

# BUCKAROOS: Newsom scored 20 points

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game to finish with 16 assists as a team.

"I think that's what I'm most happy about," Tedder said of the assist total. "Two things we always talk about are rebounding and sharing the basketball and when you look at the stats, 16 assists in a game will win you a lot of games."

Tyler Newsom took another step in his development as Pendleton's go-to guy on the offensive end, scoring a game-high 20 points on 9-of-12 shooting, with his only misses coming from behind the 3-point arc. He also produced team highs with five assists and 13 rebounds — five of which came on the offensive end. But the Buckaroos had the benefit of their secondary guys continuing to step up with solid production that helped set them apart from the Kingsmen (0-6).

Ryan Russell scored eight points with six rebounds, Richard Scott had eight points and four boards, and Dante Jackson played perhaps his best game of the young season with seven points two rebounds and one steal.

"Guys like Dante and Richard have been waiting a long time to get their opportunity," Tedder said. "Tonight was probably Dante's best night not only scoring but being solid all around and Richard's been unbelievable as a guy who's waited and waited and has taken hold of his opportunity. I'm proud of that kid and those seniors that are stepping up, it's pretty fun and special to watch."

Pendleton led by only four points at the end of the first quarter and led 33-20 at the break, but it held a lead of at least 10 points for the entire second half partially due to a stout defensive effort as well. The Buckaroos' variation of the 2-3 zone gave the Kingsmen some fits, as the visitors shot just 30 percent from the floor for the game,



Staff photo by Kathy Aney  
**Ryan Russell, of Pendleton, goes up for a shot during Friday's game against Putnam at Warberg Court.**

went 0-for-14 from 3-point range, and turned the ball over 12 times.

"We have a young team, but communication on defense is what we have going well," Ryan Russell said. "Just keep the hands up and we pride ourselves in our defense and I think we're really good in that 2-3, pretty tough to beat in the 2-3."

Tedder was also proud of the defense, especially to the fact that Putnam scored only five points in the final eight minutes.

"My goal for them is (no more than) 12 a quarter and 48 for the game and we held them under 12 each quarter and only five in the fourth, and if you do that consistently you put yourself in a really good spot to be successful," Tedder said.

Pendleton now has 13

days off of game action for Christmas break before it heads to Bend for a three-day tournament beginning Dec. 28. But the Buckaroos feel a lot better about themselves heading into the break than they did just seven days ago.

"With that tournament coming up, some of the best teams in the state," Russell said, "oh man, two wins in a row is a huge confidence boost for us right now."

RP	10	10	11	5	-	36
PHS	14	19	10	16	-	59
REX PUTNAM — J. Britt 13, R. Onishchenko 9, B. Miller 8, D. Davis 5, T. Washington 1.						
PENDLETON — T. Newsom 20, R. Scott 8, R. Russell 8, D. Jackson 7, W. Camp 4, S. Jerome 4, C. Sandford 3, D. Sams 3, K. Broncheau 2, G. Lee, M. Gallegos.						
3-pointers — RP 0, PHS 3. Free throws — RP 8-12, PHS 12-16. Fouls — RP 13, PHS 13.						

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AP Photo/Reinhold Matay  
**Orlando Magic center Nikola Vucevic, second from right, and Portland Trail Blazers center Jusuf Nurkic (27) watch as Trail Blazers guard CJ McCollum, center, shoots around Magic forward Jonathon Simmons (17) and guard Mario Hezonja (8) during the second quarter of an NBA basketball game in Orlando, Fla., on Friday.**

# BLAZERS: Lillard had 13 points in the third quarter

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Aaron Gordon, who was returning to the Magic lineup after missing two games with a concussion, limped off the court with 7:45 left in the game and the Magic trailing 85-69. He strained his calf after colliding with Trail Blazers rookie Zach Collins. He finished with 13 points and six rebounds.

Orlando trailed by 17 with just over seven minutes left in the game, but cut it to five with three minutes to go before the rally petered out.

"We had some droughts early in the game and then you're fighting uphill and need the fourth quarter to be almost perfect," Magic coach Frank Vogel said. "We had some good possessions, played the right way and just didn't get the payoff. We've got to finish better."

Lillard had 13 points in the third quarter when Portland slipped away from the Magic. The point guard was too quick for Orlando's Elfrid Payton and created all four of his field goals off the dribble and got Payton to foul him on a 3-pointer.

But the Blazers couldn't put enough distance between themselves and the Magic



AP Photo/Reinhold Matay  
**Portland Trail Blazers forward Noah Vonleh, second from right, and Orlando Magic forward Aaron Gordon, far right, block each other out as Portland Trail Blazers guard Evan Turner, top left center, shoots in between Magic guard Shelvin Mack (7) and guard Mario Hezonja (8) during the second quarter of an NBA basketball game in Orlando, Fla., on Friday.**

even after running off 11 straight points to take an 86-69 lead with 7:28 left in the game.

Orlando responded by scoring 12 straight points, the last basket a layup by Vucevic that made it 86-81 with just over 3 minutes to go. The Magic took advantage of five Portland turnovers during the final quarter.

"Obviously that stretch was a little unsettling," Stotts said. "We had a lot of poor

offensive possessions. Give (Orlando) a little bit of credit defensively, but we were turning the ball over."

Nurkic ended a nearly five-minute drought for Portland by powering inside for a layup that gave the Trail Blazers a seven-point lead.

The teams traded baskets the rest of the way, with Orlando never getting closer than five. Aminu settled the matter with an uncontested dunk with 23 seconds to go.

# PREP ROUDUP: Enterprise have Pilot Rock girls their second straight loss

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**UMATILLA 83, GERVAIS 51** — At Amity, Kaden Webb and Trent Durfey paced the Umatilla Vikings to their sixth consecutive win as they defeated Gervais on Friday night at the Amity Warrior Classic.

Webb had a game-high 19 points and added 10 assists for the Vikings (6-0), while Durfey pitched in 16 points and nine rebounds. Seth Cranston, Sebastian Garcia (10) and Jakeb Cook (10) all finished in double figures as well. Elvis Vallejo led Gervais (1-5) with 16 points.

Umatilla plays the host Amity in the tournament championship on Saturday.

UHS	27	25	14	17	-	83
GHS	10	17	9	15	-	51
UMATILLA — K. Webb 19, T. Durfey 16, S. Cranston 13, S. Garcia 10, J. Cook 10, G. Armenta 5, M. Garcilazo 2, U. Garcia 2, N. Hoffer 2, S. Hartung 2, C. DeLoera 2.						
GERVAIS — E. Vallejo 16, P. Villegas 13, A. Kalugin 9, N. Zarkhoff 5, A. Tarula 5, X. Ramon 3.						
3-pointers — UHS 7, GHS 7. Free throws — UHS 4-11, GHS 8-12. Fouls — UHS 14, GHS 11.						

**STANFIELD 54, ELGIN 31** — Things finally clicked for Stanfield as the Tigers hosted the Elgin Huskies on Friday. After coming off of two close wins, the Tigers were finally able to pull ahead of their competition and defeat Elgin 54-31.

"We finally put together a complete game," head coach Devin Bailey said. "It was amazing."

Senior Brody Woods led the Tigers (4-5) with 19 points. For the Huskies (4-1), senior Brandon Howes and junior Brandon Caldwell were the top scorers after finishing with eight points a piece.

EHS	5	9	11	6	-	31
SHS	13	11	15	11	-	50
ELGIN — B. Howes 8, B. Caldwell 8, I. Smith 6, J. Palmer 3, C. Lathrop 3, I. Adams 2, D. Larmann 1.						
STANFIELD — B. Woods 19, E. Nunez 17, E. Esquivel 9, B. Bailey 6, R. Orozco 2, M. Sanchez 1.						
3-pointers — EHS 4, SHS 2. Free throws — EHS 3-8, SHS 8-12. Fouls — EHS 16, SHS 11.						

**MAC-HI 58, CONDON/WHEELER 51** — There was plenty of action happening at Pilot Rock on Friday. To open the tournament, Mac-Hi took on Condon/Wheeler and it came down to the wire.

The Pioneers snuck away with a 58-51 victory over the Knights.

For Condon/Wheeler, it came down to a lack of execution.

"Very poor shooting night," head coach Tanner McIntosh said. "Finished up shooting 33-percent. Kids played hard and gave themselves a chance in the end."

But the Knights (3-2) couldn't outlast the Pioneers (6-1), who picked up their second consecutive win.

CONDON/WHEELER — B. Harrison 17, T. Homer 10, H. Winslow 9, J. Hoover 8, C. Johnson 7.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

**ENTERPRISE 38, PILOT ROCK 34** —

Entering Friday's game against Enterprise, the Pilot Rock Rockets knew they would be facing a tough test.

The girls entered the season hot with a three-game winning streak but then sandwiched a pair of wins with two losses.

The Enterprise Outlaws gave the Rockets their second straight loss to move their record to 5-1 on the season.

The Outlaws were led by junior Karli Bedard but she wasn't the only player Pilot Rock had to look out for.

"It was a great game," Rockets head coach Dan Deist said. "Enterprise is a well-coached team, with long tall athletes."

While Deist praised both team's defensive efforts, it was Enterprise who had the advantage after holding the Rockets (5-3) to only 19 points through three quarters.

The Rockets will be looking for revenge when they travel to Enterprise next week.

EHS	6	10	7	15	-	38
PR	8	5	6	15	-	24
ENTERPRISE — K. Bedard 9, A. Gray 7, A. Exon 7, R. Gray 6, G. Carlisen 4, R. Christmas 4, L. Gasset 1.						
PILOT ROCK — G. Austin 8, K. Deist 8, B. Balezina 6, S. Weirke 5, K. Evans 4, R. Oates 3.						
3-pointers — EHS 1, PR 2. Free throws — EHS 7-18, PR 12-25. Fouls — EHS 21, PR 18.						

**NIXYAAWII 92, WALLOWA 26** — The Nixyaawii Eagles had no problems defending their home court Friday. Nixyaawii ran away with a 92-26 win



Staff photo by E.J. Harris  
**Pilot Rock's Kaitelyn Evans grabs rebound over Enterprise's Karli Bedard on Friday in the Rockets' 38-34 loss to the Outlaws in Pilot Rock.**

over the visiting Wallowa Cougars.

Every Eagle (5-0) got playing time and all but two scored to get Nixyaawii close to the century mark for the first time this season.

Senior Mary Stewart led all scorers with 27 points for Nixyaawii. Fellow senior Milan Schimmel chipped in 22. Schimmel also led the team in assists (six) and junior Ermia Butler had a team-best seven rebounds.

The Cougars (2-4) got little, if nothing, going against the Eagles, and were held to single digits all four quarters. Nixyaawii played great defense, head coach Jeremy Maddern said, and ended the beating with 23 steals.

NIX	39	25	24	4	-	92
WHS	9	6	5	6	-	26
NIXYAAWII — M. Stewart 27, M. Schimmel 22, E. Looney 13, K. Mountain Chief 8, E. Butler 6, L. Moses 6, T. Van Pelt 4, K.						

high 20 points.

"The girls played well as a team tonight, taking care to pass to each other to get good shots," Garton said.

The Knights' (0-5) struggled to keep up with their first-quarter performance, and committed 32 turnovers and scored in the single digits en route to their fifth consecutive loss. Senior captain Annika Rietmann led the team with eight points.

M-H	15	12	10	11	-	48
CW	12	5	3	5	-	25
MAC-HI — B. Hernandez 20, J. Hernandez 6, S. Earls 6, B. Jones 5, C. Breeding 3, H. Hair 4, A. Castillo 2, Yensen 1, B. Garcia 1.						
CONDON/WHEELER — A. Rietmann 8, Jaeger 7, Mode 4, A. Carline 4, L. Clark 2.						
3-pointers — M-H 6, CW 2. Free throws — M-H 6-10, CW 3-12. Fouls — M-H 12, CW 11.						

**HELIX 36, ECHO 28** —

In Helix, the Grizzlies picked up only their second win of the season after defeating Echo 36-28.

The Cougars (2-3) had a slow start, and finally broke out in the fourth quarter but it was too little too late as the Grizzlies (2-4) had already built up their lead.

Senior Emma Fehrenbacher led Helix with 18 points — the only Grizzly to score in double digits.

For Echo, senior Marti Huff outscored everybody on the court with a game-high 18 points.

EHS	6	4	8	10	-	28
HLX	12	5	6	13	-	36
ECHO — M. Huff 18, T. Skillman 4, R. McCarty 4, Parks 2.						
HELIX — E. Fehrenbacher 11, A. Wood 8, K. Mize 5, S. Wilson 4, C. Bennett 4, A. Krol 2, H. Christman 2.						
3-pointers — EHS 2, HLX 1. Free throws — EHS 0-0, HLX 11-24. Fouls — EHS 18, HLX 5.						

**ELGIN 49, STANFIELD 40** —

To open the Stanfield Tournament, the Tigers got off to a good start against the visiting Elgin Huskies. The teams were neck-in-neck after the first quarter with Elgin holding a narrow one-point lead, 15-14. But a slow second quarter stopped both teams momentum and after coming out of the half, the Tigers lost their chance at opening the weekend with a win.

Elgin claimed a 49-40 victory after holding Stanfield to a scoreless third

quarter.

The Tigers (0-9) needed to rally in the fourth quarter, and scored 21 points in an effort to come back but the final buzzer sounded before Stanfield could come close to the Huskies (4-2).

Sophomore Kendra Hart led the Tigers with 28 points. For Elgin, senior Hannah McClure was its top scorer with 13 points.

EHS	15	7	20	7	-	49
SHS	14	5	0	21	-	40
ELGIN — H. McClure 13, T. Noble 9, J. Palmer 7, Jo. Palmer 7, K. Evans 7, T. Anderson 4, S. Baker 2.						
STANFIELD — K. Hart 28, S. Sharp 6, A. Griffin 2, A. Carrillo 2, J. Wallace 2.						
3-pointers — EHS 1, SHS 4. Free throws — EHS 12-20, SHS 4-7. Fouls — EHS 11, SHS 14.						

## WRESTLING

**TRI-STATE TOURNAMENT** —

Hermiston crossed the border for a weekend at the Tri-State Tournament in Idaho, and fared well on the first day of competition.

Aiden Villareal (145 pounds) and Joey Gutierrez (195 pounds) both advanced to the semifinals in their respective weight classes on Friday. Gutierrez won two matches by decision and one by fall, and Villareal won two by decision, one by major decision and one by fall. Several Bulldogs remain alive in the consolation bracket as well.

Action picks back up on Saturday.

## ECHO AT TWIN FALLS

At Twin Falls, Idaho, the Echo Cougars wrapped up Day 1 of the Wiley Dobbs Invitational on Friday night with only one wrestler left in contention for a title.

Kenny Bevan won three matches on Friday, all by fall to reach the semifinals at 195 pounds. His first two victories both came within the first 30 seconds of the match, and his quarterfinal win came at the 2:23 mark.

Mychael Pointer was ousted from contention in the 145-pound quarterfinals by a 7-4 decision and then lost in the consolation round by fall. Hayden Hilliard was ousted in the consolation round at 138 pounds as well.