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College Rodeo

T-Wolves stumble at CNFR

BMCC womens' team title reign ends

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CASPER, Wyoming — After two straight seasons as women's team champions at the College National Finals Rodeo, Blue Mountain Community College's reign comes to an end.

A surprisingly disappointing performance in the long round led to just one qualifier to the short go for the Timberwolf women, helping BMCC to a 26th place finish with just 60 points on Saturday. It was their worst finish at the CNFR since 2010 when the Timberwolves finished 30th with 20 points. The Timberwolves came into the CNFR ranked No. 6 in the national standings 900 points out of first place.

After failing to qualify for the CNFR in 2011, BMCC rattled off five straight top-10 finishes including the last two national championships. Sam Houston State won the team title this year with 485 points.

Danyelle Williams, the 2016 women's all-around champion, was the lone short go qualifier for the women, and she turned in a 20.49-second ride in barrel racing to finish 12th in the round and 12th in the average.

On the men's side, tie-down roper Preston Pederson and saddle bronc rider Johnny Espeland made it through to the short go. Pederson finished fourth in the round with a time of 9.2 seconds, earning him a seventh place finish in the average with 48.7 on four. Espeland registered a no score in the saddle bronc short go, and finished 12th in the average with 143.5 points.

The men's team finished 43rd overall with 70 points, while Panhandle State won the title with 827.5 points. Walla Walla Community College finished six spots ahead of BMCC with 85 points.

College Baseball

Beavers keep on rolling



The Oregon State team waits to celebrate after KJ Harrison (24) runs to home with a sixth inning grand slam in the NCAA College World Series baseball game against LSU in Omaha, Neb., Monday, June 19, 2017.

(Brendan Sullivan/Omaha World-Herald via AP)

Oregon State just one win away from championship series

By ERIC OLSON
Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — The dominance Oregon State has shown all season was on full display Monday night.

Bryce Fehmel limited LSU to two hits in eight innings, KJ Harrison hit the first College World Series grand slam at TD Ameritrade Park, and Oregon State beat the Tigers 13-1 for its 23rd straight win.

The Beavers (56-4), who matched the school-record win streak they set earlier this season, took control of Bracket 1. They don't play again until Friday, and need one more win to advance to next week's best-of-three finals.

"We just talked before the game about this is our time, this is our opportunity," Oregon State coach Pat Casey said. "This is what we came here for. Let's not miss that moment. So the guys played great."

The matchup between the teams with

College World Series



the two longest active win streaks in the country was one of the most anticipated at the CWS in years. It turned out to be a dud. The 12-run margin tied the largest in a CWS game in the seven years it's been played at TD Ameritrade.

LSU (49-18) had its 17-game win streak end with its most lopsided loss in Omaha since a 20-6 rout by Cal State Fullerton in 1994.

"It wasn't what we expected or hoped for, obviously," Tigers coach Paul Mainieri said. "Heck of a way for a 17-game winning streak to end. Right from the

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AP Photo/Nati Harnik

Oregon State pitcher Bryce Fehmel (26) works against LSU in the eighth inning of an NCAA College World Series baseball game in Omaha, Neb., Monday, June 19, 2017. Oregon State won 13-1.

MLB

Zunino slugs Mariners to victory

Seattle catcher hits two home runs

By TIM BOOTH
Associated Press

SEATTLE — Mike Zunino continued his torrid month with a pair of two-run home runs, leading the Seattle Mariners to a 6-2 win over the Detroit Tigers on Monday night.

Beginning a stretch with 16 of 19 games at home prior to the All-Star break, the Mariners used a trio of homers to hand the Tigers



AP Photo/Elaine Thompson

Seattle Mariners' Mike Zunino points toward the stands as he heads home on his two-run home run against the Detroit Tigers in the sixth inning of Monday's game in Seattle.

their third straight loss and ninth in the last 13 games.

Guillermo Heredia lined a two-run homer in the fifth

inning to pull Seattle even at 2-all, and Zunino's eighth homer since being recalled

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Prep Basketball

Locals play in All-Star Series

Caden Smith, Logan Grieb, Shaw Broncheau selected

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Three local players participated in the 45th Annual Oregon Athletic Coaches Association All-Star Basketball Series over the weekend.

Pendleton's Caden Smith was on the State squad for the 6A/5A Metro-State series, and Weston-McEwen's Shaw Broncheau and Heppner's Logan Grieb were selected to play for the 4A/3A/2A East squad in the series for players who were seniors during the 2016-17 season.

In the large-school action, the Metro squad made of Portland-area players swept both games and 133-118 and 129-119. Statistics were not available.

The East also lost both its games, but Broncheau and Grieb were two of their team's top contributors in each game. On Friday, June 16, the North beat

the East 126-86 at Northwest Christian University in Eugene.

Broncheau and Grieb each scored 10 points in the loss, and the East was paced by La Grande's Zack Jacobs with 23 points. Broncheau added three steals, three rebounds and an assist, and Grieb had four steals and four rebounds.

The North, which won the regional title on Saturday by beating the South squad, was led by the 28 points and five assists from Dayton's Zach Bernards, and Columbia Christian's Levi Dalzell pulled in 10 rebounds to go with 17 points.

Then on Saturday in the third-place game at Wilsonville High School, the East team was only down one point at halftime but couldn't keep up with the West in the second half and lost 116-71.

Grieb scored 12 points and Broncheau had seven, and the East was led by the 20 points from Imbler's Brandon McGilvray. The West was led by 24 points from Philomath's Austin Gerding and 23 points from North Marion's Tanner Scanlon.

Sports shorts

Cavaliers part ways with GM

CLEVELAND (AP) — David Griffin's run with the Cleveland Cavaliers is over after one title and three straight trips to the NBA Finals.

The general manager and team mutually parted ways on Monday when owner David Gilbert said Griffin's contract will not be extended once it expires June 30.

Griffin's departure comes three days before the draft — the Cavs are currently without a pick — and on the eve of free agency.

The 47-year-old Griffin had been Cleveland's GM since May 2014. He oversaw the team's return to prominence after LeBron James came back from Miami. Griffin orchestrated the trade that brought Kevin Love from Minnesota, and he bolstered the Cavs' roster with other trades and free agents.

Griffin was the fourth GM to work for Gilbert, who bought the Cavs in 2005.



Griffin

"He is one of the all-time best healers. He applies himself as well as a person can do in terms of getting back. He's got all the grit and the perseverance about making it through this as quickly as you possibly can, so he's doing great."

— Pete Carroll

Seattle Seahawks head coach on DB DeShawn Shead's recovery from a torn ACL suffered during Seattle's playoff loss to Atlanta in January. Shead, who started 15 games in 2016, is not expected to be ready for the season opener.

Dodgers rookie fastest to hit 21 home runs in MLB history

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dodgers rookie Cody Bellinger became the fastest player to 21 home runs in baseball history, connecting in his first two at-bats against New York Mets right-hander Zach Wheeler on Monday night.

Bellinger, who was not called up until three weeks into the season, now has 21 home runs in his first 51 games.

That surpasses by one the totals of Gary Sanchez (New York Yankees 2016) and Wally Berger (Boston Braves 1930).

Bellinger, 21, now leads the National League in home runs. His first game was April 25. He has five multi-homer games, tying Mike Piazza for the Dodgers' rookie record.



Bellinger

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1993 — John Paxson hits a 3-pointer with 3.9 seconds left, and the Chicago Bulls win their third consecutive NBA title with a 99-98 victory over the Phoenix Suns in Game 6.

1994 — Ernie Els of South Africa becomes the first foreign winner of the U.S. Open since 1981, defeating Loren Roberts on the second playoff hole.

2004 — Ken Griffey Jr. hits the 500th home run of his career to help the Cincinnati Reds down the St. Louis Cardinals 6-0.

2013 — Abby Wambach scores four times to break Mia Hamm's record for international career goals.

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