



Chantelle Carter heading to Silver State International Rodeo

Hood River's Chantelle Carter is heading next week to the Silver State International Rodeo in Winnemucca, Nev., for the second year in a row, where she will compete against some of the best riders in North America.

Carter, 16, is currently heading into her junior year at Horizon Christian School, where she is an honor student. She qualified for the Silver State International Rodeo after receiving high marks in the Washington State High School Rodeo last month, where she qualified in the barrels, poles, and cutting events, the last of which is a timed event where a horse and rider try to separate a cow from its herd and prevent it from rejoining the group.

Carter has been an active member of the Washington State High School Rodeo for the past two years, qualifying last year as a freshman for the Silver State International Rodeo for the first time in barrels

and representing Washington in the Queen contest where she received Miss Congeniality and Best of Parade. Carter competes in the Washington circuit as opposed to the Oregon circuit because it is easier to travel to many of the rodeo events in Washington, and a lot of her rodeo friends live in Washington, explained Carter's mother, Kathy Palmieri. Riders are able to choose the state or province for which they will compete.

Carter will be traveling with her relatives and Palmieri to the rodeo, which will be held June 30 to July 5. Palmieri will be serving as a judge for the Queen Contest. Next, from July 12-18, Carter and her mother will be traveling to Rock Springs, Wyo., with their national director where Palmieri will be working as secretary in the cutting arena, at the national level.



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SPORTS BRIEFS

Swim team ends June with good marks

The Hood River Valley Swim Team had a good showing the past two weekends at Mt. Hood for the Howard Jones Age Group and Senior A/B Swim Meets. At the Age Group meet June 12-14, Sarah Arpag, age 11, led the way with seven personal best times and three top-10 finishes in the 400-meter free (5:18.87), 200 free (2:27.15) and the 100 free (1:07.18). Skyla Hollowell, age 9, achieved her first-ever state "A" qualifying time in the 50 butterfly (49.80) which allows her to compete at the Oregon Swimming State 12U Swimming Championships in Albany in July. Campbell Keller, age 12, swam to 100-percent personal best times. Michelle Graves had one best time; Amy Elliott, Jesse Elliott and Shea Kasenga each had two personal best times at the meet, and Thea Smith had two 7-second drops in the 100 butterfly (1:49.18) and 200 freestyle (3:04.63) events. At the Howard Jones Senior Meet June 19-21, highlights included Scott Bergstrom's third place finish in the 400 freestyle (4:09.75); Connor Webb's sixth place 200 breaststroke (2:38.59); Kylie Webb's sixth place 400 individual medley (5:24.55), Dhani Freeland's eighth place finish in the 400 freestyle (4:47.23); Mariah Rawding's 10th place finish in the 1500 free (20:04.25); and Erin Nelson's four personal best times in the 400 free, 200 IM, 200 free and 100 backstroke. The women's 200 free relay of Freeland, Nelson, Webb and Rawding placed ninth, and the women's 200 medley relay of Danielle Miller, Webb, Freeland and Rawding placed fifth overall. Other swimmers competing in the meet included Celilo Brun, Allie Burke, and Nadia Smith.

Erin Jones to represent Team USA at Pan Am games

Triathlete Erin Jones has been selected as one of the three women who will represent Team USA in the triathlon event at the 2015 Pan American Games next month in Toronto. Jones, a Hood River native and 2009 graduate of Hood River Valley High School, currently travels the globe to race professionally in triathlons against some of the best athletes in the world. The triathlon events at the Pan Am Games, which will be held July 12 for the women, feature a standard Olympic-distance 1,500-meter swim, 40-kilometer bike, and 10-kilometer run course. Held every four years in the year before the Olympic Games, the Pan American Games are the third largest international multi-sport Games after the Olympic Games and the Asian Games. The history of the Pan American Games dates back to 1951 when the Games were first hosted by Buenos Aires, Argentina. The 2015 Pan American Games mark the 17th celebration of the Pan American Sports Organization event. The U.S. has hosted the event twice, in Indianapolis in 1987 and Chicago in 1959.

Gifford Pinchot cautions hikers about lack of water

Officials with the Gifford Pinchot National Forest are advising hikers to anticipate an increased lack of water in the forest due to low snowpack and drought conditions that have affected the Pacific Northwest this spring. When you visit the forest, be sure to bring enough water for everyone in your group, as backcountry areas where hikers traditionally found water for themselves and their animals are already dry, cautioned U.S. Forest Service Officials. "Hikers and backpackers should plan to pack plenty of water," advised Tedd Huffman, manager at the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument. "This is especially true in areas with less shade where people and animals can get dehydrated quickly."

Oilers working on first win

The Carson Oilers had a home game Wednesday evening, and lost to Gladstone, 10-0. "The game out started out really well; we had the bases loaded a couple of times," said coach Terry Bryant. "The game just kind of got away from us." Bryant said the young team has been playing against much older players, but is getting better at both hitting the ball and pitching. The American Legion Single A team has gone 0-5 in its start this season, but will have an opportunity to get on the board this weekend with a doubleheader at Milwaukie, starting at 2 p.m. The Oilers are back in town Wednesday for a doubleheader against St. Helens, which starts at 4 p.m.

Looking back: 40 years of the Kollas-Cranmer run



Memorial run continues to grow while staying true to its roots

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July 4, 1975: In the midst of the phenomenon known as the "running boom" that became that decade's athletic focus, and several weeks after the passing of Oregon cross-country/track and field legend Steve Prefontaine, a few dozen individuals gathered for a footrace from Odell to Hood River.

Four decades later, the event, now known as the Kollas-Cranmer Memorial Run, is still going, and has become a Hood River County tradition, serving as the kickoff to the area's Independence Day celebrations.

Since that 1975 race, the numbers have grown from a few dozen to a few hundred, with last year's official tally of registered participants listed as 387 runners and 118 walkers, according to race orga-

nizer Mary Gumm, who has served as the race's organizer since the late 1990s.

Nearly as many participants, and likely more, are expected to run next Saturday in what will be the 40th anniversary of the first "official" running of the event — nobody kept race times in the few runnings of the event prior to 1975, Gumm points out, and 1975 is considered the year when the race began in earnest.

The race is named in memory of Joe Kollas and Jerry Cranmer: two Hood River Valley residents who were both passionate about running and were both involved in organizing the event at different points in its existence.

Kollas, who was born in 1909 in Hood River, was an orchardist and

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RACE INFO

Time: 9 a.m.

Cost: \$25 for event and 2015 shirt, \$15 with another year's shirt, \$10 for event only.

Website: 4thofjulyrun.com



THE KOLLAS-CRANMER Memorial Run will be celebrating its 40th anniversary next week when the race starts Saturday, July 4, in Odell. Starting from top and working down: a News file photo shows the 1976 race (the earliest photo of the event we could find in our archives) going off; if you have a magnifying glass, Joe Kollas is the runner with white hair in the back of the group toward the middle of the photo. Next, a photo from last year's event taken by Adam Lapierre, showing how large the race has gotten over the last four decades. Above right, the obituary photo of Kollas. Above far right, the obituary photo for Jerry Cranmer.



Photos by Kirby Neumann-Rea

SUMMER SOCCER

Kicking, weaving, and passing, more than 100 youngsters enjoyed Eagle Summer Soccer Camp this week at Westside Field, including Spike Peterson and Hazel Goetz (see photo at right). The two five-year-olds share a ball during a drill in which the players worked on their form by repeatedly kicking the ball into the net. Participants worked together in age groups and also got to scrimmage. HRVHS Eagle players helped teach soccer skills along with coaches Jaime Rivera and Ken Brasnahan (shown). Taking a water break, Spike and Hazel and their friend Alyra Elliott, 5, compared babysitter notes. Asked if she had played soccer before, Alyra said, "I played soccer yesterday!"

