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PENDLETON

Bucks win only home dual



Pendleton's Caleb Tremper wrestles Hood River's Justin Lane in the 106-pound bout of Wednesday's dual in Pendleton. Lane won the bout, but Pendleton won the match 54-25.

Staff photo by Eric Singer

Prep Roundup

Bulldogs rebound, win CRC opener

Hermiston beats The Dalles in boys basketball

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THE DALLES — After coming out flat in its final league tune-up, the Hermiston boys basketball team got back on track Wednesday with a 75-52 rout of The Dalles to open Columbia River Conference play.

"I just think it was from our defense, we got out and pressured a little full-court, half-court and that turned into a lot of easy buckets on offense," said Hermiston coach Casey Arstein. "We did a much better job taking care of the ball and executing and pushing the ball when needed. We got zoned a lot, but still got some good looks at the rim."

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ATHENA

TigerScots pay tribute

Weston-McEwen Hall of Fame to honor 2017 class at Friday's basketball games

By MATT ENTRUP
East Oregonian

Gladiators, Scotties, Tigers and Tiger-Scots.

High school students in Athena and Weston have called themselves several things throughout the years, and on Friday the Weston-McEwen Hall of Fame will induct four individuals and one team that represent three different phases of the school's history between the girls' and boys' basketball games against Culver.

Bill "W.H." Hansell (Athena, Class of 1938), Merle Mathwich (McEwen, 1950), and Clell Hasenbank (Weston-McEwen, 2006) will be inducted as well as three-time state-champion volleyball coach and athletic director Shawn White (1996-present) and the 2005 state championship girls basketball team. Hansell is being inducted posthumously.

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Pendleton earns key district victory over Hood River

By ERIC SINGER
East Oregonian

The Pendleton Buckaroos have competed in three varsity duals inside Class 5A's Special District 4 this season, and have now won all three.

Pendleton overcame some struggles at the lighter weight classes on Wednesday night to take down the Hood River Valley Eagles 54-25 on Wednesday night. It was the lone home wrestling dual of the season, with special recognition for the Buckaroo senior wrestlers beforehand in their final home match.

"We did some really good things, but I think we need to get a little better at those lighter weights at competing when the chips are down," Pendleton coach Fred Phillips said after the match. "But all-in-all, we won and for the most part did a pretty good job but we obviously have things

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Pendleton's Greg Lee goes for the pin against Hood River's Alexander Pedroza in the 220-pound bout of Wednesday's dual in Pendleton. Pendleton won 54-25.

Staff photo by Eric Singer

Lakers center Tarik Black scrambles on the floor for a loose ball as Trail Blazers forward Meyers Leonard and guard Allen Crabbe defend Wednesday in Portland.

AP Photo/Steve Dykes



NBA

Lillard, McCollum lead Blazers over Lakers

By ANNE M. PETERSON
Associated Press

PORTLAND — Damian Lillard scored 24 points and the Trail Blazers beat the Los Angeles Lakers 105-98 on Wednesday night, capping Portland's celebration of the 40th anniversary of the team's 1977 NBA championship.

CJ McCollum added 24 points for the Blazers, who have won 11 straight regular-season



games against the Lakers.

Los Angeles was led by Lou Williams with 31 points, including six 3-pointers. The Lakers were coming off a 122-73 loss at Dallas on Sunday, the most lopsided loss

in franchise history.

The Lakers trailed by as many as 14 points in the third quarter, but Williams made three consecutive 3-pointers to get Los Angeles within three at 89-86 with just over nine minutes to go.

After the Lakers got within a point, Allen Crabbe's pull-up jumper gave the Blazers a 91-88 lead with 6:38 left. Nick

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Sports shorts

Adu to join Timbers for practice

PORTLAND (AP) — Freddy Adu will train with the Portland Timbers during the preseason, the team said Wednesday.

Adu, 27, is expected to join the Timbers this week in training camp in Tucson, Arizona, the team said.

When he was 14, Adu was the No. 1 pick in the 2004 Major League Soccer SuperDraft, going to D.C. United. He is the youngest player to score in league history.

He left MLS for the first time in 2007 and bounced around Europe before a two-year stint with the Philadelphia Union from 2011-13. Overall, he played for 13 teams in 13 years.

Adu most recently played for the NASL's Tampa Bay Rowdies but parted ways with the team last year.



Adu

"That's just unfortunate. I think they kind of are a little too hard on our team for no reason ... I don't know if that should be the retribution. I don't know what the course should be. But I think that's harsh."

— Richard Sherman

The Seattle Seahawks defensive back talked with ESPN on Wednesday about the possibility of the Seahawks losing a second-round draft pick for failing to disclose Sherman's knee injury during the season.

Boston the latest NBA team to secure a jersey sponsor

BOSTON (AP) — The Boston Celtics will take to the parquet court next season wearing a General Electric Co. logo on their uniforms.

The team said Wednesday it has a three-year deal that makes the company its exclusive data analytics partner. The agreement calls for a GE patch in green and white, not the traditional GE blue on jerseys above the player's left breast.

The Celtics are the third NBA team to announce a deal to wear a sponsor's patch on its jersey since the league gave the go-ahead. The Philadelphia 76ers and Sacramento Kings also have deals that were worth a reported \$5 million apiece.

Financial terms of the Celtics deal were not announced.

GE moved its headquarters from Connecticut to Boston last summer.



THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1913 — Jim Thorpe gives up his track medals from the 1912 Olympic games as a result of his having been a professional. He had been paid \$25 for playing in a semipro baseball game.

2002 — Jennifer Capriati produces the greatest comeback in a Grand Slam final to overcome Martina Hingis and defend her Australian Open title. Capriati saved four match points before clinching a 4-6, 7-6 (7), 6-2 victory over Hingis.

2007 — Mark Recchi scores two goals, including the 500th of his career, in Pittsburgh's 4-3 shootout win over Dallas.

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