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Penn State ditching jersey names

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Penn State's football jerseys will have a throwback look this season: no names.

The university said Thursday it's returning to the style it sported for 125 years before player names were added the last three seasons.

Coach James Franklin says there's only one name that matters: Penn State.

Former Coach Bill O'Brien added names to Penn State's solid blue and white jerseys in 2012 as tribute to players who stayed in the wake of the Jerry Sandusky child-sex abuse scandal.

Now the Nittany Lions are again embracing plainness and individual anonymity, even adopting the slogan it used en route to the 2008 Big Ten Championship: "Black Shoes. Basic Blues. No Names. All Game."



Popovich to coach Team Africa

NEW YORK (AP) — Gregg Popovich will coach Team Africa with captain Luol Deng, while brothers Pau and Marc Gasol will play for Team World in the NBA's first game in Africa.

Popovich, the five-time champion from the San Antonio Spurs, will guide Team Africa in the Aug. 1 game in Johannesburg, the league announced Thursday.

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"Listen, if you want to become anything close to being a god, the first thing you've got to know how to do is know how to decimate. If you're a god, you have to know how to decimate, and that's what she does."

— Mike Tyson

Former boxing heavyweight world champion after watching UFC female bantamweight champion Ronda Rousey train. The two fighters have found a common bond through their dominance in the ring.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1909 — Cleveland short-stop Neal Ball pulls off the first unassisted triple play in modern major league history.

1980 — The Summer Olympics open in Moscow without the United States and 64 other boycotting countries.

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PENDLETON

Seahawks Let 'er Buck



Fans flock to 12 Tour at Round-Up Stadium

By MATT ENTRUP
East Oregonian

The 12's were out in full force on Thursday to welcome the Seattle Seahawks to Round-Up Stadium.

An estimated 1,200 fans turned out for the Pendleton stop on the Seahawks 12 Tour, with some arriving as early as 9 a.m. for the midday event.

"I had a goal in my head of 1,000 people coming to this and we hit that easily," said Travel Pendleton event recruiter Pat Beard. "We were setting up that stage at 9:30 and I look out and here they are in Seahawks gear, they were ready. It was an incredible thing."

Wide receiver B.J. Daniels and fullback Will Tukuafu represented the Seahawks, as well as mascot Blitz and the Blue Thunder band, and a horseback rider in full warrior regalia carried the 12th Man flag into the arena where it was raised to full mast.

Daniels and Tukuafu then spent over an hour — more than twice the allotted time — signing autographs, taking pictures and making sure every fan went home happy.

"It's amazing, it's real humbling," said Tukuafu, a sixth-year pro out of Oregon. "I mean, you see the fans, hopefully they're in

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MAIN PHOTO: The Seahawks 12th Man flag flies over Round-Up Stadium on Thursday in Pendleton. **LEFT:** Seahawks wide receiver B.J. Daniels is greeted by fans as he makes his way to the stage. **MIDDLE:** Bryson Bronson carries the 12th Man flag past the bucking chutes. **RIGHT:** Seahawks fullback Will Tukuafu signs a fan's football.

WNBA

Dream get rare road win

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Angel McCoughtry scored 22 points, Aneika Henry made the go-ahead basket with 29 seconds left and Atlanta beat the Los Angeles Sparks 76-72 on Thursday for the Dream's second road win.

Henry's putback of a McCoughtry miss gave Atlanta a 74-72 lead — the Dream's first lead since it was 48-47. Los Angeles' Jantel Lavender missed a long jumper with 2.7 seconds left and McCoughtry made two free throws to seal it.

Henry finished with 16 points for Atlanta (7-8). McCoughtry was just 5-of-20 shooting from the field but hit 12 of 13 free throws. Atlanta

extended its winning streak against Los Angeles to five straight games.

Shoni Schimmel played nearly 13 minutes in a reserve role, and the WNBA All-Star finished with five points on 2-of-4 shooting and added two assists.

Lavender recorded her eighth double-double with 20 points and 11 rebounds for Los Angeles (2-12). Nneka Ogwumike added 19 points and six rebounds in front of an energetic crowd on camp day. Los Angeles committed 16 turnovers, a day after having 21 against Seattle.

Erin Phillips' 3-point play highlighted a 9-2 run for Los Angeles to open the fourth quarter for a 65-54 lead. But Atlanta reeled off a 15-5 burst to pull within 70-69 with 3:09 remaining.



Los Angeles Sparks' Temecka Johnson, middle, drives between Atlanta Dream's Aneika Henry, left, and Shoni Schimmel during the first half of a WNBA basketball game in Los Angeles, Thursday, July 16, 2015.

AP Photo/Chris Carlson



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In this 2014 file photo, George Garber of Spokane chips out of a sand hazard on the ninth hole at Wildhorse Resort Golf Course in Mission.

MISSION

Wildhorse Amateur growing

Top prizes, unconventional format among draws

By MATT ENTRUP
East Oregonian

Amateur golfers from around the Pacific Northwest will converge at Wildhorse Resort Golf Course this weekend.

The Wildhorse Amateur Golf Championship will take place on Saturday and Sunday, and Pendleton's

Nathan Dick will have his work cut out for him to defend his 2014 title.

The field has grown to more than 100 players this year, said Wildhorse head pro Mike Hegarty.

"We have 35 players entered with a 6 handicap or less, so it's really becoming a player's tournament," he said.

Hegarty contributes the growth to several factors.

The first is the tournament's top payouts. Due to the lagging economy, Hegarty said several tournaments aren't awarding the maximum in

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