

PENDLETON

Open going strong at 50

Pendleton Swim Association swimmer Melinda Cramp, 12, center in the green cap, dives off the blocks while competing in the 400-meter freestyle on Friday in Pendleton.

Staff photo by E.J. Harris



Pendleton swim meet attracts teams from around northwest

By MATT ENTRUP
East Oregonian

Fourteen teams and more than 400 swimmers can't be wrong. Far from over the hill, the Pendleton Open's 50th birthday is the place to be this weekend for youth swimmers in the Pacific Northwest. Teams from all corners of the region will compete throughout the weekend as athletes try for personal bests in Pendleton's Olympic-size pool. Former Pendleton Swim Association coach and swimmer Donna Collins remembers when that wasn't the case. She competed in the first Pend-



Former Pendleton coach Donna Collins swam in the very first PSA swim meet fifty years ago in 1966.

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leton Open in 1966. It was just two teams, and the Pendleton Sea Horses beat La Grande 233-218. "It's amazing what it's grown into," she said during Friday's heats in the 400-meter freestyle. "It's been fun to watch." Collins said she wasn't sure

how she did in that first meet — "I probably drowned," she said with a laugh — but a non-bylined article in the June 24, 1966 edition of the *East Oregonian* reveals that a 14-year-old Collins, then Fossatti, swam the second leg for the 200-meter freestyle team that won its race with a time of 2:22.7. That article's lone description of the event: "The weather wasn't exactly agreeable but in spite of that the meet went through in excellent fashion." From that humble beginning, it didn't take long for the Pendleton Open to gain in popularity. A clipping from 1969 showed it had already grown to include six teams. See SWIMMING/2B

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Buckaroo Hall of Fame welcomes latest class

Pendleton football enshrines eight at Friday night ceremony

By ERIC SINGER
East Oregonian

During Toby Moore's three-year tenure on the varsity roster, he was one of the lone bright spots on the football field for Pendleton Buckaroo fans to watch. It was a transitional period for the Buckaroos, as the team battled through three head coaches in three years. After lettering as a sophomore, Moore was expected to be the starting quarterback in 1987 until a broken leg in the second game brought an end to his junior season. But as a senior Moore came back and was electric on the field as both a quarterback and running back, passing for over 800 yards while rushing for 400 more yards on a team that finished with a second-straight 2-7 record. "Unfortunately were very



Staff photo by Eric Singer

Kelly Dietz was one of eight new inductees into the Buckaroo Football Hall of Fame at the Linebacker Club's induction ceremony and banquet on Friday at the Pendleton Convention Center.

small," Moore recalled. "I mean at quarterback I was one of the bigger guys on the team compared to my linemen so there was just not much we could do, especially back then when it was just AAA football and that was the biggest class, going against the big teams." But Moore's contributions from that senior season as well as his leadership qualities and work ethic brought him to the Pendleton

Convention Center on Friday night as he joined Mike Holeman, Jay Brunner, Jim Christensen, Kelly Dietz, the Temple Family, Ron Schuening and the 1965-1966 Buckaroos team as the latest inductees in the Buckaroo Football Hall of Fame. "It's a great honor," Moore said. "I've figured out now I've lived in 14 different cities being in the military and I couldn't be more happy

to have grown up in a town like Pendleton. It's great seeing some of the older coaches that I had ... I'm very pleased and very happy to not only talk about old-school things but just to see these people again." Since graduating from Pendleton in 1989, Moore has carved out a successful career in the military. He enlisted in the United States Navy in 1990 and ended up earning an appointment to the Naval Academy and graduated in 1996 with a degree in Marine Engineering before jumping over to the Marine Corps as an enlisted officer in Marine Aviation. Since that time, Moore has enjoyed a successful military career that saw him serve several tours in the Middle East as well as serve as the Commanding Officer of the Tomcats Attack Squadron. Moore is currently stationed in Newport, Rhode Island where he is attending the Naval War College, the latest step in the career ladder he never envisioned. See HALL OF FAME/2B

MLB

Mariners snap skid

Seattle beats Royals on wild pitch

By ANDREW HAMMOND
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Hisashi Iwakuma pitched into the seventh inning, Seattle scored the go-ahead runs on Yordano Ventura's wild pitch and the Mariners held on to beat the Kansas City Royals 3-2 on Friday night.

I w a k u m a (9-6) allowed one run, five hits and three walks over 6 2/3 innings, striking out six. He kept the Royals off balance with his usual herky-jerky delivery, the only run he allowed coming on Cheslor Cuthbert's base hit in the fourth inning. Steve Cishek, who blew the save in the series opener, allowed Salvador Perez's homer in the ninth inning before finishing off the inning. It was his 21st save of the season.

Ventura (6-6) was nearly as stingy, giving up only a sacrifice fly to Ketel Marte in the fifth, before things unraveled for him after Seth Smith's single and Robinson Cano's double in the sixth inning. Nelson Cruz stepped to the plate and nearly gave Seattle a three-run homer, sending a pitch

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US Track & Field Trials

Rain, tears and teens

High-schoolers turn heads on soggy day at Hayward Field

By EDDIE PELLIS
Associated Press

EUGENE — The defending Olympic pole vault champion warmed up, then cooled down, then ran through the whole process again, as the driving rain pelted the field Friday at U.S. Olympic Trials. "The more time you have to think, the more you're like, 'Wow. This is how bad things happen,'" Jenn Suhr said. Suhr escaped the badness. Several other big-name athletes weren't as lucky on a rain-drenched afternoon at Hayward Field. On a day that saw LaShawn Merritt lower his world-best mark at 200 meters to 19.74 seconds — in a semifinal heat, no less — and two high-school kids, Michael Norman and Noah Lyles, earn spots in the final, there was just as much buzz about those whose chances got washed away in the rain. First among them was hurdler Dawn Harper-Nelson, whose run at a third Olympic medal came to

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Sports shorts

Harvick takes pole in Kentucky

SPARTA, Ky. (AP) — Storms washed out qualifying at Kentucky Speedway on Friday, putting Kevin Harvick on the pole for Saturday night's Sprint Cup Series race based on owner points. Severe weather moved over the track near midday and shortened practice to around 30 minutes. The hope was for weather to hold off for track drying and allow practice session to be concluded by late afternoon. In the meantime, Harvick will lead the field to green in the No. 4 Chevy alongside Brad Keselowski in the No. 2. The rest of the top 10: Kurt Busch (Toyota); Joey Logano (Ford); Joe Gibbs Racing teammates Carl Edwards and Kyle Busch in Toyotas; Martin Truex Jr. (Toyota); rookie Chase Elliott (Chevy); Jimmie Johnson (Chevy) and Denny Hamlin (Toyota).



Harvick

"If the system doesn't change we will continue to turn on the TVs and see the same thing. We have to put pressure on the people in charge in order to get this thing we call JUSTICE right. A march doesn't work. We tried that."

— Carmelo Anthony
New York Knicks star posted the above statement on his public Instagram account on Friday in wake of the tragic shooting in Dallas that left five law enforcement officers dead on Thursday.

Pendleton finishes 10th in Oregonian Cup standings

PENDLETON — The Pendleton School District earned a top-10 finish in the 2015-2016 Oregonian Cup standings, placing 10th among 5A schools with 2,145 points. The Oregonian Cup is handed out by the OSAA as it recognizes overall school excellence in academics, activities, athletics, and sportsmanship. Points for the Cup are earned based on schools participation and results in OSAA state championships and for Top 10 finishes in the Academic All-State program. Teams and individuals can earn points, plus a sportsmanship component is also included. Summit earned the first place prize for the fourth time in five years in 5A with 4,875 points, while Hermiston finished 14th with 1,970 points.



THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1966 — Jack Nicklaus wins the British Open at Muirfield to join Gene Sarazen, Ben Hogan and Gary Player as the only men to win the four majors. 2009 — Michael Phelps breaks the world record in the 100-meter butterfly at the U.S. national championships in Indianapolis. Phelps swims the two-lap final in 50.22 seconds, lowering Ian Crocker's mark of 50.40 set at the 2005 championships. 2011 — Derek Jeter homers for his 3,000th hit, the first New York Yankees player to reach the mark.