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PENDLETON

Pendleton rallies to capture state championship

Softball All-stars earn spot in West Regionals

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REDMOND — The Pendleton all-stars rallied for six runs in the fifth inning and held on to beat Southeast Portland 8-4 for the Little League Softball state championship on Wednesday.

Pendleton entered the game

with the upper hand after beating Portland 9-2 in the semifinals, and had to lose twice in order to be eliminated.

Portland came out playing like a team with its back against the wall, and went up early while Pendleton was retired in order in its first two at-bats.

A Pendleton error gave Portland a runner in the second inning, and after pitcher Mackenzie Burke got a fly out and a strikeout, a single made it 1-0.

Portland tacked on three more runs in the second to make it 4-0, but Burke would shut them out

the rest of the way. She stranded two runners in each of the final three innings and finished with three strikeouts and one walk.

Pendleton started its comeback in the top of the fourth when Josie Wilson (1 for 2) walked and scored on Pendleton's first hit in the game, a triple by Delaney Duchek (2 for 4).

Portland minimized the damage, and tagged Duchek out at home when she tried to score on a single by Daisy Jenness (2 for 3). A ground-out and strikeout

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The Pendleton 11/12-year-old softball all-stars pose with their state-championship medals, trophy and banner after beating Southeast Portland 8-4 in the final of the Oregon Little League State Tournament on Wednesday in Redmond.

Contributed photo courtesy of Justin Samp

PILOT ROCK

Roe named 2A/1A's top player

In this May 25, 2016 file photo, Pilot Rock's Bekah Roe gets ready to connect with the ball for a base hit during the Rockets game against Gaston.

Staff photo by Kathy Aney



Pilot Rock junior one of seven Rockets on all-state roster

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PILOT ROCK — The Pilot Rock Rockets showed the state of Oregon that they were the best team in Class 2A/1A again this season by bringing home their second-straight state championship

to cap a dominant season.

And throughout that dominant showing, Pilot Rock junior infielder Bekah Roe showed why she was the best all-around player on the best team by leading the Rockets in most offensive statistical categories. And with a district

player of the year award already in her back pocket, she was awarded yet again on Wednesday by being named the Class 2A/1A Player of the Year.

Roe turned in an incredible .593 batting average and a 1.713 OPS on the year, while also tallying seven

doubles, seven triples, seven home runs, 51 RBI, 43 runs scored and 24 stolen bases. She also turned in slick defense from her spot at both third base and second base in 2016 with a .952 fielding percentage.

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Youth Golf

Lerten repeats at Hermiston Junior

Adams also wins his age group at Echo Hills

East Oregonian

ECHO — Colby Lerten repeated in his age group at the City of Hermiston Junior Tournament on Wednesday at Echo Hills Golf Course.

Lerten shot a score of 46 over nine holes to win the 6-9-year-old division for the second year in a row. His prize was a new golf club set.

Jack Spurr and Jaiden Bahrs tied for third with 64.

After finishing runner-up by a single stroke last year, Cody Adams took first in the 10-14 age group with a score of 49.

He beat out last year's champ, Payton Gadsden, by five strokes and Wyatt Brown was third with a 55.



Lerten

Timbers extend unbeaten streak with tie

Associated Press

PORTLAND — Ignacio Piatti scored late in the first half to lift the Montreal Impact into a 1-1 tie with the Portland Timbers on Wednesday night.

Portland (6-6-8) opened the scoring in the 14th minute. Jack McInerney headed in a corner kick by Jack Jewsbury. Montreal goalkeeper Evan Bush missed his attempt at punching the ball clear, and McInerney scored his fifth goal of the season.

The Timbers appeared to make it 2-0 in the 34th minute, when Fanendo Adi headed in a cross from Ben Zemanski, but the goal was disallowed, as Adi was called for a foul just before the header.

Piatti's 11th goal of the season lifted Montreal (6-4-8) into the tie.

The tie extends unbeaten streaks for both teams. Portland is undefeated in their last eight games (3-0-5), while Montreal's streak has reached six games (2-0-4).

Both teams face quick turn-arounds with home games on Sunday. Montreal hosts New York City FC, while Portland welcomes rival Seattle.

SOUNDERS 5, FC DALLAS 0 — At Seattle, Clint Dempsey, Andreas Ivanschitz and Jordan Morris scored during a 15-minute span of



the first half and the Seattle Sounders routed MLS-leading FC Dallas 5-0 on Wednesday night to snap a four-game winless streak.

Joevin Jones and Cristian Roldan added second-half goals for the Sounders, who started the night with the lowest goal total in the league (14).

Dempsey scored in the 6th minute when he drilled a penalty kick past goalkeeper Chris Seitz for his third goal of the year. The PK was set up when defender Maynor Figueroa was called for an intentional hand ball just outside of the 6-yard box and shown the red card.



Portland Timbers' Fanendo Adi (9) goes up for a header over Montreal Impact's Kyle Bekker (18) during an MLS soccer match Wednesday, July 13, 2016, in Portland, Ore.

Pete Christopher/The Oregonian via AP

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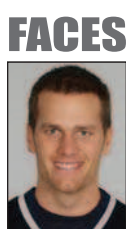
Brady's 'Deflategate' appeal rejected by federal court

NEW YORK (AP) — A federal appeals court has rejected Tom Brady's attempt to get a new hearing on his "Deflategate" suspension.

Brady was asking for the full 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to hear the case. In April, a three-judge panel said that NFL commissioner Roger Goodell was within his powers when he suspended the star quarterback four games for his role in a scheme to doctor the footballs used in a Jan. 18, 2015, playoff game.

The decision Wednesday affirms the wide-ranging powers given to the commissioner by the NFL's collective bargaining agreement and was a setback for organized labor groups arguing for due process in employee discipline.

Brady's remaining hope is to appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.



Brady

"(Home-field advantage) always switched back and forth, back in the day. It is what it is right now, and I'm not saying it couldn't change at all ... I would definitely be open to (USA vs. World). I think a lot of players would."

— Ben Zobrist

Chicago Cubs 2B in an interview with Sporting News on possible tweaks to the MLB All-Star Game format, such as following the Futures Game format of a USA team versus a World team.

MLB All-Star Game draws record low TV rating

NEW YORK (AP) — The baseball All-Star Game has drawn a record-low television rating for the second straight year.

The American League's 4-2 victory over the NL in San Diego on Tuesday night got a 5.4 rating on Fox. The previous low was 6.6 last year for the game in Cincinnati.

Fox said Wednesday that the game drew a 10 share and 8.7 million viewers.

Ratings represent the percentage of homes with televisions tuned to a program, the share is the percentage of households watching among TVs in use at the time.

Baseball remains the most-watched all-star game of the four major North American pro sports. Fox said Tuesday night's game was its highest-rated telecast of the summer season.



THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1968 — Hank Aaron hits his 500th home run off Mike McCormick as the Atlanta Braves beat the San Francisco Giants 4-2.

2005 — In Oklahoma City, the United States is beaten in an international softball game for the first time since 2002, losing 2-1 to Canada in the inaugural World Cup of Softball.

2009 — The American League continues its dominance over the National League with a 4-3 win in the All-Star game. The AL is 12-0-1 since 1996 — the longest streak in history.

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