

College Basketball

Yotes knock off No. 16 Eastern Oregon

East Oregonian

CALDWELL, Idaho — College of Idaho shot 60 percent from the field in the second half to take down No. 16 Eastern Oregon 91-79 in front of an announced crowd of 2,100 on Thursday in Cascade Collegiate Conference action.

The No. 25 Coyotes (21-8, 14-5 CCC) were up 34-33 at halftime, and EOU led only briefly in the second half as the Yotes went on a 15-2 run that lasted five minutes and made it 75-58 when Roosevelt Adams hit a jumper with 6:23 to play.

Eastern (21-7, 14-5) never pulled closer than 11 the rest

of the way. Six Yotes scored in double figures to improve to 12-1 at home this season led by Aitor Zubizarreta with 19 points. He also had six assists. Adams finished with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Eastern had five players in double digits paced by Max McCullough's 15 on 6-of-7 shooting included 3-of-4 from distance. Bryan McGriff added 14 points and Kentrell Washington finished with 12 points, seven rebounds, four steals and three assists.

Eastern plays its final



Men regular season game on Sunday. The Mountaineers will take on Walla Walla at Quinn Coliseum in La Grande at 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL EASTERN OREGON 74, COLLEGE OF IDAHO 54 — At Caldwell, Idaho, junior guard Payton Parrish had the hot hand going 6-of-10 from beyond the arc to finish with 24 points as the Mountaineers breezed past the Yotes on Thursday in their penultimate Cascade Collegiate Conference game.

PREPS: Echo, Helix girls come up short in first round

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JOSEPH 57, HELIX 42 — At Baker City, the Grizzlies' season came to an end on Thursday evening with a loss to the Joseph Eagles in the first round of the district tournament.

Information and statistics from the game were not available at press time. It was the final game for Helix's (6-15) seven seniors, including leading scorer Justin Williams, plus Jonathan Shaw, Grant Christman, and Tylor Fehrenbacher, Jake Sprenger and Allan Holden.

Joseph plays No. 2 seed

Nixyaawii today in the semifinals at 2:15 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL COVE 36, ECHO 34

At Baker City, a mid-range jumper with a little over a minute left to play gave Cove the winning edge on Thursday in the first round of the Old Oregon League district tournament at Baker High School.

"We had some really good looks at the end, but couldn't capitalize," said Echo coach Michael Swanson.

Taylor Swaggart led the Cougars (14-10) with 14

points and went 4-for-5 from three-point range while also leading the team with six steals. Marti Huff added 12 points, and Devyn Tarvin contributed four steals.

Despite the tough loss, Swanson said the Cougars (14-10) ended their season with heads held high.

"These girls have given me their heart and soul since the first game all the way through," Swanson said. "They always give it everything they've got."

Echo will lose four seniors to graduation — Tarvin, Hannah McCarty, Laci Wiggins and Bethanie

Junior guard Maya Ah You dropped 10 points along with six boards, while junior forward Stormee Van Belle chipped in 15 points and brought down eight rebounds for EOU (24-4, 17-2 CCC).

Petra Lumpert paced College of Idaho (11-14, 11-8) with 18 points and seven boards.

It was a dominating first period for EOU, who led the Yotes 21-4 after one stanza. The Mounties held C of I to 2-of-14 from the floor while knocking down four treys.

The first two minutes of the second stanza saw Parrish knock down two triples to go up 27-4.

EOU closes the regular season at home on Sunday when it hosts Walla Walla at 1 p.m.

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Cove advanced to the district semifinals where it will play No. 1 seed Nixyaawii tonight at 6:30 p.m.

JOSEPH 56, HELIX 31 — At Baker City, the Grizzlies' season came to a close on Thursday with their loss to Joseph in the first round at districts. Details were not available at press time.

Helix (9-13) will lose two players to graduation, Macey Tullis and Bethany Newton.

Joseph plays No. 2 seed Powder Valley in the semifinals today at 1 p.m.

DUCKS: Team's run in AP Top 25 rankings longest in school history

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18-8 lead, paced by Tyler Dorsey's 10 points. It was the third straight game that Oregon had opened up a 10-point lead on an opponent in the first half.

Chris Boucher's 3-pointer pushed Oregon's lead to 26-12. Dylan Ennis gave Oregon its biggest lead of the first half with a layup that made it 39-18 but Utah ended the half on a 7-2 run to close the gap to 41-25.

Tyler Rawson hit Utah's first 3-pointer of the game in the second half to narrow the deficit to 43-30. But Oregon again extended the lead on Brooks' layup that made it 54-32.

Brooks' dunk gave the Ducks a 71-49 lead with just over 7 minutes left. He followed it up with a

3-pointer. The Ducks' home streak is the longest active winning streak in the nation. Thursday's game was Oregon's sixth sellout of the season.

Oregon rebounded from a loss at UCLA with an 81-70 victory over USC last weekend. After the Utes, the Ducks host Colorado at home before wrapping up the season at the league's Northern California schools.

BIG PICTURE

Oregon: The Ducks' record is the second-best in school history, behind the 1926-27 team that went 24-2. ... Oregon has been in the AP Top 25 for a school-record 23 straight weeks

UP NEXT

Oregon: The Ducks host Colorado on Saturday. The Buffaloes beat the Ducks 74-65 on Jan. 28 in Boulder.

Athlete of the Week

Twenty questions with Hermiston's Ryan Barnard

East Oregonian

HERMISTON — The Hermiston boys swim team made history on Saturday afternoon, as they captured the school's first-ever district swim championship by edging out Pendleton 93-91.

Ryan Barnard was a big reason for the finish, as the sophomore swimmer won the district title in the 200 yard individual medley, finished second in the 100 freestyle and helped the 200 freestyle relay team to a first place finish and a spot in the state meet. For his efforts, Barnard has been selected as the East Oregonian's Athlete of the Week for the week of Feb. 6-11.

EO: What did it mean to you to help bring the first-ever district swim title back to Hermiston?

RB: It meant a lot, knowing that we have no pool here and still were able to compete and win, it was a great feeling.

When did you start swimming competitively?

When I was seven.

Do you participate in any other sports?

I used to play football, but didn't this year because of an injury.

What is the first sport you participated in?

Basketball or baseball, I don't really remember.

Why is swimming your favorite sport?

There's just something about it, when I get in the water it takes me to a special place.

What is your favorite sport to watch on TV?

Football

If you could attend any sporting event in the world, what would you choose?

The Olympics

Do you have a favorite athlete?

Russell Wilson
Do you know what you'd like to do after high school?

Go to college and become an engineer.

Favorite thing served in HHS cafeteria?

They have really good chicken burgers.

Do you have a go-to meal before swim competitions?

Nothing specific, usually some kind of pasta or burger.

Do you have go-to music that you listen to before competitions?

I like 90s rap, it usually gets me pumped up.

What is your favorite movie?

"Blades of Glory" (2007)

What is your favorite TV show?

"How I Met Your Mother"

What is your favorite restaurant in Hermiston?

Kobe Hibachi Sushi

Do you have a dream job?

I would like to be a car designer.

What is your favorite part about growing up in Eastern Oregon?

I like the really hot summers and the cold winters, the diversity in weather and it's just a really nice place.

Where is your favorite place in Oregon to visit?

Seaside or anywhere on the coast.

What is the first job you had?

I picked blueberries at a farm when I was 13.

If you could live anywhere in the world, where would you choose?

Probably somewhere in Europe or in Washington D.C.

GONZAGA: Dons start second half 5 for 20 from field

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Mark Few said of Williams-Goss. "He doesn't leave anything to chance."

San Francisco coach Kyle Smith liked his team's effort in the first 16 minutes.

"We competed well," Smith said. "We gave ourselves a chance."

"We had a couple quick possessions, a couple of bad shots that led to a quick transition for them," Smith said. "You can't let your guard down at all."

San Francisco shot well to lead for a good portion of the first half, until a late surge gave Gonzaga a 42-35 lead at halftime.

Williams-Goss scored 11 points as Gonzaga put together a 15-2 run that bracketed halftime to build a 52-37 lead early in the second.

Williams-Goss continued to score virtually at will, adding eight more points as Gonzaga built a 62-43 lead.

The Dons made only five of their first 20 shots in



AP Photo/Young Kwak

Gonzaga forward Zach Collins (32) and San Francisco forward Chase Foster (22) go after a rebound during the second half of an NCAA college basketball game in Spokane, Wash., Thursday, Feb. 16, 2017. Gonzaga won 96-61.

the second half.

"We guarded the ball better," Few said. "We guarded the rim. We quit giving up 3s."

Gonzaga, which has trailed only 6 percent of the time in games this season, fell behind 16-11 midway through the first half. The Zags clawed back and tied the game at 22-22 on Zach Collins' basket. Williams-

Goss followed with a 3-pointer to put Gonzaga ahead for good.

BIG PICTURE

San Francisco: The Dons gave Gonzaga one of its toughest league tests, losing 95-80 earlier this season. It was the most points scored this season against the Zags. The Dons are off to their best start since the 1999-2000 season.

Gonzaga: The Zags limit opponents to 37 percent shooting, second in the nation. Gonzaga has won at least 25 games in 13 of the past 14 seasons. Their 20 straight conference wins dating to last year are the longest streak in the nation.

KEY STATS

Gonzaga made 19 of 35 shots in the decisive second half, while holding the Dons to 8-of-34 shooting in the half. Gonzaga won the rebound battle 44-32 and converted 15 San Francisco turnovers into 30 points.

INJURIES

Gonzaga post Killian Tillie missed the game with a broken finger, and guard Bryan Alberts sat out with an ankle injury

UP NEXT

San Francisco plays at Portland on Saturday.

Gonzaga hosts Pacific on Saturday, and then will have two remaining regular season games left against San Diego and BYU as they seek an undefeated season.

BEAVERS: Tinkle remains out indefinitely with broken wrist

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to open the second half and led 36-27 with 14 minutes left after a White lay-in.

The Beavers trailed by 11, their largest deficit of the game, when they went on a 9-0 run to make the score 46-44. A McLaughlin 3-pointer tied the game at

50-all with 3:20 remaining.

Both teams shot near 40 percent, but the Buffaloes had 23 points off of 18 Beavers turnovers.

BIG PICTURE

Colorado: The Buffaloes started Pac-12 play with seven straight losses, but have won six of seven games since

then. White only scored five points in 29 minutes in the Buffaloes' 85-78 win against Oregon State on Jan. 26. He entered Thursday's game as the second-leading scorer in Pac-12 games, scoring 18.9 points per contest.

Oregon State: Leading scorer Tres Tinkle, who last

played Nov. 25, remains out indefinitely with a broken wrist. Stephen Thompson Jr. entered the week leading the Pac-12 in minutes per game at 36.5.

UP NEXT

Colorado plays at No. 7 Oregon on Saturday.

Oregon State hosts Utah on Sunday.

SCOREBOARD

Local Slate

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL	
Today	Irrigon at Umatilla, 6 p.m.
	Nixyaawii vs. Joseph (at Baker High School), 2:15 p.m.
	Powder Valley vs. Echo (at Baker High School), 8:15 p.m.
	Pendleton at The Dalles, 7 p.m.
	Hood River at Hermiston, 7 p.m.
	Arlington at Sherman (at Madras HS), 7:30 p.m.
	Hepppner vs. Weston-McEwen (at Pendleton Convention Center), 7:45 p.m.
Saturday	Stanfield vs. Hepppner/Weston-McEwen winner (at Pendleton Convention Center), 3 p.m.
PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL	
Today	Weston-McEwen vs. Culver (CBC District Tournament, at Pendleton Convention Center), 6 p.m.
	Nixyaawii vs. Cove (at Baker High School), 6:30 p.m.
	Hermiston at Hood River, 7 p.m.
	The Dalles at Pendleton, 7 p.m.
Saturday	Pilot Rock vs. Weston-McEwen/Culver winner (CBC District Tournament, at Pendleton Convention Center), 1 p.m.
	Old Oregon League 3rd/4th place game (at Baker HS), 1 p.m.
	Old Oregon League district championship game (at Baker HS), 6:30 p.m.
PREP WRESTLING	
Today	Hepppner/One at 2A/1A District Tournament (at Hermiston, Armand Larive Middle School), 10 a.m.
Saturday	Riverside, Irrigon, Echo/Stanfield at 3A District Tournament (at Nyssa), 10 a.m.
PREP SWIMMING	
Today	Pendleton, Hermiston at state championships (Mt. Hood C.C., Gesham), 9 a.m.
Saturday	Pendleton, Hermiston at state championships (Mt. Hood C.C., Gesham), 8:15 a.m.
COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL	
Saturday	Blue Mountain at Walla Walla, 4 p.m.

Sunday	Walla Walla U. at Eastern Oregon, 3 p.m.
COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL	
Saturday	Blue Mountain at Walla Walla, 2 p.m.
Sunday	Walla Walla U. at Eastern Oregon, 1 p.m.
COLLEGE WRESTLING	
Saturday	Eastern Oregon at NAIA Western Regional (at Redding, Calif.), TBA
COLLEGE SOFTBALL	
Today	Eastern Oregon vs. William Jessup (at Redding, Calif.), 11 a.m.
	Eastern Oregon at Simpson, 3 p.m.
Saturday	Eastern Oregon vs. William Jessup (at Redding, Calif.), 9 a.m.
	Eastern Oregon at Simpson, 11 a.m.
Prep Scores	
BOYS BASKETBALL	
	Corbett 63, Madras 60
	Franklin 83, Madison 87
	Grant 80, Roosevelt 72
	Jefferson PDX 104, Cleveland 69
	Ontario 44, Baker 41
	Madras 62, Corbett 54
	Mountain View 59, Ridgeview 55
	South Eugene 51, Roseburg 44
	Valley Catholic 64, Tillamook 49
GIRLS BASKETBALL	
	Astoria 40, Scappoose 28
	Banks 39, Seaside 30
	Benson 42, Lincoln 32
	Franklin 44, Madison 36
	Hillsboro 61, Parkrose 32
	La Grande 50, Ontario 43
	Madras 62, Corbett 54
	Mountain View 59, Ridgeview 55
	South Eugene 51, Roseburg 44
	Valley Catholic 64, Tillamook 38
Basketball	
NBA	
Thursday's Games	Washington 111, Indiana 98
	Chicago 104, Boston 103
Friday-Saturday	No games scheduled.
Sunday's Games	
Hockey	
NHL	
Thursday's Games	Ottawa 3, New Jersey 0

All-Star Game (at New Orleans), 5:30 p.m. (TNT)	
NCAA	
Men's AP Top 25 Thursday's Games	No. 1 Gonzaga 96, San Francisco 61
	No. 5 Arizona 78, Washington State 59
	No. 7 Oregon 79, Utah 61
	Michigan 64, No. 11 Wisconsin 58
	No. 22 Saint Mary's 81, Lo. Marymount 48
Friday's Games	No games scheduled
Saturday's Games	No. 1 Gonzaga vs. Pacific, 1 p.m.
	No. 2 Villanova at Seton Hall, 9:30 a.m.
	No. 3 Kansas at No. 4 Baylor, 10 a.m.
	No. 5 Arizona at Washington, 5 p.m.
	No. 6 UCLA vs. Southern Cal, 7 p.m.
	No. 7 Oregon vs. Colorado, Noon
	No. 8 Louisville vs. Virginia Tech, 10 a.m.
	No. 9 West Virginia vs. Texas Tech, 11 a.m.
	No. 10 UNC vs. No. 14 Virginia, 5:15 p.m.
	No. 12 Duke vs. Wake Forest, 10 a.m.
	No. 13 Kentucky at Georgia, 3 p.m.
	No. 15 Florida at Mississippi State, 11 a.m.
	No. 16 Purdue vs. Michigan State, 1 p.m.
	No. 17 Florida State at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
	No. 18 Cincinnati vs. Tulsa, 9 a.m.
	No. 19 SMU at Houston, 3 p.m.
	No. 21 South Carolina at Vanderbilt, 5:30 p.m.
	No. 22 Saint Mary's at BYU, 7 p.m.
	No. 25 Notre Dame at N.C. State, 9 a.m.
Women's AP Top 25 Thursday's Games	No. 3 Mississippi State 58, Georgia 49
	Virginia 60, No. 4 Florida State 51
	No. 6 South Carolina 82, Vanderbilt 51
	No. 7 Notre Dame 84, Clemson 80
	No. 10 Stanford 72, California 66
	No. 12 Ohio State 87, Nebraska 69
	No. 13 Duke 79, Wake Forest 53
	No. 15 N.C. State 70, Boston College 58
	Indiana 72, No. 20 Michigan 61
	LSU 67, Texas A&M 63
Today's Games	No. 9 Washington at No. 18 UCLA, 8 p.m.
	No. 11 Oregon State at Colorado, 7 p.m.
	No. 25 Drake at Indiana State, 4 p.m.
Golf	
PGA	
Genesis Open Thursday	At Riviera Country Club Los Angeles
	Purse: \$7 million
	Yardage: 7,322; Par: 71 (35-36)
Partial First Round	
Sam Saunders	32-32—64 —5
Dustin Johnson	34-32—66 —5
J.T. Poston	32-34—66 —5
Daniel Summerhays	32-34—66 —5
Brett Stegmaier	30-36—66 —5
Cameron Percy	31-35—66 —5
Marc Leishman	35-32—67 —4
Padraig Harrington	34-33—67 —4
Billy Hurlley III	32-35—67 —4
Phil Mickelson	35-32—67 —4
Pat Perez	34-33—67 —4
Branden Grace	31-36—67 —4
Kevin Na	30-37—67 —4
Byeong Hun An	32-35—67 —4
Ollie Schniederjans	35-33—68 —