



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

BMCC’s Riley Gerlinger shoots the ball over Walla Walla’s Tiffani Dennis in the Timberwolves’ 87-83 loss to the Warriors on Wednesday in Pendleton.

COMEBACK: Nothing lost for Timberwolves

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off the backboard to put BMCC’s lead at its largest, 58-43, with 9:43 to go.

“It’s becoming a thing for her,” Driver said of the drastically-angled high-arc-ing shots. “She banked one in from the corner at Wenatchee, and I’m just like, ‘How do you bank a shot in from the corner?’ All you can do is smile about it.”

Reyna, who finished with 12 points, added another three at the five-minute mark to keep the lead in double digits at 65-55, but by then fatigue and foul trouble were starting to take a toll on BMCC’s defense.

With only seven players on the roster, the T-Wolves were at a disadvantage to a full-strength Warriors roster.

Finding more and more room to square up to the net as the game wore on, McHone caught fire down the stretch and hit four of her seven three-pointers in the last seven minutes. She finished with a team-high 27 points.

“We just didn’t talk as much as we needed to, knowing that there was a screen,” Moore said. “We were a little slow reacting.”

“When you start getting tired there at the end of the game you’re a half-step slower getting through that screen, and creating some more space, and you don’t bother their shot as much,” Driver said. “They started knocking them down.”

It was the second time this season the T-Wolves had watched the then-No. 1 team in the region escape certain doom at Mosby Court, but with a berth at the March 7-10 NWAC Championships already secured, Moore took it in stride.

“We’re still going to NWAC’s, it would have helped if we’d won, but we’re still going to play in the championships so there’s not really a lot that we lost,” she said.

The T-Wolves will play their final regular season game on Saturday when they host Treasure Valley at 2 p.m.

WALLA WALLA 87, BLUE MOUNTAIN 83, OT				
WWCC	28	41	18	— 87
BMCC	36	33	14	— 83
WALLA WALLA — Karli McHone 27, K. Corrigan 26, C. Davis 13, D. Johnson 5, B. Nygaard 4, L. Davis 4, P. Vincent 4, C. Kner 4, T. Dennis, 29-73 FG				
BLUE MOUNTAIN — Mar’Shay Moore 40, R. Gerlinger 17, K. Reyna 12, S. Heugly 12, B. Gregory 2, J. Desautel-Ootsey, L. Chung, 28-73 FG				
3-point field goals — WWCC 13-31, BMCC 12-31. Free throws — WWCC 16-23, BMCC 15-17. Fouls — WWCC 15, BMCC 20. Fouled out — none.				

WORST LOSS: T-Wolves start by missing 7 of 8

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Valley, but have still lost six of seven games to fall to the division cellar.

Walla Walla (13-15, 5-8) made its first four shots from the field — three from beyond the arc — to take a quick 11-2 lead. They would push the lead to double figures moments later and keep the margin above 10 for the game’s remainder.

“We’re just not tough enough — and it’s been the problem all year — to overcome adversity,” BMCC coach Adam Ellis said. “As soon as adversity hits, we’re the team that tries to find a scapegoat, instead of buckling down and finding a way to win. That’s who we are, and it’s unfortunate.”

The Warriors were dead-eyes from deep throughout but particularly to begin the game. They made 12-of-20 tries from deep in the first half.

The Timberwovles conversely never got it going from the field. They began the game missing seven of their first eight shots to quickly fall behind. They were just 10-for-34 at the break at which point they trailed 53-37.

The Warriors never slowed down. They matched the 53-point opening 20 minutes with another 53 points in the second. Once again they were prolific from range. They added 10 more from deep and finished with a red-hot 22-for-37 shooting night from long range.

Sophomore guard Satchel Schetzle paced the offense with seven made trifectas and

30 total points. Four WWCC teammates made at least two three-pointers.

Sophomore forwards Coleman McElroy and Max Mueller scored 16 points apiece in the loss for BMCC.

The 34-point defeat was the worst loss suffered by BMCC all season. The previous worst had been in the first meeting versus the Warriors, a 100-71 defeat in Walla Walla on Jan. 10.

“This is an interesting group. I love these kids to death. They’re great kids. But, it’s just been one of those year. We can play like the best team in the league one night and we can play like this the next,” Ellis said.

For Ellis the most disappointing aspect of the loss wasn’t not the margin but how the team played in the closing minutes. Reserve guard Justin Rivas was called for a technical foul with 49.9 seconds remaining. The disciplinary call was the first assess to a BMCC player all season long.

“That’s not who we are,” Ellis said. “You don’t want to say anything bad about your guys, but it was disappointing.”

BMCC will host Treasure Valley on Saturday at 4 p.m. in its season finale.

WALLA WALLA 106, BLUE MOUNTAIN 72				
WWCC (13-15)	53	53	—	106
BMCC (6-19)	37	35	—	72
WALLA WALLA — Satchel Schetzle 30, R. Krestschmer 1, J. Allen 2, G. Sawyer 13, P. Radliff 15, M. Mueller 6, J. Hahn 2, M. Grooms 15, N. Richards 17, G. Porter 5. BLUE MOUNTAIN — N. Williams 0, J. Schultz 8, Coleman McElroy 16, J. Bell 13, T. Thomas 2, Max Mueller 16, Q. George 0, J. Rivas 6, T. Martin 0, J. Christensen 4, J. Wells 1, L. Meyers 6.				
3-point field goals — WWCC 22, BMCC 4. Free throws — WWCC 12-18, BMCC 20-25. Fouls — WWCC 21, BMCC 19.				

College Basketball

Oregon ends losing streak to Cal

Associated Press

BERKELEY, Calif. — Joseph Young scored 25 points, Dwayne Benjamin had 18 points and 10 rebounds, and Oregon pulled away in the second half to beat California 80-69 on Wednesday night, ending a seven-year losing streak against the Golden Bears.

Elgin Cook added 17 points for the Ducks (21-8, 11-5 Pac-12).

Oregon made only four baskets over the final 11 minutes but countered that by going 10 of 11 from the free throw line down the stretch following a frenetic first half.

Young, the Pac-12’s leading scorer, got the Ducks going early while Benjamin had 14 of his points in the second half.

The win keeps the Oregon in third place and strengthened its bid for a first-round bye in the post-season conference tournament.

Jabari Bird scored 22 points with six rebounds for California (16-12, 6-9).

Oregon hadn’t defeated California since Feb. 9, 2008 and had dropped 12 straight before handing the Bears their third consecutive loss.

Young put on another impressive scoring display in the first half when he repeatedly scorched the Bears from the perimeter.

The Pac-12’s leading scorer had 17 points before halftime, including a pair of 3-pointers that helped stake Oregon to a 39-35 lead. He missed a chance to extend the lead just before the buzzer when David Kravish blocked Young’s layup attempt with two seconds remaining.

Bird, who struggled as



Oregon’s Joseph Young shoots against California’s Dwight Tarwater (1) during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2015, in Berkeley, Calif.

AP Photo/Ben Margot

a highly touted freshman in 2013, nearly matched Young and kept the Bears close with 16 points in the first half.

California opened the second half on an 11-5 run, capped by consecutive 3s from Bird and Sam Singer, and led 48-44.

Benjamin’s follow-up of his own miss put the Ducks back in front and his short hook shot extended Oregon’s lead to 54-51.

Cook made five straight free throws to make it 65-58. He later scored on a soaring left-handed dunk to help seal the win.

WASHINGTON STATE 70, USC 66 — At Los Angeles, Dexter Kernich-Drew scored 19 points, DaVonte Lacy added 17 and Washington State held off a late rally to beat Southern California Wednesday.

Josh Hawkinson added 11 points and 13 rebounds for the Cougars (12-15, 6-9 Pac-12) to tie the school’s single-season record with 17 double-doubles. It was Washington State’s first road win since Jan. 10 and just its third all season.

WSU led 55-36 with

11:19 to go, but the Trojans (10-18, 2-14) staged a furious rally to cut the lead to 69-66 with 13 seconds to go. Hawkinson made 1 of 2 free throws to give the Cougars a valuable four-point lead with six seconds left, and USC turned it over on its final possession.

Julian Jacobs had 16 points, nine assists and five rebounds to lead the Trojans. Malik Marquetti and Katin Reinhardt scored 16 points apiece and Nikola Jovanovic had 10 points and seven rebounds.

Washington State made six 3-pointers in the first half, including four by Kernich-Drew, to get out to a 37-27 halftime lead. The Cougars set the tone with runs of 10-0 and 14-2 in the opening period.

UCLA 88, WASHINGTON 66 — Los Angeles, Norman Powell scored 24 points, Tony Parker added 20 and UCLA led all the way in routing Washington Wednesday night to end a two-game skid.

The Bruins (17-12, 9-7 Pac-12) were coming off getting swept in the Arizona desert last weekend. They’re

desperate to end the regular season with three straight victories at home to bolster their NCAA tournament resume, which lacks any wins over top-notch opponents.

Andrew Andrews scored 15 of his 18 points in the second half to lead the Huskies (15-12, 4-11), who have lost eight of their last nine and are just ahead of last-place Southern California in the league standings. Andrews was coming off a career-high 35-point effort in a win over Washington State.

Nigel Williams-Goss added 17 points for the Huskies.

UCLA improved to 14-1 at home and has won five in a row over the Huskies, who were making their first trip to Pauley Pavilion since 2012-13.

The Bruins raced out to a 19-5 lead to start the game and kept going from there. They led by 18 points on Bryce Alford’s dunk and were twice up by 21 points late in the first half before going into the break ahead 46-25. UCLA shot 64 percent and controlled the boards, 24-10, while holding the Huskies to 29 percent shooting.

BLAZERS: 10-0 run secures lead in fourth

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an 11-0 run that gave the Blazers a 67-54 lead. San Antonio responded with six quick points, but Portland quickly halted the Spurs’ momentum by scoring nine of the next 11 to take a 76-62 lead.

San Antonio, trailing 81-71 after three, threatened the Blazers again when Green and Tony Parker hit 3-pointers to start the fourth quarter. Portland, a loser in five of its previous nine games when leading after three quarters, regained control when Matthews hit two 3s during a 10-0 run.



San Antonio Spurs forward Tim Duncan, right, looks to pass as Portland Trail Blazers center Robin Lopez defends during the first half of an NBA basketball game in Portland, Ore., Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2015.

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SCOREBOARD

Local Slate

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL	
Friday	Faith Bible at Heppner (2A first round), 6 p.m.
	Columbia Christian at Nixyaawii (1A second round), 6 p.m.
	Umatilla at Dayton (3A first round), 7 p.m.
	Vernonia at Irrigon (2A first round), 7 p.m.
PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL	
Saturday	Weston-McEwen at Vernonia (2A first round), 2 p.m.
	Regis at Pilot Rock (2A first round), 6 p.m.
	Umatilla at Amity (3A first round), 6 p.m.
	TBD at Echo (1A second round), TBA
	TBD at Condon/Wheeler (1A second round), TBA
PREP WRESTLING	
Friday-Saturday	Hermiston, Pendleton, Mac-Hi, Riverside, Heppner at State Championships (Veterans Memorial Coliseum), 8:30 a.m.
COLLEGE MEN’S BASKETBALL	
Today	Walla Walla at Blue Mountain, 8 p.m.
	Eastern Oregon at Concordia (CCC Tournament), 7 p.m.
Saturday	Treasure Valley at Blue Mountain, 4 p.m.
COLLEGE WOMEN’S BASKETBALL	
Today	Walla Walla at Blue Mountain, 6 p.m.
Friday	Northwest Christian at Eastern Oregon (CCC Semifinals), 7 p.m.
Saturday	Treasure Valley at Blue Mountain, 2 p.m.
COLLEGE SOFTBALL	
Today	Eastern Oregon at Walla Walla U. (DH), Noon
Friday	Eastern Oregon vs. Carroll (CofI Invitational), 10 a.m. MT
	Eastern Oregon vs. University of Great Falls (CofI Invitational), Noon MT
Saturday	Eastern Oregon vs. Northwest Nazarene (CofI Invitational), 10 a.m. MT
	Eastern Oregon vs. Montana St-Billings (CofI Invitational), 4 p.m. MT
	Sunday, Mar. 1
	Eastern Oregon vs. Montana St-Billings (CofI Invitational), 10 a.m. MT
	Eastern Oregon vs. University of Great Falls (CofI Invitational), 2 p.m. MT
OSAA Playoffs	
Boys	
Class 4A Play-in Round	
Friday	Sisters at SOUTH UMPQUA 6:00pm
	North Marion at BAKER 6:00pm
	Elmira at CASCADE 7:00pm
	Crook County at SEASIDE 7:00pm
	Yamhill-Carlton at JUNCTION CITY 7:00pm
	Hidden Valley at VALLEY CATHOLIC 7:00pm
	Stayton at MADRAS 7:15pm
Class 3A First Round	

Friday	
No. 10 Cascade Christian at No. 7 NYSSA, 5 p.m.	
No. 9 Amity at No. 8 ROGUE RIVER, 6 p.m.	
No. 14 Coquille at No. 13 DE LA SALLE NORTH CATHOLIC, 6:30 p.m.	
No. 15 Colton at No. 2 HORIZON CHRISTIAN, 7 p.m.	
No. 13 Clatskanie at No. 4 CRESWELL, 7 p.m.	
No. 12 Salem Acad. at No. 5 SANTIAM CHRISTIAN, 7 p.m.	
No. 16 Umatilla at No. 1 DAYTON, 7 p.m.	
Class 2A First Round	
Friday	No. 9 Oakland at No. 8 BURNS, 5 p.m.
No. 11 Union at No. 6 KNAPPA, 6 p.m.	
No. 14 Faith Bible at No. 3 HEPPNER, 6 p.m.	
No. 12 Bandon at No. 5 REGIS, 6 p.m.	
No. 10 Imbler at No. 7 WESTERN MENNONITE, 6 p.m.	
No. 15 Lost River at No. 2 TOLEDO, 6 p.m.	
No. 13 Central Linn at No. 4 OAKRIDGE, 7 p.m.	
No. 16 Vernonia at No. 1 IRRIGON, 7 p.m.	
Class 1A First Round	
Tuesday	DAYS CREEK 67, Chiloquin 51
CRANE 54, Echo 49	
Adrian 45, TRIAD 43 (OT)	
Dufur 63, JOSEPH 42	
CROSSHILL CHRISTIAN 53, Lowell 41	
TRIANGLE LAKE 52, North Douglas 41	
SHERMAN 79, Life Christian 53	
COLUMBIA CHRISTIAN 56, C.S. Lewis Acad. 36	
1A Second Round	
Friday	No. 11 Dufur at No. 6 SILETZ VALLEY, 6 p.m.
No. 10 Sherman at No. 7 DAMASCUS CHRISTIAN, 6 p.m.	
No. 15 Days Creek at No. 2 COUNTRY CHRISTIAN, 6 p.m.	
No. 12 Columbia Christian at No. 5 NIXYAII, 6 p.m.	
No. 9 Crosshill Christian at No. 8 JORDAN VALLEY, 6 p.m.	
No. 13 Adrian at No. 4 HOSANNA CHRISTIAN, 7 p.m.	
No. 14 Crane at No. 3 YONCALLA, 7 p.m.	
No. 16 Triangle Lake at No. 1 HORIZON CHRISTIAN, 7 p.m.	
Girls	
Class 4A Play-in Round	
Friday	Tillamook at KLAMATH UNION, 5 p.m.
Molalla at MADRAS, 5:30 p.m.	
Marshfield at DOUGLAS, 7 p.m.	
Saturday	Stayton at BAKER, 1 p.m.
Sisters at PHILOMATH, 6 p.m.	
Class 3A First Round	
Saturday	No. 15 Santiam Christian at No. 2 VALE, 1 p.m.
No. 11 Portland Christian at No. 6 LAKEVIEW, 2 p.m.	
No. 9 Scio at No. 8 ST. MARY’S-MEDFORD, 4 p.m.	
No. 16 Rainier at No. 1 PLEASANT HILL, 5 p.m.	
No. 13 Glide at No. 4 SALEM ACAD., 6 p.m.	
No. 14 Colton at No. 3 DAYTON, 6 p.m.	
No. 12 Umatilla at No. 5 AMITY, 6 p.m.	
No. 10 Creswell at No. 7 PORTLAND ADVENTIST ACAD., 7 p.m.	
Class 2A First Round	
Saturday	

Friday	
No. 15 Gold Beach at No. 2 KENNEDY, 12:30 p.m.	
No. 11 Faith Bible at No. 6 BURNS, 2 p.m.	
No. 12 Grant Union at No. 5 MONROE, 2 p.m.	
No. 14 Weston-McEwen at No. 3 VERNONIA, 2 p.m.	
No. 13 Bonanza at No. 4 UNION, 3 p.m.	
No. 9 Lost River at No. 8 MYRTLE POINT, 5:30 p.m.	
No. 10 Regis at No. 7 PILOT ROCK, 6 p.m.	
No. 16 City Christian at No. 1 WESTERN MENNONITE, 6 p.m.	
Class 1A First Round	
Wednesday	TRINITY LUTHERAN 60, Jordan Valley 55
Camas Valley 48, SILETZ VALLEY 46	
POWDER VALLEY 48, Dufur 30	
ELKTON 52, Hosanna Christian 27	
SHERMAN 39, North Clackamas Christian 15	
ADRIAN 50, Wallowa 21	
PORTLAND LUTHERAN 50, Falls City 39	
Lowell 56, WILLAMETTE VALLEY CHRISTIAN 33	
NBA	
Wednesday’s Games	
Miami 93, Orlando 90, OT	
Atlanta 104, Dallas 87	
Boston 115, New York 94	
New Orleans 102, Brooklyn 96	
Charlotte 98, Chicago 86	
Milwaukee 104, Philadelphia 88	
Minnesota 97, Washington 77	
Houston 110, L.A. Clippers 105	
Phoenix 110, Denver 96	
L.A. Lakers 100, Utah 97	
Sacramento 102, Memphis 90	
Portland 111, San Antonio 95	
Thursday’s Games	
Golden State at Cleveland, 5 p.m. (TNT)	
Oklahoma City at Phoenix, 7:30 p.m. (TNT)	
NCAA	
Top 25	
Wednesday’s Games	
No. 1 Kentucky 74, Mississippi State 56	
No. 2 Virginia 70 Wake Forest 34	
No. 4 Duke 91, Virginia Tech 86 (OT)	
No. 10 Northern Iowa 68, Evansville 57	
No. 11 Wichita State 63, Indiana State 53	
No. 19 Baylor 79, No. 12 Iowa State 70	
Richmond 67, No. 22 VCU 63	
No. 23 Butler 73, Marquette 52	
Today’s Games	
No. 3 Gonzaga vs. San Diego, 8 p.m. (ESPN2)	
No. 7 Arizona at Colorado, 6 p.m.	
No. 13 Utah vs. Arizona State, 7:30 p.m.	
No. 21 SMU at Memphis, 6 p.m.	
Pac-12	
Arizona	12-2
Utah	11-3
Oregon	11-5
Stanford	8-6
UCLA	9-7
Oregon St.	8-7
Arizona St.	7-7
California	6-9
Washington St.	6-9
Washington	4-11
USC	2-14
Today’s Games	
Oregon 80, California 69	
Washington State 60, USC 66	
Washington 88, UCLA 66	
Thursday’s Games	

No. 7 Arizona at Colorado, 6 p.m.

Arizona St. at No. 13 Utah, 7:30 p.m. (FS1)

Oregon St. at Stanford, 8 p.m. (PACN)

Women

Top 25

Wednesday's Games

Oklahoma 68, No. 3 Baylor 64

No. 21 Florida Gulf Coast 56, North Florida 24

Today's Games

No. 2 South Carolina vs. No. 11 Mississippi State, 4 p.m. (FSN)

No. 4 Notre Dame vs. Pittsburgh, 4 p.m.

No. 5 Maryland vs. Indiana, 4 p.m.

No. 6 Tennessee at Georgia, 4 p.m.

No. 7 Oregon State vs. No. 19 Stanford, 6 p.m. (PACN)

No. 8 Louisville vs. Boston College, 4 p.m.

No. 9 Florida State vs. N.C. State, 4 p.m.

No. 12 Texas A&M vs. Missouri, 5 p.m.

No. 13 Kentucky at Arkansas, 5 p.m.

No. 15 North Carolina vs. Virginia, 4 p.m.

No. 16 Duke at Georgia Tech, 4 p.m.

No. 17 Iowa vs. Wisconsin, 5 p.m.

No. 20 Rutgers at No. 25 Northwestern, 5 p.m.

No. 22 George Washington at Richmond, 4 p.m.

No. 23 Syracuse at Clemson, 4 p.m.

No. 24 California at Oregon, 6 p.m.

Pac-12

Oregon St.

Arizona St.

California

Stanford

Washington

USC

UCLA

Washington St.

Colorado

Oregon

Utah

Arizona

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Thursday's games

Stanford at Oregon St., 6 p.m. (PACN)

USC at Washington, 6 p.m.

California at Oregon, 6 p.m.

UCLA at Washington St., 7 p.m.

Hockey

Wednesday's Games

Calgary 3, New Jersey 1

Pittsburgh 4, Washington 3

Ottawa 3, Anaheim 0

Today's Games

Vancouver at Buffalo, 4 p.m.

Arizona at N.Y. Rangers, 4 p.m.

Montreal at Columbus, 4 p.m.

Rhineclaph 6 Swift Current 2

Chicago at Florida, 4:30 p.m.

St. Louis at Winnipeg, 5 p.m.

Minnesota at Nashville, 5:30 p.m.

Ottawa at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.

Detroit at San Jose, 7:30 p.m.

WHL

Wednesday's results

Brandon 5 Medicine Hat 0

Kootenay 5 Regina 4 (ISO)

Saskatoon 6 Swift Current 2

Red Deer 2 Edmonton 1

Calgary 5 Portland 4 (OT)

Kelowna 4 Victoria 2

Spokane 3 Everett 1

Thursday's games

Edmonton at Lethbridge, 5 p.m.