



Sandy High's Mike Rohweder, 148 pounds, won by fall in a recent Pioneer wrestling win over Gresham, 47-18.

Scott Skipper return pumps Sandy wrestlers for big win

With the Pioneers winning 47-18 over Gresham, one had to figure the wrestlers were up for the match.

Asked if this was the case, Coach Ron Calhoun said, "The team is just really up, period. And I think probably the major reason is the return of Scott Skipper. And it's not just because of his winning, or wrestling ability, it's just that he and (Chuck) Kearney have been such an important team all year long that the impact of their cooperation has spread throughout the whole team."

It has "changed morale." Skipper wrestled one of the more exciting matches Thursday evening, winning 5-3 over Rich Haggerty, who finished sixth in the state last year at 191.

Skipper was down 2-3 in the third period and working for a takedown when the referee awarded him a point on account of Haggerty's stalling.

Skipper broke the 3-3 tie with a takedown, which occurred with just three seconds showing on the clock.

John Cox, a 100 pounder, won 5-0 over Chris Bennett. Bennett reportedly tied a wrestler from Barlow "who the Barlow coach is very high on."

Larry Toppliff, at 108, got his record to 12-0 by pinning Ty Allison, "one of their better kids," in the closing seconds of the match. He dominated throughout. In addition, Toppliff had to make "major cuts" in weight to get down to 108.

State Champ Chuck Kearney, at 191 and "in typical fashion," got a first-period pin.

Kearney also has a 12-0 record.

SUHS 47, Gresham 18

- 100: John Cox won 5-0.
- 108: Larry Toppliff won by a fall, 5-46.
- 117: Brad Emerson won 6-3.
- 125: Hui Choi was pinned, 4:50.
- 132: Randy Swanson won by a fall, 4:32.
- 138: Dave Gibson was pinned, 2:28.
- 143: Robert Paul won 18-0.
- 148: Mike Rohweder won by a fall, 3:48.
- 159: Frank McKinnis won by a fall, 1:30.
- 170: Bob Wantowski was pinned, 5:32.
- 180: Loren Bateman won 8-6.
- 193: Chuck Kearney won by a fall, 1:35.
- HWT: Scott Skipper won 5-3.

Former classmate puts "bag" on SUHS cagers

They might start calling former Sandy Pioneer Troy Wolf "bagman" for the number he did on former schoolmates on Sandy's basketball court last week.

No, the Gresham High 5'9" junior guard hasn't become a street vagabond living out of bags, a bagman for the mob or even an initiate of the geru in Antelope.

The "bag" refers to the bags former Sandy teammates pulled over their heads in embarrassment, when talented Wolf ripped through the middle the last time here for an easy layin.

It marked the fourth time Wolf slipped through Sandy defenders for an uncontested bucket, and he made each shot look relatively easy.

Despite the 53-39 outcome, Sandy kept things close until Wolf went into his act in the fourth quarter for two field goals near the buzzer.

The Pioneers lost another tough one to league-leading Parkrose Tuesday, 75-43.

Sandy kept things close early, trailing on 13-12 at the quarter. Then a two-minute dry spell and turnovers put the Pioneers in the hole 30-20 at the half.

But Sandy's Gordon Brinser left injuries and Steve Pettingill fouled out to seal Sandy's fate. Parkrose isolated their star Rick Osborne, who hit 15 of his game-high 27 points in the fourth quarter. Also Eric Russell got open for 14 of his 20 points in the second half.

Robert Brader of Sandy snared nine rebounds and blocked six shots, something he's done in four or five games now.

Pat Baird led Sandy scoring with 17 points, while Pettingill added 10.

Against Gresham, Sandy jumped to a 7-2 early lead and closed out the first quarter 11-10. After falling behind 21-12 at half, the Pioneers outscored Gresham in the third quarter to trail by only six.

What spelled loss for Sandy were costly turnovers, letting Gresham's bruisers in close to the hoop to score and a whopping 35-21 rebounding shortfall.

Sandy's men came out aggressively after the half, but coughed up the ball repeatedly with errant passes and mishandled possessions.

Bulky 6'6" Kirt Voss, senior Bruin pivot, showed no mercy with a game-high 11 rebounds.

Sandy's Pat Baird, a 6'3" senior transfer, shined for the Pioneers with a game-high of 15 points matched with six rebounds.

There were other stars for Sandy. Scrappy 6'8" junior Robert Brader chipped in eight points and hauled down four rebounds.

Sandy teammate Steve Pettingill, a 6'3" junior, chimed in with eight more points.

Pioneer 5'11" junior Ron Muck added four points, while 6' senior Mike

Lund and 6'2" senior Gordon Brinser scored 2 points apiece.

Gresham's Voss scored 15, while Paul Maddox added 14, Tom Eubanks 10, Wolf 8, Mike Palmer 2 and Rick Frey 2.

Gresham shot 39.2 percent from the field, while Sandy shot 34.8 percent.

A big edge, however, came in free throw accuracy. Gresham canned 9 of 15 for 69.2 percent, compared to Sandy's 42.8 percent on 9 of 21 tries.

Gresham capitalized on more height and experience, despite aggressive play from Sandy. The Pioneers spent much of the night trying shots from outside.

When Sandy fell behind 15-10 in the second quarter, coach Dan Brisbin called time to regroup. But Sandy scored only two points in the second quarter with turnovers and rebounding problems to trail 21-12 at half.

The Pioneers came out with fire in their eyes after the break and forced a couple turnovers of their own. They pulled with two points at 29-27.

Things got out of hand again, as Troy Wolf slipped through Sandy for a clean layup.

But Sandy's Pat Baird calmly sank a pair of free throws to put the Pioneers close again at 35-30.

Then Wolf responded with another field goal to put his Gophers up 37-32 with less than a minute in the third stanza.

Sandy coughed up the ball at the close of the quarter, and a Gresham charity point added up to a 38-32 bulge.

Trailing 47-37, Sandy coughed up the ball three more times in their desperation.

Wolf ripped through the middle for another Gresham layup, at which point former Sandy classmates affected pulling bags over their heads.

Sandy's Pat Baird canned a late field goal to make the final score 53-39, in Gresham's favor.

The losses to Gresham and Parkrose Tuesday left Sandy at 0-5 in league play.

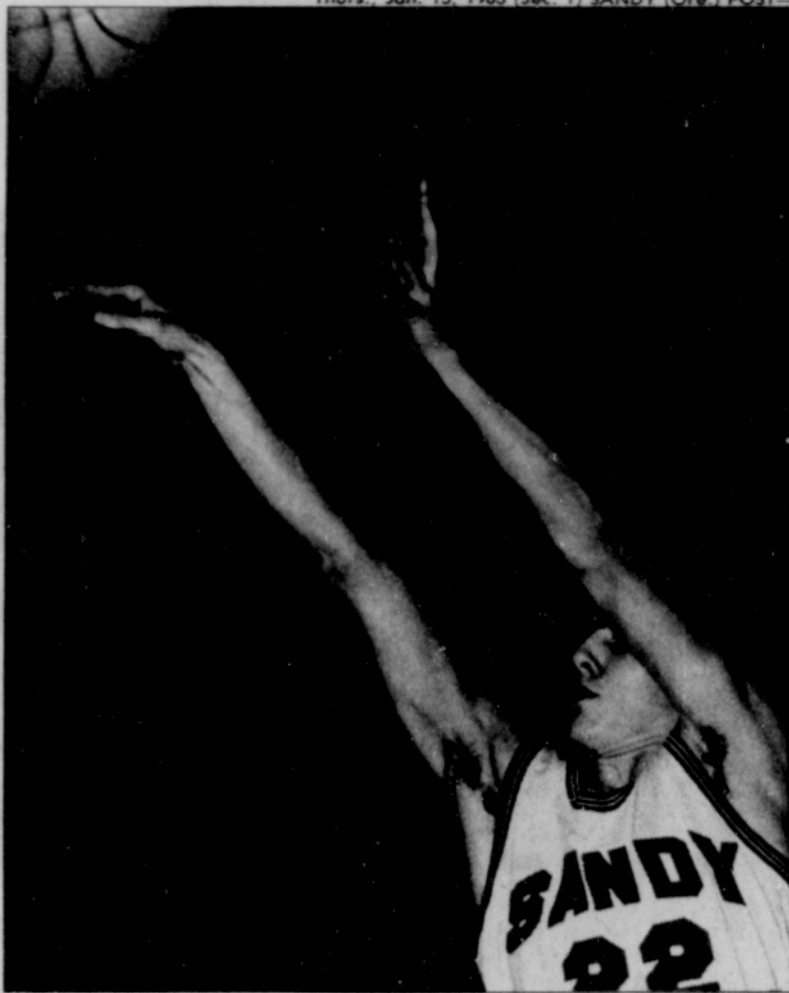
6'5" foe tops girls

Sandy girls basketball team was overpowered by Parkrose with 6'5" Lisa Ellis, tallest in state, as they lost on the road 63-30.

That brings Sandy's record to 3-7 (2-5, league), with next opponent Reynolds here Friday.

Linda Mosbrucker paced Sandy with 16 points, while teammate Tammy Lindsey added six points and eight big rebounds.

Jill Ingram and Ami Ashchoff chimed in four points apiece.



Staff photo

Sandy High junior Ron Muck pops in two of his four points in a recent home loss to Gresham, 53-39. The Pioneer varsity boys travel to Reynolds Friday for a 7:30 p.m. tilt, while Sandy's girls host Reynolds at 7:30 p.m.

Sandy boys splash through dual meets for 8-0 record

The Sandy High School Pioneers' boys swimming team continued to leave opponents in their wake this week, sweeping three dual meets and running their record to 8-0.

The girls weren't as lucky as they won a dual against Pendleton, and but dropped one to Barlow and Forest Grove.

Thursday, the boys swamped Pendleton 75-26, and Barlow 76-24 in the Barlow pool. Tuesday night they notched another victory, splashing past Forest Grove 63-41.

The girls beat Pendleton 71-36, but fell 68-48 to Barlow and 78-37 to Forest Grove. Their season mark stands now at 2-6.

He was pleased with some individual performances Thursday, however. Freshman Terri Hanson turned in a good performance in the 100 backstroke, he said. Tuesday, she continued her winning ways with the only girls' victory against Forest Grove, capturing the 200-meter individual medley in 2:39.86.

Individual winners Thursday included Hanson in the 100 backstroke in 1:17.7.

Heidi Lamer turned in a 2:23.47 for first in the 200-meter freestyle.

The girls also won the 200 medley relay with a time of 2:17.6. Terrell, Julie Dasher, Hanson and Lamer comprised that team.

For the boys, Richard Rolph, Jamie Tuttle, Matt Roth and Shawn Burns won the 200 medley relay in 1:53.04.

The 400 freestyle relay team, Kirk Benson, Javier Herrero, Brian Stamm and John Haugan, won with a time of 4:07.63.

Individual winners included Burns in the 200 freestyle (2:03.37), Benson in the 50 freestyle (24.44) and the 100 freestyle (56.98), Roth in the 500 freestyle (5:27.22) and the 100 backstroke (1:02.24), and Tuttle in the 100 breast stroke (1:10.9).

At Forest Grove, Tuttle swam to two first-place finishes. He captured the 50-meter freestyle in :24.7 and the 100-meter breast stroke in 1:07.9.

Stamm won the 500-meter freestyle (5:54.7) and the 200-meter medley relay team (Tuttle, Roth, Rolph and Burns) splashed to another first, bettering their Barlow meet time with a 1:52.4 clocking.

Cross country workshop set

Otto Rode, a cross country ski shop owner, will discuss the many aspects of cross country skiing this Wednesday, Jan. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at the Sandy Community Center.

Rode, a native of Norway, owns a ski shop in Lake Oswego and plans to open a store in Sandy. He will discuss

the care of skis, ski selection, proper clothing and safety. He will show a short movie as well.

Cost of the class is \$1 for Sandy residents and \$2 for non-residents. To register for the class, call the Sandy Recreation Department at 668-5569.

Gynther's shots save Loggers

Schoppert's Loggers, playing without center Alan Nippert, were figured to lose their "A" division city recreation basketball game against Rippling River Resort last Wednesday.

With a fourth-quarter surge including three consecutive steals, however, the Loggers pulled it out, 68-66.

Flawless outside shooting by Mike Gynther (16 points including 12 in the fourth quarter) brought his team back.

Then the Blazer Berries, looking like the team to beat, played consistent ball to overwhelm the Loggers, 84-74.

Blazer Tom Beatty

led all scorers with 27 points.

"A" Division Standings:

- Blazer Berries 1-0
- Louis Dreyfus Corp. 1-0
- Pleasant Home Mobil 1-0
- Schoppert's Loggers 1-1
- Rippling River 0-2

"B" Division

- State Farm 4-1
- Scenic FruitCo. 2-2
- Swartz Moving 2-2
- Mt. Hood Cleaners 2-2
- The Flyers 3-3
- Williams Thriftway 3-4
- Gresham Storage 1-4

"C" Division

- Dodson's Store 2-0
- Music Camp Ranch 2-0
- T-Talk Presbyterians 2-1
- Trailgrazers 2-1

- Dairy Queen 1-2
- Sandy Mountaineers 1-2
- Mt. View 0-2
- Fabricland 0-3

Hutchins 197 tops

Sandy Early Birds Second Half

- Zig Zag Inn 3-1
- Eagle Foundry 3-1
- West Coast Vending 3-1
- Raggedy Anns & Andy Too 1-3
- Brightwood Store 1-3
- Toni's 1-3
- Individual Game: Tinker Hutchins, 197. Individual Series: Tinker Hutchins, 471. Team Game: Eagle Foundry, 772. Team Series: Zig Zag Inn, 2,106.

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Congratulations to:
Larry Toppliff

SUHS senior Larry Toppliff is prep of the week.

He was recently selected Outstanding Wrestler at the Holiday Classic in Eugene. He has a 12-0 record and was recently selected athlete of the month.

Way to go, Larry!

Enjoy great pizzas & good times at Paola's!