

Pendleton's Payton Lambert (32) returns to the bench. The Pendleton Buckaroos fell 7-6 against the Dallas Dragons on Friday, Nov. 5, 2021, in the first round of the OSA 5A State Football Championships at the Pendleton Round-Up Arena in Pendleton.



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5A BOYS

Pendleton's James Thatcher finished 31st overall in a time of 17:35.80. He is the first Pendleton runner to qualify for state since 2016.

Tyrone Gorze of Crater won the race in a time of 15:05.20, 30 seconds in front of his teammate Josiah Tostenson, who was second.

Crater also won the team title with 35 points, while Crescent Valley was second with 54.

WASHINGTON 3A GIRLS

Powered by sophomore Megan Joyce, the Hermiston girls finished 11th in the team standings at Sun Willows Golf Course in Pasco.

The Bulldogs finished with 252 points, and were the highest-placing Mid-Columbia Conference school.

Mead won the team title with 114 points, followed by Central Kitsap with 155 points.

Macy Marquardt of Kennewick won the race in a time of 17:31.60. The second-place runner was 58 seconds behind her.

Joyce finished 31st overall with a time of 19:40.10, followed by teammates Alexia Serna (45th, 19:58.60), Liz Newman (56th, 20:06.30), Jackie Garcia-Sandoval (105th, 21:00) and Ashley Treadwell (120th, 21:10.20).

WASHINGTON 3A BOYS

Hermiston senior Logan Springstead finished 87th overall in a time of 17:24.80 to lead the Bulldogs. Freshman Jaysen Rodriguez finished 92nd in a time of 17:27.60 to round out the two-man contingent.

Bishop Blanchet won the team title with 88 points, while Gig Harbor was second with 111.

William Schneider of Bishop Blanchet won the race in a time of 15:17.10.



Pendleton Buckaroos head coach Erik Davis makes plans during half time Friday, Nov. 5, 2021, in the first round of the Oregon School Activities Association 5A State Football Championships at the Pendleton Round-Up Arena in Pendleton.



Pendleton's Payton Lambert (32) wraps up Dallas quarterback Ashton Foster (1) for a sack. The Pendleton Buckaroos lost 7-6 against the Dallas Dragons on Friday, Nov. 5, 2021, in the first round of the OSA 5A State Football Championships at the Pendleton Round-Up Arena in Pendleton.

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"Attitude, preparation and effort. We did all of those things," Davis said. "We checked those boxes off. Defensively, we played well enough to win. You hold a team to seven points, you should win. Hats off to Dallas for showing up and playing sound defense."

Lambert rushed for 56 yards and had one reception for 65 to lead the Bucks. Primus threw for 175 yards, and Bensching had two catches for 49 yards.

Defensively, Kyle Liscom had 14 tackles, Aiden Gunter had five and a sack, Dylan Abrahamson had five tackles, Easton Corey had a sack, and Jennings knocked away two passes that would have gone for big plays.

It was the final game for Liscom, who has been

the leader of the defense the past two seasons.

"This hurts, it really does," Liscom said. "Our defense played really well, we just didn't click on all cylinders on offense. We just didn't get things done."

Liscom got a hug from every player and coach on the team after the game.

"I have played with or against these guys since the third grade," he said. "You love the game, but you love your guys more."



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During the past couple years, we have managed to navigate our way through a multitude of challenges. There were times when we wanted to throw in the towel or have a good cry. Also, days if we were drinking persons, we would have gotten a magnum of wine with a straw. There were mask mandates & temporary closures. Then Spring inventory shipping delays and now RIDICULOUS price increases, IF we can get our orders. Name most anything and it seems there is a shortage of it lately. As a business owner I can tell you, rising prices and obtaining inventory struggles are REAL!

As for offering "Holiday specials, discounts or sales", we have neither the time nor energy to spend days repricing all our in-stock inventory. Nor will we insult our customers intelligence by raising prices so we can "mark it down" just to offer sales. But rather, we will hold our prices on in stock inventory and let that be our "Holiday Sale" for the remainder of the year.

We will NOT be holding an "open house" this year due to the looming covid restrictions. With the help of our small wonderful team, we will do our best to have everything ready for your shopping enjoyment by late Oct. in order to avoid over-crowding.

We will get through this with our loyal customers remembering to support and shop local.

May your days be filled with peace & simple pleasures this Holiday season.

Forever grateful
Jeanne and George

Nov 2 - Dec 4
We will once again be collecting non-perishable food items for the M-F Ministerial Food Drive. Thank you for your contributions!