goal, versus eight for the Pioneers. "We couldn't keep the ball away from the fast men in their front line," Welsh said.

Senior goalie Earl Pierson "improved markedly over the space of one game," Welsh said, adding he had eight "real nice saves."

Senior Victor Martinez, an exchange student from Spain, was a "bright spot" at halfback, Welsh said.

The Pioneers took a 2-1 lead into the halftime break against David Douglas in an away game Tuesday. Tim Pullen scored the first goal on an assist from Kevin Fabryski, and the second on an assist from Joel Dose.

Fabryski made a penalty kick with five minutes left in the game, which bounced off the goalie. Fabryski then hit in on the rebound for Sandy's third score. The Scots held on and won 4-3.

Senior defenseman Tim Zimmerman "played a real constant game," Welsh said.

Gymnasts fall to Centennial

The Sandy gymnastics team fell 114.7 to 97.5 in a duel with Centennial last week.

"I thought we improved," said Coach Molly Knudsen. "If we continue I think we can finish the season pretty strong."

She said she was especially pleased with the performances by the all-arounders, who are Cindy Parmenter, a freshman, her sister Kim, a senior, and freshman Jodie Dahlager.

Kim Parmenter and Dahlager did "real well," Knudsen said.

It was Cindy Parmenter's first outing as an all-around.

Scores in all events improved, with the most improvement seen in floor exercise. Falls off the balance beam "are still killing us," Knudsen said.

Dahlager had the best score in the all-around for Sandy. She was fourth overall.

Dahlager was second in floor exercise, with an 8.15 score. Kim Parmenter was fourth in floor exercise with an 8.05 score.

Prospect of a wrestling season provides hope

by SCOTT NEWTON

Chris Jones keeps working, though it may be to no avail.

He lifted weights all summer, and is drilling, though not actually wrestling, at the U.S.A. Oregon Athletic Club.

For all the progress he's made, and he's definitely a different person than the one who laid in a coma for 21 days after an automobile accident nearly a year ago, he still might not get to wrestle.

The Oregon School Activities Association has yet to grant him an additional year of eligibility, and three doctors and his parents must also give approval.

But it's that sliver of a chance that keeps him hanging on. "I just like wrestling," Jones said. "I like being around it."

He added, "I haven't really had much fun since the wreck, except for when I went up to a wrestling tournament in Canada. That was really the only fun I've had, and that was last May."

He went to the tournament with his brother Terry, 21. Terry was a three-time state champion at Estacada who attended Oklahoma State University for two years. He'll be wrestling at Oregon State University this winter.

Chris went with Terry and others to Vancouver, British Columbia, for the Canadian Open.

The accident and subsequent recovery has drawn Chris and his brother, Tim, 22, closer together, according to Chris.

"You know how everything kind of keeps on going, how everyone keeps doing what they've got to do," Chris Jones said, making a statement rather than asking a question.

"They can't quit. He did. He just quit what he had to do and he was kind of there, you know, to make sure I was getting better."

Tim, who has two third-place finishes at state (for Estacada), as well as a third in the junior college nationals, to his credit, will be wrestling at Southern Oregon this winter.

Chris's parents are Guy and Thelma Jones of the Redland area. Guy is a boilermaker, working for Northwest Marine on Swan Island.

Thelma works at the Bess Kaiser Medical Center as an appointment clerk.

Chris was on a hot streak before the accident. He had won the AAA 148-pound title, the state freestyle title, made the Cultural Exchange team (that went to Canada), won the United States Wrestling Federation's Western Nationals, and the U.S.W.F.'s Western Age Group Championships.

He has an 80-6 high school record.

Coach Ron Calhoun was expecting a banner year. With all the talent he had coming back, he seriously entertained thoughts of a state title.

It could have been one of those seasons most coaches only dream about.

But in November of 1981 Jones was riding to a football game with Carey Larson and Dean Fischer when the vehicle they were in collided with a Tri-Met bus.

Alcohol was not a factor in the accident, according to the Clackamas County sheriff's department, though deputies had found alcohol in the Ford Bronco.

Jones doesn't remember the accident, but rebortedly Fischer turned around, as a speaker had come undone.

"I guess it was just like when he turned (back) around, there was the bus," Jones said.

When Jones came out of the coma he learned about Larson's death. "There's a run, the Kelso

loop here, I can remember him making that run with me some of the time," Jones said. They had been working out together for the 1981-82 season.

Jones said the wreck is about the only "gray area" in his memory, though some things don't come back unless someone else brings it up.

Mentally, he said he isn't where he was before the wreck. "I'm not there now because for me to concentrate on something for a long time, that's very hard."

"Teachers that work with me, they can see that. But, it keeps getting better and better."

"Everything seems to be a matter of time."

Physically, he feels he's "cut better," with less body fat.

He's had some trouble with his knee. He has some stretched or torn ligaments that are taking time to heal, but it's better than it has been.

One doctor will have to okay the knee, according to Jones.

His eye is also a problem as the cornea is only a fourth as thick as it should be. "We're talking real thin tissue in the first place," Jones said.

Doctors will "replace the gray with good tissue," an operation that may be performed this winter. In another year a cornea transplant will be needed.

To get the second doctor's approval, Coach Ron Calhoun and Jones plan to construct a Plexiglas covering (for the eye, or eyes) to go on a mask.

In addition, a neurosurgeon's approval is necessary, and if an EKG (electrocardiogram) comes out all right, Jones feels he can get past this hurdle.

One good sign is that Jones hasn't had a seizure since coming out of the coma.



Chris Jones

Calhoun is more than optimistic the OSAA will okay an extra year of eligibility for Jones.

All that would be left, then, is his parents' okay. Said Jones, "There ain't no reason why they shouldn't say okay if I can get by all the doctors."

Calhoun, too, admits having reservations, but said, "If three doctors say it's okay, who am I to question that?"

One has to wonder, does Jones really think he'll get to wrestle this season?

"I don't know," he said. "I hope to. I keep saying 'yes, yes, yes,' but deep down I don't know."

Another question mark is, would the Chris Jones of the 1982-83 season be the Chris Jones of the past?

"I kind of expect to go out and lose a few when I start out. I don't expect to be any great wrestler this year," he said.

Calhoun is pleased with Jones's attitude, and adds, "He could be a

hell of a lot worse than he was two years ago and still win a lot of matches."

At the time, Calhoun said, the accident "took the wind out of my sails."

"Seeing him go from that table—from the coma—back to almost being like his old self, makes me feel a lot better about what I'm doing."

Learning to wrestle, like everything else, "seems to be like starting over. It all comes back a lot faster, but there's a certain point where you're just like you first started," Jones said.

His schedule at SUHS includes college credit English, civics, personal finance, physical education, geometry, and a study hall for geometry.

He could have set up a less demanding schedule and still would have met the graduation requirements, though that's not what he chose to do.

He took three classes last year after the wreck, although he wasn't in a competitive classroom environment then.

Through the summer he worked with a tutor on algebra and grammar.

Calhoun, always one to find the silver lining, said "I think he has a better sense of humor now than he did before. The things he says are appropriate, with better timing than before."

Jones sees it a little differently. He said, "I've learned from the accident a more realistic kind of attitude."

"Everyone says, 'Oh, just go ahead and wrestle. Don't listen to them docs.'"

"But how many of them don't have an eye, or how many of them would have a seizure every day if they went ahead and wrestled?"

Girls cross country team faces key match-up

The Sandy cross country team won a league triangular last week, an outing to remember, and was edged by Hillsboro Monday in non-league action.

The girls won 17-44 against Barlow at Blue Lake Thursday. Parkrose doesn't have a complete girls team.

The boys won 19-36 against Parkrose, and 25-30 against Barlow.

The Pioneer girls swept the top four places at Blue Lake, with Sharon Jensen, Donna Nelson, Polly Kelley and Laura Stringham finishing one right after the other.

Coach Scott McMullen was pleased. In position number five was Jody

Barnes of Barlow, last year's AAA 400-meter champion.

Nelson tripped at the end of the race, and Jensen stopped to help her, and then went ahead and finished, taking first.

Sam Romey "squeezed by" Brian Reick at the finish, according to McMullen.

Romey, however, went off the course, and had to run an extra 200 meters. All in all, it was a meet to remember, McMullen said.

Not only did Nelson trip and Romey go off course, but Stringham was bitten by a bee about five minutes before the race.

The course was long, McMullen said, so comparing times wouldn't be of much use.

McMullen was pleased with Brian Buhler, who "ran a good, comfortable race."

Reick was also credited with doing a good job. "He has the potential to compete right up there with Sam," McMullen said.

The win "inspired and brought together the girls' and guys' teams with realistic thoughts of going to state," McMullen said.

McMullen was also pleased with the Pioneers' showing Monday at the Hillsboro Invitational.

Hillsboro edged Sandy 77-73, with Franklin and Forest Grove out of the competition.

Nelson was credited with turning in an "outstanding" race.

She ran an 11:11 3000 meters. Sharon Jensen was third with a 11:39. Polly Kelley was sixth with a 12:19; Patty Groombridge was eighth with a 12:20; Laura Stringham was 10th with a 12:25; Lisa Hassett was 11th with a 12:36; and Petra Beissman was 12th with a 12:43.

Groombridge also turned in an "outstanding" performance, McMullen said.

Romey ran the 5000-meter course

in 15:48, and was about four seconds out of first place.

Phil Burks was sixth with a 16:49.

Reick finished eighth with a 16:59.

Tyson Cummins showed "super improvement" with his 16th-place finish in 17:49.

Audie Ellis finished 17th with an 18:01, and Phil Ayers was 19th with a 19:09.

From what McMullen has heard, Centennial's girls are a top contender for the league title, though they're fighting injury problems. That duel will be held on the SUS course at 4 p.m. Friday.

Pioneer coach inspires volleyball team

The Sandy volleyball team made a comeback in their second game for a 15-8, 15-13 win over The Dalles Tuesday evening.

The Pioneers took a 6-0 lead in the first game, but then gave up five points due to an inability to pass the ball, according to Roger Ford, assistant coach.

Head Coach Ron Grantz got up and "told them in no uncertain way they weren't playing like a varsity," Ford said. After that the game was all Sandy's.

The Dalles rallied in the second game, and had leads of 8-1 and then 12-5 before the Pioneers made their comeback.

Good hustle got them back in the game, Ford said.

"People started playing a lot better together," Ford said.

Jill Ingram did an "excellent job" in the back row, Ford said, taking charge and showing leadership abilities.

All in all, Ford is hoping they turned the corner Tuesday evening.

There was good team movement on the floor, and good communication, Ford reports.

In addition, the Pioneers had 90 percent serving accuracy, which is considered acceptable for the varsity.

Exercise class a good start

One way to start the morning on the right foot is by participating in the morning exercise class, sponsored by the Sandy Recreation Department.

The class begins Monday, Oct. 4, at the Sandy Community-Senior Center.

The class is held Monday and Thursday mornings from 9 to 10 a.m. A fee of \$1 is charged for Sandy residents. Non-residents are charged \$2.

About the comeback he said, "Though we didn't play our best, I hope this gives us the confidence to come back against other teams."

Ford was also pleased with sophomore Michele Fleischman, a center hitter. "She did an excellent job spiking the ball," Ford said.

It's really pleasant to see a sophomore gain experience like that, he added.

He said that The Dalles' coach also felt her team had played well.

Against Gresham Thursday the Pioneers were tied six times in the

first game, but ended up losing 10-15, and then dropping a second game 4-15.

Sandy is 3-3 in Mt. Hood Conference play.

Paige Daugherty and Tamee Lindsay both hit the ball well, Grantz said. "We need a lot of experience," Grantz said. "It's too bad we have to get it in league play."

He added, "They wanted to win awful bad. In athletics, you have to recognize that you must relax. You can try too hard."

Grantz said there are a lot of good

individuals on the team, but that they need to mesh as a team. We're looking for that "flow," he said.

Ford is hoping they found it Tuesday night. On Saturday they'll play in a six-team tournament, which includes the likes of number three-ranked St. Mary's.

The teams will play a round robin in the morning, with the top four teams playing a single-elimination tournament in the afternoon.

The championship game should be at 4:30 p.m. Saturday at the SUHS gym.



Linda Mosbrucker



Photo by Scott Newton

Tamee Lindsay spikes one for the Pioneers during a game with Gresham. Lorrie Shelton, in front, and Paige Daugherty are also pictured.

Softball association plans business meeting, elections

A meeting of the men's and women's Sandy Area Softball Association will be Oct. 5 at 7 p.m. at the Sandy Community Center.

All past, present and future members and sponsors are invited.

First on the agenda will be the election of officers for the 1983 season.

Elections will be held to fill three positions on both the men's and the women's executive boards. Also, a president will be elected.

At present the nominees for the men's board are Bruce Frick, Dan Dodson, Stu Simonson, Royal Proctor, Greg Randolph and Will Abshere.

Nominees for the women's board are Carol Hallsted, Angie Hoffman and Drenda Leathers.

Additional names may be placed in nomination prior to the election by contacting Mike Kern at 637-6135.

Nominees will also be accepted the night of the meeting.

Also included on the agenda will be the 1982 financial report and reports and discussion of this year's league play and activities.

The executive board strongly recommends that all persons and sponsors interested in participating in next year's softball program attend this meeting.