PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL RAVENS TAKE CONTROL OF IMC

BY BRIAN RATHBONE The Bulletin

PRINEVILLE — The contest was so physical, it resembled more of a wrestling match than a basketball game at times.

The Ridgeview and Crook County girls basketball teams did not actually duke it out on the wrestling mat, but they might as well have. After all, the third matchup of the season between the Ravens and the Cowgirls Thursday night at Crook County High School was a brawl with the top spot in the Class 5A Intermountain Conference on the line.

"I'll feel fine tonight," said Ridgeview junior Lauren Harding after the game. "But I'll be sore tomorrow."

Unlike the first two meetings, it was Ridgeview that emerged victorious from the physical and hard fought battle, winning 33-25. Thursday's game was the fewest points both the Ravens (6-1 IMC, 14-6 overall) and the Cowgirls (5-2, 17-3) have scored in a single game all season. "We knew it was going to be

a battle," said Ridgeview coach Alicia Love. "They held us to 33 points, which is great, when we just scored over 60 last game. But our girls had their best defensive performance all year. It all clicked on that end."

This was hardly the first close game between the budding rivals. In the first two meetings, the Cowgirls were able to outlast the Ravens, winning both games in overtime. But the Ravens got their revenge and proved the "hard to beat a team three times" cliché to be true.

"We needed to play tougher," said Crook County coach Bob Boback. "The first two times I felt like we were the tougher team. I thought they outtoughed us tonight. We had a



Ridgeview's Jenna Albrecht (22) blocks a shot by Crook County's Josie Kasberger (4) Thursday night in Prineville.

hard time getting into our offense. They did a really good job on defense."

Offensively, the game was a struggle in which nothing came easy for either team. Fast-break points were rare and open layups or shots were tough to find for the conference's two highest-scoring teams.

The Ravens held the Cowgirls to just eight points in the entire first half.

"We really had to trust our coach and the offenses that she set up going into this game," Harding said. "We just had to trust each other to find open-

ings when they were there." Both defenses were able to keep the other team's top scorers from taking over. Crook County's trio of Katelynn Weaver, Emma Bales and Grace Brooks were held to a combined 23 points, while Ridgeview's Jenna Albrecht,

Faye Davis and Kyrah Daniels combined for 15.

Harding, who is known for grabbing rebounds rather than scoring, was the game's only scorer in double-figures with 12 points.

We have been trying to be more scrappy, and Lauren is probably the most scrappy kid that we have," said Love, who also pointed out that junior Brooklyn Homan and senior Lexi Gates stepped up to the physical challenge. "She plays down low but isn't a post player. She is so physical and I know she is going to work after every loose ball and every rebound."

Winners of five-straight IMC games, Ridgeview appears primed to capture its third consecutive conference title with three games remaining.

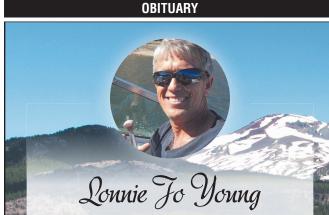
The Ravens beat their final three opponents - The Dalles, Hood River Valley and Redmond — already by an average of 34 points.

Meanwhile the Cowgirls, who have spent much of the season at the top of the conference standings and near the top of both the Class 5A OSAA rankings and coaches rankings, face a more challenging end to the regular season with second matchups against Pendleton and Redmond.

Crook County, Redmond and Pendleton are still alive for the final two automatic playoff berths. One team will have to hope for an at-large qualifying spot in the playoffs.

"We might have to win all three games or we might be watching another team play," Boback said. "It was disappointing to lose tonight, but Î really loved how my team battled tonight. It was another great effort." Reporter: 541-383-0307,

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Legislators are harming Oregon

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I'm a rancher in Powell Butte and the drought has become critically damaging to everything and everyone. See: bendbulletin. us/3uJPSBA. This Idaho project (about cloud seeding) has been being developed by Idaho for over 20 years and in the last five, they has advanced technology to the point of being able to deliver a extra 1 million acre feet of water a year, that's five Wickiup Res(PRIUSRLX), Foam w/ cover. You Haul. \$1800. 541-593-1660. succeed, and you can be a part of that solution. 264 This position is a full-Fuel & Wood

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Idaho and Utah have unambiguous data to use as proof, as cited in this Washington post article, bendbulletin.us/3sIsp0O. Oregon needs to do what Idaho and other states are doing with this. — Tony Newbill, Powell Butte

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July 5, 1965 - February 5, 2022

Lonnie Jo Young, life-long resident of Redmond, passed away at the age of 56 on February 5, 2022 at St. Charles Medical Center in Bend. Lonnie was born July 5, 1965 in Roseburg. He was a veteran of the Army and Assistant Manager of Quarry Hay & Feed in Redmond. He was an avid outdoorsman, loved fishing and all animals, especially his dogs & peacocks. Lonnie was preceded in death by his father, Marlon Young (1993), & his brother, Cary Young (2008). He is survived by his mother, Patricia (Hong) Young and Tricia (Young) Kutz, numerous aunts, uncles & cousins & a multitude of friends. His memorial service was at 2 pm on Friday, February 11, 2022, at the Redmond Memorial Chapel.

OBITUARY

Death Notices

Thomas Alden Henderson of La Pine

August 16, 1943 -February 4, 2022

Arrangements: Baird Funeral Homes in La Pine, OR

Please visit www.bairdfh. com to sign the online questbook

Services: No service

Thomas J Lakin of Redmond, OR December 5,1936 -December 14, 2021

Arrangements: Tom passed away while in Florida and was cremated.

Services: Catholic Mass 2:00pm, February 18, 2022, St Thomas Church, 1720 NW 19th St, Redmond, OR

Judy was born in Roseburg, the third child of Charles and Euleta O'Malley. After moving to Portland Judy attended Holy Redeemer through 8th grade and St.Mary's Academy graduating in 1958. Judy was a Junior Rose Festival princess, a runner up to Miss Portland (classical piano talent), and Miss Oregon Roller skate queen. Judy was a fashion model in the 1950's through 1970's. She loved decorating Department Store windows in Portland. She was active in St. Thomas Catholic Parish in Redmond where she assisted with decorating for special feast days and gardening flower beds. Judy died of covid related illness. She will be greatly missed by family who know she is now with the Lord in Heaven.

Judy is survived by Husband LeRoy, children Molly, Amy, Peter, Kate and five grandchildren.

Funeral service's were held off waiting for family schedules and covid pandemic to subside.

Services will be at the St. Thomas Parish in Redmond on Saturday February 26, 2022. Rosary 10:30am, Mass 11:00am, and Life Celebration noon with light lunch.

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