



Kathy Aney/East Oregonian

A lifter grimaces as he competes Saturday, March 12, 2022, during the Iron Tiger Weightlifting Competition at Stanfield Secondary School, Stanfield.

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freshman Aylin Gomez, who won the 180-plus class with a total of 520. She squatted 260 pounds.

There was also camaraderie among the lifters.

“A kid from Scappoose had 475 (pounds) on the squat rack and everyone stopped to watch him and cheer him on,” Reeser said. “It was a great day. So many great things happened.”

ON THE SLATE

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

Prep baseball
Pendleton at Walla Walla (2), 2 p.m.
La Grande at McLoughlin, 2 p.m.
Umatilla at Pilot Rock, 4 p.m.
Weston-McEwen at Irrigon, 4 p.m.
Stanfield/Echo at Riverside, 4 p.m.

Prep softball
Eisenhower at Hermiston, 4 p.m.
Walla Walla at Pendleton, 4 p.m.
Irrigon at Weston-McEwen, 4 p.m.
Echo/Stamfield at Riverside, 4 p.m.
Umatilla at Pilot Rock, 4 p.m.

Boys soccer
Hermiston at Hanford, 7 p.m.

Prep tennis
Weston-McEwen, McLoughlin at College Place Invite, 3:30 p.m.
Kennewick at Hermiston, 4 p.m.
Sherman at Riverside, 4 p.m.
Umatilla at Stanfield/Echo, 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

Prep softball
La Grande at Hermiston, 4 p.m.

Prep golf
Hermiston at MCC pod, Zintel Canyon, 9 a.m.

Prep tennis
Weston-McEwen at Arlington, 3:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

Prep baseball
Baker at Heppner (2), noon
La Grande at Hermiston (2), 4 p.m.

Prep softball
Baker at Heppner/lone (2), noon

Prep golf
Pendleton girls at Hermiston, 11 a.m.

Prep tennis
Irrigon at Sherman, 3 p.m.
Pasco at Hermiston, 4 p.m.

Track and field
McLoughlin, Riverside, Stanfield/Echo, Weston-McEwen at Ontario Ice Breaker, 3:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18

Prep baseball
Columbia-Burbank (WA) at Riverside (2), 2 p.m.
Pendleton at Hanford, 4 p.m.
Weston-McEwen at McLoughlin, 4 p.m.
Pilot Rock at Irrigon, 4 p.m.

Prep softball
Echo/Stamfield at Umatilla, 1 p.m.
Columbia-Burbank (WA) at Riverside (2), 2 p.m.
Enterprise at Weston-McEwen (2), 2 p.m.
Pilot Rock at Irrigon, 4 p.m.

Boys soccer
Hermiston at Kennewick, 7 p.m.

Prep golf
Heppner at Echo Hills Golf Club, 10 a.m.

Track and Field
lone, Umatilla at Mullen Leavitt Invite, The Dalles, 2 p.m.

College baseball
Clackamas at Blue Mountain (2), noon

College softball
Spokane at Blue Mountain (2), 2 p.m.



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Brooks Hubel steers the puck up the ice Friday, March 11, 2022, during hockey practice for the Pendleton Rough Riders at the Hapo Ice Arena in Pasco.

Hockey:

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Creek Elementary School fourth grader said. “It’s not something our small town gets to do. Playing in a different area, different conditions (indoor) and against someone other than our team members.”

The players will also have locker rooms to change in, there will be a scoreboard and the sights and sounds of a regular indoor hockey game.

A standard sheet of hockey ice is 200 feet long and 85 feet wide. While 10U teams typically play on a half sheet of ice, the width will be different for the Pendleton team, which is used to playing on a sheet of ice that is 96 feet long and 56 feet wide. It also will be the first time for some of the Rough Riders to play in an indoor rink.

“I asked the kids a couple of days ago how many have played on an indoor sheet of ice,” Kelty said. “Half of them raised their hands. For our kids to play in an actual arena, with a scoreboard



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Ryan Farber, of the Pendleton Rough Riders, hits the puck Friday, March 11, 2022, during hockey practice at the Hapo Ice Arena in Pasco.

and fans, the kids are beside themselves. The parents have jumped on board. They are excited for them to play in a real arena and against a real team.”

The Rough Riders will take 12 players to Kent—one goalie and three lines. They will play against the Kent Valley Hurricanes and the Kent Valley Tornadoes.

To prepare for their games in Kent, the Rough Riders have made two trips to the Hapo Ice Arena in Pasco for practice.

“Old West Federal Credit Union (Pendleton) sponsored

us, and helped pay for the ice in Pasco,” Kelty said. “We couldn’t have done it without Old West. We are very grateful to them.”

The Rough Riders are part of Pendleton Ice Sports, which is a nonprofit organization. The players’ fees (\$125) are kept to a minimum—just enough to pay for the ice in the park and equipment, which is provided. They even have a Zamboni.

“We started in 2007,” Pendleton Ice Sports president John Bieker said. “The first year we had maybe eight players, now we have

PENDLETON ROUGH RIDERS 10U

Luke Kelty, G/F
Keaton Alexander, F
Kevin Gregg, F
Murray Alexander, G/F
Brooks Hubel, F
Ryan Farber, D/F
Sam Lieuallen, D/F
Jack Gregg, D
Grady Endicott, F
Wyatt Marquez, D
Olivia Jones, F
Keaton Hubel, F
Coaches — Silas Kelty, Jean-Luke Alexander

62. We run four different levels. In 2014-15, we added a high school level. We used to play in Walla Walla once a year, but the last year we were able to go over there was 2014. It has been a really good program. Everyone is just appreciative of what we have.”

The program has players from Pendleton, Hermiston, Cove and Milton-Freewater.

“We represent the whole region,” Kelty said. “I hope that continues to grow.”

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