

College Basketball

Tinkles and Thompsons dot Oregon State basketball

Two father-son duos headline Beavers roster for 2016

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CORVALLIS — Oregon State’s Tres Tinkle is still learning how to balance basketball and family — no easy task when his dad is his coach. The sophomore forward has his own apartment now, taking those first steps toward independence. He hasn’t quite mastered dinner, however. “I still go home most nights for a home cooked meal. It’s better than what I’m probably going to making for myself,” he said, laughing. “But it’s good being close to the gym and the campus. Late nights, I’ll walk over here and shoot.” The Beavers, embarking on their third season under coach — and proud dad — Wayne Tinkle, open at home on Friday night against Prairie View A&M. Oregon State hopes to build on last season when the team went 19-13 overall and got into the NCAA Tournament for the first time in 26 years. But it will be a challenge. The Beavers have just one senior on



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In this Feb. 20, 2016, file photo, Oregon State’s Tres Tinkle, right, jumps toward the basket during a game in Eugene.

their roster. Star guard Gary Payton II, who led the team with an average of 16 points a game, is playing in the NBA development league and fellow starter Malcom Duvivier has left the team for personal reasons. Oregon State has a promising group of young sophomores,

including the younger Tinkle, Drew Eubanks and Stephen Thompson Jr. Tinkle, the team’s co-captain with Eubanks, is the Beavers’ top returner in average points per game (13.1), rebounds (5.4) and assists (1.1). As a starter, he averaged 15.1 points in 11 games.

But he missed the end of last season because of a foot injury which required offseason surgery. He was cleared for full practice three weeks ago and is expected to start Friday. “It was tough for sure, missing five of the biggest games of the year is not fun, and especially our past history of not making it for so long,” Tres Tinkle said. “It stings because you want to be out there, because you worked with them all year and those are your best friends and your brothers competing. You just wish you could be out there helping them.” He also said watching from the bench was a valuable learning experience. “I think I just learned the game through a coach’s eye, I was able to examine the open spots on the court and things like that,” he said. “It helped to put that into my game, where I saw other people doing things. I was able to learn and understand what the coaches were looking at.” Tinkle and his dad aren’t the only father-son duo on the team. Thompson, who averaged 10.6 points per game last season, is the son of assistant coach Stephen Thompson. And a younger Thompson,

Ethan, signed a letter of intent to play for the Beavers on Wednesday. The 6-foot-4 shooting guard is a four-star recruit out of Bishop Montgomery High School in Torrance, California. Coach Thompson posted a photo on Twitter with the words: “I would like to congratulate my son Ethan Thompson on officially becoming a Beaver. This is one of the proudest moments of my life.” At Pac-12 media day, Tres Tinkle said that every day it gets easier to differentiate between his dad and coach Tinkle. “It was tough for me just to know who I’m talking to. Once that got figured out, it made things way easier and we’ve just been growing from there. Obviously, we have days where some are better than others,” the younger Tinkle said. “But if we look back and reflect on it, it’s unique, and it’s awesome to have him by my side the whole way.” Wayne Tinkle said he agrees the experience is precious. “By no means is this just a father-son experience. We’ve got our whole program, our university and everybody behind us,” he said. “But the side bar of it is we’re able to enjoy some pretty special moments together.”

SCOREBOARD

Local Slate		Football	
PREP FOOTBALL		NFL	
Friday #10 Santiam at #2 Stanfield (2A quarter-finals), 6 p.m.		Today's Game Cleveland at Baltimore, 5:25 p.m.	
Saturday #5 Grant Union at #4 Heppner (2A quarter-finals), 1 p.m.		Sunday, Nov. 13 Atlanta at Philadelphia, 10 a.m. Denver at New Orleans, 10 a.m. Houston at Jacksonville, 10 a.m. Los Angeles at N.Y. Jets, 10 a.m. Kansas City at Carolina, 1:25 p.m. Chicago at Tampa Bay, 10 a.m. Minnesota at Washington, 10 a.m. Green Bay at Tennessee, 10 a.m. Miami at San Diego, 1:05 p.m. San Francisco at Arizona, 1:25 p.m. Dallas at Pittsburgh, 1:25 p.m. Seattle at New England, 5:30 p.m. Open: Detroit, Buffalo, Indianapolis, Oakland	
COLLEGE FOOTBALL		NCAA	
Saturday Eastern Oregon at Carroll, 11 a.m.		Top 25 Tuesday No. 14 Western Michigan 37 Kent State 21	
COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL		Today No. 15 North Carolina at Duke, 4:30 p.m. (ESPN) No. 13 Utah at Arizona State, 6:30 p.m. (FS1)	
Friday College of Idaho at Eastern Oregon (CCC semifinals), 7 p.m.		Friday No. 20 Florida State vs. Boston College, 4:30 p.m. (ESPN2)	
Saturday CCC Finals, TBD (at La Grande), 3 p.m.		Saturday No. 1 Alabama vs. Mississippi State, 9 a.m. (ESPN) No. 2 Michigan at Iowa, 5 p.m. (ABC) No. 3 Clemson vs. Pittsburgh, 12:30 p.m. (ABC) No. 4 Washington vs. Southern Cal, 4:30 p.m.	
COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL			
Saturday Simpson (Calif.) at Eastern Oregon, 5:30 p.m.			
Sunday Simpson (Calif.) at Eastern Oregon, 1 p.m.			
COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL			
Friday Eastern Oregon at Johnson & Wales (Fla.), 2 p.m.			
Saturday Eastern Oregon at Warner (Fla.), 1 p.m.			
COLLEGE WRESTLING			
Thursday Eastern Oregon at Great Falls, TBA			
Friday Eastern Oregon at Montana State-North-ern, TBA			

Hockey	
NHL	
EASTERN CONFERENCE	
Atlantic Division	
GP	W L OT Pts GF GA
Montreal	13 11 1 1 23 42 30
Ottawa	13 8 5 0 16 32 32
Tampa Bay	13 7 5 1 15 41 38
Detroit	14 7 6 1 15 38 37
Boston	13 7 6 0 14 32 35
Florida	13 6 6 1 13 35 33
Toronto	13 5 5 3 13 37 48
Buffalo	13 5 5 3 13 26 31
Metropolitan Division	
GP	W L OT Pts GF GA
Pittsburgh	13 9 2 2 20 41 34
N.Y. Rangers	14 10 4 0 20 58 34
Washington	12 8 3 1 17 33 27
New Jersey	12 6 3 3 15 29 27
Philadelphia	14 6 6 2 14 49 51
Columbus	11 6 3 2 14 35 23
N.Y. Islanders	13 5 6 2 12 37 40
Caroline	12 3 5 4 10 31 41
WESTERN CONFERENCE	
Central Division	
GP	W L OT Pts GF GA
Chicago	14 10 3 1 21 49 34
St. Louis	14 7 4 3 17 32 36
Minnesota	11 6 4 1 13 33 22
Winnipeg	14 6 7 1 13 32 43
Nashville	12 4 5 3 11 31 36
Dallas	13 4 6 3 11 33 46
Colorado	12 5 7 0 10 24 37
Pacific Division	
L.A. Clippers	111, Portland 80
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Chicago at Miami, 5 p.m. (TNT)	
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