

Oregon Beach Wrestling State Championships results



Photos courtesy of Hood River Valley Wrestling

Warm, sunny weather made for a good turnout at the 11th Annual Oregon Beach Wrestling State Championships held last Saturday down at Marina Beach at the Hood River Waterfront. Over 25 wrestling clubs were in attendance, represented by almost 80 participants, including many local wrestlers. Results for the top three in each classification are as follows:

Grade School Lightweight:
1st - Ezekial Lopez - Aloha
2nd - Noah Preston - Indy
3rd - Leyton Adams - Hood River

Grade School Middleweight:

1st - Ian Preston - Indy
2nd - Dillon Lee - Metro Mat Club
3rd - Moise Lopez - Aloha

Grade School Heavyweight:
1st - Trevor McCoy - Aloha
2nd - Ashton Brock - Aloha
3rd - Jack Tracey - Rick Sanders WC

Middle School Lightweight:
1st - Malachi Tishendorf - Sherwood
2nd - Brendin Lee - Metro Mat Club
3rd - Logan Moore - Aloha

Middle School Middleweight:
1st - Maka Yacapin - UP Vikings
2nd - Ryan Wheeler - UP Vikings
3rd - Evan Janson - UP Vikings

Middle School Heavyweight:
1st - Devin Neal - UP Vikings
2nd - Romeo Montonago - UP Vikings
3rd - Caleb Fields - UP Vikings

High School Lightweight:
1st - Jason Shaner - Hood River
2nd - Riley Riffe - UP Vikings
3rd - Patrick Wheeler - Unattached

High School Heavy Lightweight:
1st - Baylee Tran - UP Vikings
2nd - Matthew Lee - Milwaukie
3rd - Tony Alvarez - Aloha

High School Middleweight:
1st - Connor Kurtz - Centennial
2nd - Collin Swinehart - Central

SPORTS BRIEFS

Bernie Fagan soccer camps in HR

Bernie Fagan soccer camp will be coming to Hood River this summer. Fagan, the former professional soccer player and coach, has been running his youth soccer camps in the Portland metropolitan area since 1983. Following a successful professional soccer career, Fagan started the youth soccer camp scene in Portland and has long been a favorite summer camp for kids and parents. In addition to the camps, Fagan has been the Head Coach of Warner Pacific College since 1983, the Head Coach of Oregon Soccer Academy, and has served as the President of the Oregon Premier League. Fagan also joins with John Bain and another ex-player, Mick Hoban, as ambassadors for the current Timbers of Major League Soccer. Recreational camps will be held in Hood River June 29 to July 3 and Aug. 17-21. Hood River competitive camps will run June 29 to July 2 and Aug. 17-20. All camps will be held at the Hood River Middle School from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Go online to berniefagansoccer.com for information on prices and age groups or call 503-284-4951.

Another hole-in-one at Hood River Golf Course

For the second time in eight days, a golfer has gotten a hole-in-one at the Hood River Golf Course. Following up Devin Hobbs' one-stroke on hole No. 3 on May 21, Hood River's George Smith shot a hole-in-one on No. 7 from the white tee (130 yards). He used an 8-iron and was witnessed by Tom Sumoge, Elmer Foster and Bill Payne.



GEORGE SMITH

Gorge Roller Girls win finale

After defeating the Sis-Q Roller Girls by a score of 191-154, the Gorge Roller Girls trounced the Willamette Kidney Thieves at the Dalles Armory on Saturday by a score of 301-184. It was the last bout of the season for GRG.

Rock Creek Day Use Area Closed to Protect Nesting Bald Eagles

The Rock Creek Day Use Picnic Area, located near Rock Creek Reservoir southeast of Mt. Hood, is closed to public use this summer season as a resident pair of bald eagles is nesting within the area. The eagle pair has nested in the same area for the last seven years and fledged twins in 2014. This year, there are two chicks currently in the nest. By implementing the area closure, the Mt. Hood National Forest intends to avoid disturbing the nesting eagles as disturbances can lead to the adult eagles abandoning the nest, leaving the eaglets exposed to adverse weather conditions or predation. Although no longer endangered under the terms of the Endangered Species Act, bald eagles are still protected by the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (Eagle Act) and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. The Eagle Act prohibits anyone from disturbing an eagle to a degree that interferes with normal breeding, feeding, or sheltering behavior. Closing the Rock Creek Day Use Picnic Area offer a buffer between the eagle nest and human activity. Individuals who violate this area closure are subject to a fine of up to \$5,000 or imprisonment for up to six months or both. The Rock Creek Reservoir boat ramp will remain open for boat launching. However, vehicles will not be allowed to park on the boat ramp and will need to park in the overflow parking area located to the south.



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maining to seal the deal for the Eagles.

"That was a huge momentum changer," Luchsinger said of Brown's goal. "I definitely believe that broke Grant's spirits. That's one of the best behind-the-back goals I've seen in high school lacrosse."

Goals were once again by committee, with eight players scoring on HRV's roster, with Luchsinger mentioning that the well-roundedness of the Eagle offense was a huge strength because "there's no one person (opponents) can take out of the game. The more guys involved, the bet-

ter."

HRV's goals leader was Brown, with three, followed by Barton (2) Bruce Ostler (2), Jackson Lebsack (1), Elliot Cramer (1), Cody Wheat (1), Ben Van Hoose (1), and Jackson Lebsack (1), who also had a team-high three assists. Goalie Mikey Hall made nine saves for HRV.

HRV will now face the No. 7 Canby Cougars in the semifinals on Wednesday and will be looking for revenge after Canby defeated HRV, 17-7 in last year's Cascade Cup semifinals. Due to graduation setup, the game will not be at the high school as it would normally be. Instead, the game will be at the boys lacrosse practice field at Westside Elementary at 5:30 p.m.



Photo by Ben Mitchell

MIDFIELDER Bruce Ostler attempts to evade a check during Friday's game, during which he had two goals.

HRV

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in the early innings, with a bunt from Walker sending him first and then advancing to second off a single from Ward, who hit a line drive to left field. Third baseman Kellan Duffy then stepped up to the plate and after two strikes, hit a line drive to left field that turned into a two-run double after Walker and Ward successfully reached home to put HRV up 2-0.

The Eagles followed that up in the second, making Putnam pay for some poor pitching. Three HRV batters were walked by Kingsmen pitcher Alex Martin, which included an intentional walk of Duffy and a beaming of second baseman Patrick Har-

vey — who, inexplicably, has been a favorite target of the opposing mound, getting hit by 10 pitches this season, nearly double the next closest total of any batter in the HRV lineup. With two outs and a chance to close out the inning, Martin threw two wild pitches within a span of just a few minutes that resulted in scores by Hunter and Walker.

The hometown bats tallied eight hits in six innings, led by Duffy (2 for 3 at-bats, double, single) and centerfielder Dallas Buckley (2 for 3, double, single). The other six hits were the result of singles by Hunter (1 for 2), Walker (1 for 4), Harvey (1 for 3), and Ward (1 for 3).

Just because HRV has dominated so far in the playoffs, during which the team has outscored opponents 9-0

and given up five hits, doesn't mean athletes haven't been challenged.

"We faced the conference pitcher of the year in back-to-back games," Harjo said, referring to Dallas' Logan Hatley of the Mid-Willamette Conference and Putnam's Martin of the Northwest Oregon Conference. "We've competed so well against some of the best in the state. I'm so proud of how our guys have played. It's been fun."

No. 7 HRV's win set up a semifinal face-off with Columbia River Conference rival Pendleton on Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. in Hood River (results not available at press time). Despite entering the state tourney as a No. 14, the Buckaroos have thrived in the underdog role, defeating No. 3 Corvallis, 10-3 in the first round and No. 6 Cres-

cent Valley, 8-3, in the quarterfinals on Friday. Winner of that game will face the winner of Tuesday's Summit/Liberty game in the finals, which will occur Saturday at Volcanoes Stadium in Keizer.

Pendleton has played HRV close on a couple of occasions this season, with two of the teams' four meetings decided by one point, including a 9-8 HRV loss in Pendleton April 18. However, HRV took the season series 3-1 and has played extremely well at home, boasting a 12-1 record; the team's sole blemish came from a 4-1 loss to Redmond March 31. Harjo said Monday morning he expected a good game.

"To borrow a football term, it's going to be a smash-mouth baseball game," he said.



Photos by Ben Mitchell

KELLAN DUFFY (top left), had a big impact on the game with a two-run double in the first inning. At right, second baseman Patrick Harvey makes a play to first, and centerfielder Dallas Buckley, who had a double and a single, sprints down the first base line.

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