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Mac-Hi's Dareagan Stephens (2) and La Grande's Kaleb Myer (0) charge after a loose ball during Thursday's semi-final game of the Greater Oregon League district tournament in La Grande. The Tigers defeated the Pioneers 47-26 on Thursday.

Pioneers: Earls led Mac-Hi with 10 points

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to lead the Pioneers, and Darby Rhoads added six.

The loss leaves the Pioneers (9-16 overall) hoping their OSA ranking ends high enough for them to earn one of eight state play-in bids.

Boys basketball

LA GRANDE 47, MAC-HI 26 — The Mac-Hi boys struggled offensively on Thursday, as they matched their season-low for points in a Greater Oregon League district tournament semifinal loss to host La Grande — one that likely ends their season.

The low-scoring affair

saw Mac-Hi make just five first-half field goals, yet the Pioneers were within 20-14 at the break. But the Pioneers went the first 5:38 of the second half without a point, fell behind by double digits and couldn't catch up as La Grande put the game away with a 22-5 run.

Isaac Earls hit two late 3-pointers to finish with 10 points for the Pioneers (10-14 overall), while Dareagan Stephens added seven points. Cristian Mendoza led all scorers with 18 points.

Mac-Hi's postseason hopes depend on if it could finish with a high-enough OSA ranking to collect one of state eight play-in bids.

Champions: 'It's really going to be a good show'

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ers and some veterans. It's really going to be a good show."

Among the list of 27 riders and six junior riders are some local athletes, including Hayden Hilliard of Hermiston, Jacob Ramirez of Weston, and Cain Smith of Pendleton.

The tour is bringing in multiple contractors and will feature riders ranging from Pro Bull Riding qualifiers and finalists to top circuit finals qualifiers, and college and high school rodeo finalists. The night's winners will receive a custom belt buckle and prizes provided by the

event's sponsors.

Food will be provided by Mario's Basque Bar-B-Q, and a beer garden will come courtesy of the Midway Bar & Grill.

"It's a night of food and fun," Meling said. "You'll get a much closer look at the action. You're right on top of it. And it benefits the community."

Gates open at 5:30 p.m., and the event kicks off at 7 p.m.

Following their Pendleton performance, the tour will make seven more consecutive stops in Oregon, including Prineville on March 14 and Hermiston on May 16. The tour finale will be held in Central Point and will run from Jan. 1-2, 2021.



Staff photo by Ben Lonergan

The outfield fencing at Bob White Field lays collapsed on Thursday afternoon as a result of the Umatilla River flooding on Feb. 6, 2020.

Landmark: 'There's a lot of people connected to the community because of Bob White Field'

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important for our kids."

As repairs are underway throughout the spring, Babe Ruth home games will be played at Fallen Field near the Round-Up Grounds, while away games are to be held at Pilot Rock and Weston.

The high school varsity team will play their home games at Blue Mountain Community College's baseball field. If a scheduling conflict between the Bucks and the Timberwolves arises, the Bucks will move that home game to Fallen Field.

Pendleton High School's junior varsity and freshman baseball teams will host their home games at Fallen Field, as well.

Pendleton School District Director of Business Services Michelle Jones said the district is still trying to get an official estimate of the damage done to Bob White Field. Because the field is under the 100-year flood plain, she said the district's insurance requires a \$500,000 deductible before it will begin covering damages. She added the district hasn't committed to a method for covering the deductible.

While the Pendleton Babe Ruth program is still looking over the information on the damages and costs, Field said repairs to the buildings will cost roughly \$25,000 and equipment repairs and replacements will total up to \$64,000.

"People lost their houses in this flood," he said. "This is a baseball field. We'll get it back. Our timeline is the school district's timeline. We're here to help. We're ready to get in there and start work. We lost everything in there. (Bob White Field) didn't just benefit Babe



Staff photo by Ben Lonergan

Mud fills the dugout at Bob White Field in Pendleton on Thursday afternoon. The field was inundated with floodwater following flooding from the Umatilla River on Feb. 6, 2020.



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Mud from flooding on Feb. 6, 2020, coats the field at Bob White Field in Pendleton on Thursday afternoon.

Ruth — it benefited the high school and visiting teams."

Because of the diamond's longevity and location near the river, Bob White Field is a sentimental part of many local baseball fans' lives.

"It tugs at a lot of people's heartstrings when you're talking about Bob White Field," said Haguewood, who also serves as the vice president of the Pendleton Babe Ruth program. "Playing down there is a

special opportunity for a lot of kids. We got a lot of support from people around the state. There's a lot of people connected to the community because of Bob White Field."

Haguewood extended his sympathies to his upcoming varsity baseball team's senior class, who will not get to end their careers as Bucks on their beloved home field.

"I feel bad for this year's seniors who won't get to play

there," he said. "It's disappointing, but they're going to make the best of it."

Although damages and repair costs are still being assessed, Haguewood said there could be close to \$500,000 in damages caused by the flooding. Because Babe Ruth is a nonprofit organization, Field added that donations will be used to repair the concession stand and the garage, both of which are owned by Babe Ruth. The field itself belongs to Pendleton School District.

"The big thing is, we'll all come together to get it done," Field said. "It's a beautiful setting. You won't find another field in the state of Oregon that has the sponsor support that Bob White Field has. Everyone wants to be on that fence."

The Pendleton Babe Ruth program will be holding an open registration for the upcoming season at the Pendleton Fire House on Monday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

SCOREBOARD

LOCAL SLATE

FRIDAY, FEB. 21

Boys basketball
Pendleton at The Dalles, 5:30 p.m.
Heppner vs. Pilot Rock at Blue Mountain Districts (Pendleton Convention Center), 2:45 p.m.
Union vs. Stanfield at Blue Mountain Districts (Pendleton Convention Center), 7:45 p.m.
Nixyaawii vs. Elgin/Imbler, Old Oregon League Districts (Baker City), 7:30 p.m.
Ione/Arlington vs. Dufur at Big Sky Districts (Madras), 4:30 p.m.
Girls basketball
Hermiston vs. Kamiakin, 9 a.m. (Toyota Center)
Stanfield vs. Grant Union at Blue Mountain Districts, (Pendleton Convention Center), 1 p.m.
Pendleton at The Dalles, 7 p.m.
Ione/Arlington vs. Dufur at Big Sky Districts (Madras), 3 p.m.
Girls wrestling
Hermiston at WIAA State Tournament (Tacoma)
Boys wrestling
Hermiston at WIAA State Tournament (Tacoma)
Men's basketball
Blue Mountain at Big Bend, 4 p.m.
Women's basketball
Blue Mountain at Big Bend, 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEB. 22

Boys basketball
Heppner, Stanfield, Pilot Rock at Blue Mountain Districts (Pendleton Convention Center), TBD
Nixyaawii vs. TBD, Old Oregon League Districts (Baker City), TBD
Ione/Arlington at Big Sky Districts (Madras), TBD
Girls basketball
Heppner, Stanfield at Blue Mountain Districts (Pendleton Convention Center), TBD
Ione/Arlington at Big Sky Districts (Madras), TBD
Boys wrestling
Hermiston at WIAA State Tournament (Tacoma)
Girls wrestling
Hermiston at WIAA State Tournament (Tacoma)
Men's basketball
Blue Mountain at Big Bend, 4 p.m.
Women's basketball
Blue Mountain at Big Bend, 2 p.m.

NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	40	15	.727	—
Boston	38	16	.704	1½
Phila.	35	21	.625	5½
Brooklyn	25	29	.463	14½
New York	17	38	.309	23
Southeast				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Miami	35	20	.636	—

Orlando	24	31	.436	11
Washington	20	33	.377	14
Charlotte	19	36	.345	16
Atlanta	16	41	.281	20
Central				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Milwaukee	47	8	.855	—
Indiana	32	23	.582	15
Chicago	19	37	.339	28½
Detroit	19	39	.328	29½
Cleveland	14	40	.259	32½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Houston	34	20	.630	—
Dallas	33	22	.600	1½
Memphis	28	26	.519	6
San Antonio	23	31	.426	11
New Orleans	23	32	.418	11½
Northwest				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Denver	38	17	.691	—
Utah	36	18	.667	1½
Oklahoma City	33	22	.600	5
Portland	25	31	.446	13½
Minnesota	16	37	.302	21
Pacific				
W	L	Pct	GB	
L.A. Lakers	41	12	.774	—
L.A. Clippers	37	18	.673	5
Phoenix	22	33	.400	20
Sacramento	21	33	.389	20½
Golden State	12	43	.218	30

Houston at Golden State, late							
Friday's Games							
Cleveland at Washington, 4 p.m.							
Dallas at Orlando, 4 p.m.							
Indiana at New York, 4:30 p.m.							
Phoenix at Toronto, 4:30 p.m.							
Boston at Minnesota, 5 p.m.							
Denver at Oklahoma City, 5 p.m.							
San Antonio at Utah, 6 p.m.							
Memphis at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m.							
New Orleans at Portland, 7:30 p.m.							
Saturday's Games							
Sacramento at L.A. Clippers, 12:30 p.m.							
Brooklyn at Charlotte, 4 p.m.							
Dallas at Atlanta, 4:30 p.m.							
Cleveland at Miami, 5 p.m.							
Phoenix at Chicago, 5 p.m.							
Phila. at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m.							
Houston at Utah, 6 p.m.							
Sunday's Games							
Boston at L.A. Lakers, 12:30 p.m.							
Indiana at Toronto, 3 p.m.							
Minnesota at Denver, 3 p.m.							
San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 4 p.m.							
Washington at Chicago, 4 p.m.							
New Orleans at Golden State, 5:30 p.m.							
Detroit at Portland, 6 p.m.							
NHL STANDINGS							
EASTERN CONFERENCE							
Atlantic	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	61	38	11	12	88	201	147
Tampa Bay	60	40	15	5	85	215	159
Toronto	62	32	22	8	72	217	204
Florida	60	32	22	6	70	210	202
Montreal	63	28	27	8	64	191	195
Buffalo	60	27	25	8	62	175	190

Ottawa	61	21	29	11	53	164	209
Detroit	62	15	43	4	34	127	232
Metropolitan							
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Pittsburgh	59	37	16	6	80	196	158
Washington	60	37	17	6	80	211	184
Phila.	61	34	18	7	75	202	181
Columbus	62	30	19	13	73	159	159
Carolina	59	34	21	4	72	193	164
N.Y. Islanders	59	33	20	6	72	168	162
N.Y. Rangers	59	31	24	4	66	195	184
New Jersey	60	23	27	10	56	164	208
WESTERN CONFERENCE							
Central	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	61	34	17	10	78	191	172
Dallas	60	35	19	6	76	164	153
Colorado	59	34	18	7	75	209	165
Winnipeg	62	32	25	5	69	190	185
Nashville	59	29	23	7	65	190	191
Minnesota	59	28	24	7	63	180	190
Chicago	60	26	26	8	60	179	194
Pacific							
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Edmonton	60	32	21	7	71	191	185
Vancouver	60	32	22	6	70	194	184
Vegas	61	31	22	8	70	192	185
Calgary	61	31	24	6	68	180	190
Arizona	64	30	26	8	68	174	171
San Jose	60	26	30	4	56	156	196
Anaheim	60	24	29	7	55	156	190
Los Angeles	60	21	34	5	47	148	193

Montreal 4, Washington 3, OT
New Jersey 2, San Jose 1
Phila. 4, Columbus 3, OT
Winnipeg 5, Ottawa 1
St. Louis 1, Arizona 0
Tampa Bay at Arizona, late
Florida at Los Angeles, late
Friday's Games
N.Y. Rangers at Carolina, 4:30 p.m.
Detroit vs. N.Y. Islanders at Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum, 5 p.m.
Nashville at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.
Boston at Calgary, 6 p.m.
Minnesota at Edmonton, 6 p.m.
Colorado at Anaheim, 7 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Buffalo at Pittsburgh, 10 a.m.
Washington at New Jersey, 10 a.m.
Winnipeg at Phila., 10 a.m.
Carolina at Toronto, 4 p.m.
Montreal at Ottawa, 4 p.m.
San Jose at N.Y. Rangers, 4 p.m.
Columbus at Nashville, 5 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Arizona, 5 p.m.
Boston at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
Florida at Vegas, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Pittsburgh at Washington, 9 a.m.
Chicago at Dallas, noon
Winnipeg at Buffalo, noon
San Jose vs. N.Y. Islanders at Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum, 2 p.m.
Calgary at Detroit, 4 p.m.
St. Louis at Minnesota, 4:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Los Angeles, 7 p.m.
Vegas at Anaheim, 7 p.m.

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

Thursday's Games
Toronto 4, Pittsburgh 0