

WINNERS!

Hood River Volleyball Club's U14 team made a big statement earlier this month as it competed in its first Columbia Empire Volleyball Association tournament. The team, comprised of girls from around the valley, went undefeated in 12 games to win the tournament. This is the first year the club has joined the Portland-area CEVA league; the team will play six more tournaments with the league this season, which runs from January to March. Pictured are (back to front, left to right) Coach Suzie Preston, Madison James, Hannah Mc Nerney, Emily Curtis, Abby Bartles, Bailey Frazier, Haylee Baker, Elena Kroll, assistant coach Tonia Carter, (front) Haley Hughes, Kennedy James and Emilie Ellifritz.



STOKED!

Hood River Valley High School wrestler Ian Rand shows the glare of victory Wednesday night after picking up a third-round fall against his Hermiston opponent. Rand trailed the whole match but outlasted his opponent and turned the tide in the final round for the pin. The Eagles weren't quite as successful in the dual against the defending state champion Bulldogs, but they put up a good fight. Jessica DeHart, Jason Shaner, Jorge Ortega and Rand won for HRV, while the other ten matches went to Hermiston.

HRV continued its busy week of competition with a home dual Friday night against Mountain View and the all-day Hood River Elks Memorial tournament Saturday.



RESULTS

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Individual highlights are below.

HRV girls

Team top five: 1st Hood River (417), 2nd La Grande (355), 3rd Reynolds (320), 4th Pendleton (295), 5th The Dalles (174)

200 medley relay: 1st, Yasmeen Ziada, Kylie Webb, Dhani Freeland, Caitlyn Fick, 2:01.23

200 freestyle: Allison Burke, 2nd, 2:12.47

50 freestyle: Caitlyn Fick, 4th, 27.61; Courtney Castaneda, 6th, 37.87

200 IM: Yasmeen Ziada, 4th, 2:37.66

100 freestyle: Caitlyn Fick, 3rd, 1:00.48

100 butterfly: Dhani Freeland, 1st, 1:01.16; Kylie Webb, 3rd, 1:02.46; Yasmeen Ziada, 7th, 1:12.89

500 freestyle: Courtney Castaneda, 2nd, 6:00.42; Jocelyn Pedrotti, 4th, 6:34.13

100 backstroke: Dhani Freeland, 1st, 1:01.60; Allison Burke, 6th, 1:11.57

100 breaststroke: Kylie Webb, 1st, 1:13.20; Erin Sutherland, 8th, 1:26.77

400 freestyle relay: 1st, Kylie Webb, Caitlyn Fick, Allison Burke, Dhani Freeland, 3:57.22; 3rd, Jocelyn Pedrotti, Courtney Castaneda, Yasmeen Ziada, Erin Sutherland, 4:23.39

HRV boys

Team top five: 1st La Grande (422.5), 2nd Pendleton (378), 3rd Hood River (333), 4th Reynolds, 295, 5th Madras (182)

200 medley relay: 2nd, David Walker, Stan Ockeskey, Carlos Galvez, Trey

Schilling, 1:51.16

200 freestyle: Carlos Galvez, 6th, 2:02.62

200 IM: David Walker, 5th, 2:23.52; Andrew Rinella, 7th, 2:26.97

50 freestyle: Carlos Ybarra, 8th, 27.66

100 butterfly: Andrew Rinella, 6th, 1:06.36

100 freestyle: Stan Ockeskey, 3rd, 53.61; Cameron Marquez-Villegas, 10th, 58.73

200 freestyle relay: 2nd, Trey Schilling, Carlos Galvez, Cameron Marquez-Villegas, Stan Ockeskey, 1:39.03

100 back: David Walker, 2nd, 1:01.83

100 breaststroke: Daniel Mears, 5th, 1:14.82

400 freestyle relay: 4th, Trey Schilling, Carlos Galvez, David Walker, Andrew Rinella, 3:44.79

BOWL

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scratch 262 game that propelled him to a fine 636 series. That effort put Terry 129 pins over his average for the session. Just how good is that? Well, all-star Gordon Sim, one of the best bowlers in town, put together a prodigious scratch 756 series in the same session, which just happened to also be 129 pins over his average.

The smooth Mr. Sim, with the textbook style, knocked out a lofty 288 game in his big series. He also shot a scratch 704 series in the Thursday afternoon senior Lads & Lassies league. Gordon was the only bowler in town who climbed over the magical scratch 700 series mark last week. It takes a cool, confident and very competent customer to shoot a scratch series over 750.

That's a perfect description of Mr. Sim.

Carl Casey is definitely in the zone and he's no stranger to big numbers. Carl has a long and impressive resume of top scores in this great game. He's so quiet and unassuming you hardly know he's there, but when the dust settles you'll always find Carl in the thick of the battle. Carl grabs the clean-up slot on our fab five after rolling nifty scratch 267 and 235 games on his way to a solid 684 series in the Monday night Industrial league which was 114 pins over his average. This marks the fourth time that the easy going Mr. Casey has made the team of the week this season — the most by anybody in town!

Quinton Cox earns the anchor spot on the team after putting together another good performance in the Wednesday afternoon senior Colts and Fillies league,

where he topped his average by 109 pins. Quinton rolled a nice 210 game in his series. This is Quinton's third appearance on the fab five this season. He's clearly been bitten by the bowling bug after sparking his 3 Fingers Deep team to the Industrial league title last season; he's bowling three leagues this season. Bowling more usually leads to bowling better, and its always more fun to bowl better!

There were several more

outstanding performances last week that just missed making the Team of the Week. Leading all women in scoring was all-star Sandy Holmes in the Tuesday Nite Mixed, where she fired a beautiful scratch 652 series that was capped by 246 and 223 games. Sandy, who is one of the best bowlers in town, ended up 106 pins over her average for the outing, just missing making the team of the week by a mere three pins. In the Thursday Coun-

ty league, newcomer Marc Smith also finished up his three game session 106 pins over his average. Marc had a nice scratch 213 game in his set. And, the irrepressible Zach Mohun continues to beat up the sticks. Two weeks ago he was the No. 1

bowler in town. Last week he was 100 pins over his average in the Fraternal after firing solid scratch 231 and 214 games on his way to a fine 616 series. Zach has to be on the short list for most improved bowler in town. Great bowling everybody!

Who's Who?

2015

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Sign-ups open for Babe Ruth, HR Little League

■ For Babe Ruth, players can register every Wednesday night at the Hood River Valley High School indoor hitting facility (next to HRV baseball's home field) from 7:30-9 p.m. A copy of your player's birth certificate is needed at registration. The fee this year is \$90. For more information e-mail David Hough at: Yzhough@yahoo.com.
■ For HRV Little League (players from Hood River, Odell and Parkdale), signups will be run online this season at www.signup.hrvll.com. Players can start as young as five years old (as of Jan. 1, 2015). Early registration (by Jan. 31) is \$45; the fee increases to \$60 from Feb. 1-28 and \$75 after Feb. 28. Practices will start in mid-March. For more information e-mail hrvilleleague@gmail.com.

KLEEWAY

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help build, has been amazing," he said. "Honestly, it's part of the healing process. To see the community rally together and turn a tragedy into something positive and lasting for people to enjoy really embodies the spirit that Matt put into this place."

The largest of more than a dozen work parties for the trail drew almost 150 people this fall, and last spring another drew about 100. Additionally, a core group of bikers, builders, former friends of Klee's and complete strangers have turned out on a consistent basis to put their hands and backs to work to help see the project through, from the early stages of clearing slash and brush to the tedious work of shoveling, raking and shaping dirt.

"The sense of community with this project has been amazing and humbling," Ketler said. "We've had so many people and businesses step up to volunteer their time, money and services. It's pretty cool to see how the community can rally together like this to create something so positive."

Thanks to fundraising efforts, which quickly totaled more than \$30,000 donated in honor of Klee, professional trail builder Jason Wells was enlisted to do much of the design and machinery work for the trail. Wells, an Interna-

Lumberyard Party

On Feb. 20 HRATS is hosting a party at the Lumberyard in Portland from 5-10 p.m. in honor of Klee, who frequented the indoor bike park. The party includes half price admission, which will be donated to HRATS. The address is 2700 NE 82nd Avenue.

tional Mountain Biking Association trail builder, is a magician with an excavator and is, Ketler says, "a true asset to have in helping the project come to fruition."

While a specific date isn't set for when the trail will be complete, Ketler says sometime "this summer" is a good

guess, especially if weather continues its favorable path through the end of winter. Between now and then, workers will cut the remaining sections of trail, smooth them out and work to refine the rollers, banked corners, hips, lips

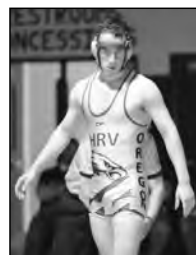
and other flow-riding features that are going to make Kleeway the most dynamic trail in the entire system. For beginners, it'll be a mellow, wide and high-cornered joyride down to the bottom, while advanced riders will be able to utilize the same terrain to jump and shred to their hearts content.

"It's going to be a trail for everyone, and a trail unlike anything else up here," Ketler said with a smile. "Matt would approve."



MATT KLEE

Athlete of the Week



Ian Rand

HRVHS wrestling

Ian Rand fought tough against his Hermiston opponent Wednesday night and finished with a third-round fall to claim the come-from-behind victory.

The Athlete of the Week will receive a large pizza with 2 toppings from Papa Murphy's. Congratulations to our winner 1-31-15.



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