Carranza sizzles down stretch



Staff photo by Eric Singer
Bill Spring hits out of the sand at the 18th hole Thursday during the Senior Oregon Open at Wildhorse Resort Golf Course in Mission.

Seattle pro shoots 64 to win Senior Oregon Open Invitational

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After back-to-back one-under 71 scores through the front two rounds left Joe Carranza in third place, he hit the Wildhorse golf course on Thursday ready to make his move.

Carranza, a PGA pro a Aldarra Golf Club near Seattle, nailed seven birdies and one eagle to shoot an event-best 8-under 64 to clinch the Wildhorse Senior Oregon Open Invitational championship. He held off 2014 Open winner Todd Erwin, who started the day tied for the lead and made a late charge on the back nine to finish within two strokes at 8-under.

The final round turned into a three-horse race through the front nine holes, with Erwin holding a one-stroke lead over Carranza at 6-under and Jeff Coston just two back at 4-under. But on the back nine, things turned quickly into Carranza's favor.

He sank back-to-back birdies on No. 10 and No. 11 and Erwin

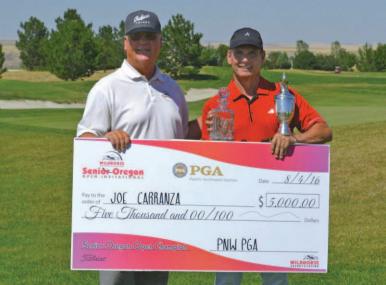
followed with a bogey and par which saw Carranza vault into a two stroke lead at 7-under. Carranza pushed his lead to three strokes with a birdie on No. 13, which was enough cushion to stay ahead of Erwin the rest of the way.

Second round co-leader Brad Karns, an amateur from Vancouver, Washington, shot his worst round of the day with a 4-over 76 to fall back into a tie for 16th.

Low amateur honors of the Open went to Pat O'Donnell of Molalla, as he finished in fourth overall. Four amateurs finished in the top-15 of the leaderboard.

Senior Oregon Open Invitational

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6,640 yards, Par 72		
a-amateur		
Final Round		
Joe Carranza	71-71-64	-10
Todd Erwin	71-69-68	-8
Jeff Coston	71-73-67	-5
a-Pat O'Donnell	75-69-68	-4
a-Bob Christiensen	69-76-68	-3
Rob Gibbons	78-65-70	-3
Mark Keating	71-74-69	-2
Scott Krieger	75-70-69	-2
Mark Gardner	76-68-70	-2
a-Mike Senatra	74-69-71	-2



Joe Carranza of Seattle, Washington, right, holds his check and prizes for winning the Senior Oregon Open Invitational on Thursday at Wildhorse Resort and Casino. Carranza shot a 64 in the final round to finish at 10-under par for the tournament. Wildhorse PGA professional Mike Hegarty is presenting the check.



Boston Red Sox designated hitter David Ortiz runs to first after hitting a line-drive single during the first inning of a baseball game against the Seattle Mariners, Thursday, Aug. 4, 2016, in Seattle.

Holt's single in 11th lifts Red Sox

Mariners leave tying run on 3rd

> By JIM HOEHN Associated Press

SEATTLE — Brock Holt's RBI single in the 11th inning lifted the Boston Red Sox to a 3-2 victory over the Seattle Mariners on Thursday

Travis Shaw, who had a solo homer in the second, opened the 11th against Cody Martin (1-2) with an



opposite-field single to left against the shift. Sandy Leon sacrificed Shaw to second and Holt then bounced an single up the middle off the glove of diving shortstop Sean O'Malley.

Craig Kimbrel (2-3) retired all four batters he faced — including striking out the side in the 10th — for

the victory. Brad Ziegler pitched the 11th for his third save, stranding the tying run

Seattle tied it with two runs in the fifth inning. O'Malley hit the first pitch into the left-field seats for his first homer of the season and second of his career. Guillermo Heredia followed with a bunt single and advanced to third on consecutive ground outs. After Nelson Cruz was walked intentionally, Dae-Ho Lee blooped an RBI single into shallow right-center.

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Prep Basketball

Three's a crew

OSAA approves additional ref for basketball playoffs

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WILSONVILLE — There will be an extra set of eyes scrutinizing the action during the large school basketball playoffs in 2016-17.

The OSAA Executive Board announced Thursday it has approved the



person officiating crews for the 6A, 5A and 4A postseason for all rounds of

play through the championship Schools and leagues in all

classifications will continue to have the option of using three or two-person crews during the regular season, provided the local officials associations are able to cover the games.

This option was allowed, for the first time, during the 2015-16 season with nine of 38 leagues choosing to use threeperson crews.

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Olympics

IOC approves Russians for Rio

Many track and field athletes remain excluded

> By STEPHEN WILSON Associated Press

RIO DE JANEIRO — The IOC approved the entry of 271 Russian athletes for the Rio de Janeiro Olympics on Thursday, meaning 70 percent of the country's original team will compete after a doping scandal that has dominated the buildup to the games.

Also Thursday, the IOC rule barring Russian athletes with prior doping sanctions from competing in the games was rejected as "unenforceable" by a sports arbitration panel, a decision which could open the door to further appeals and more Russians being entered.

The International Olympic Committee announced the go-ahead for 271 Russian athletes about 24 hours before the opening ceremony of the games. Overall, more than 100 Russians have been excluded,

including 67 in track and field.

The IOC recently rejected calls from anti-doping organizations to ban Russia's entire team following a report by a World Anti-Doping Agency investigator

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Westbrook sticks with Thunder, agrees to three-year deal

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A month after Kevin Durant broke Oklahoma City's heart, Russell Westbrook has reaffirmed his desire to stay with the Thunder.



The team confirmed Thursday that Westbrook had signed a contract extension. A person with direct knowledge of the terms said the two sides had agreed on a new three-year deal worth \$85.7 million. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the team did not release terms.

The 27-year-old Westbrook is one of the top stars in the NBA and piled up 18 triple-doubles last season, tying Magic Johnson for the most in the last 30 years. The five-time All-Star averaged 23.5 points, 7.8 rebounds and 10.4 assists last season as the Thunder reached the Western Conference finals, in which they lost in seven.

"I've never run this much in my life. Is this what Olympians feel like?"

 Gabriela Alves
 Rio de Janiero resident playing
 Pokemon Go for the first time. The popular location-based augmented reality game became available in the Olympics host city for the first time this week.

Seahawks' Browner will not face charges in alleged assault

SEATTLE (AP) — Seattle Seahawks cornerback Brandon Browner will not be charged after an allegation that he punched his girlfriend's father at a Southern California

The Los Angeles County district attorney's office told the Seattle Times on Wednesday that there would

be no charges filed, but did not elaborate on the investigation. Police in Pomona said that on July 5 officers

were sent to a home where Browner's girlfriend, the mother of his two children, was living. Browner lives in the same neighborhood. The woman's father said that after the couple

had argued he and Browner got into a dispute and Browner punched him, forcing him to fall down and hurt his thumb.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS 1936 — At the Berlin

Olympics, Jesse Owens wins his third of four gold medals, winning the 200-meter race in an Olympic-record 20.7

1999 — Mark McGwire becomes the 16th member of the 500-home run club.

2007 — Tom Glavine earns his 300th victory in an 8-3 victory over the Chicago

2014 — The San Antonio Spurs hires WNBA star Becky Hammon as an assistant coach, making her the first woman to join an NBA coaching staff.

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