Wallowa boys flounder against Echo, end season

A team that had revamped its outside shooting in recent games, the boys' squad from Wallowa High School shot a mere 26 percent from the field and netted only one of 16 three-point casts Thursday night at the 1A-7 Old Oregon League District Tournament in Baker City. The result was a 50-38 loss to Echo that ended Wallowa's season.

Wallowa, 5-7 in league and 10-13 on the season, fell behind early and never threatened the Echo Cougars who claimed third place in the league tournament and advanced to play at Crane in first-round State Tournament action Tuesday night, Feb. 24.

It was a frustrating way for the local Cougars to end their season. Wallowa coach Greg Oveson said, "We were getting the looks we wanted, but we couldn't put the ball in the hole." He estimated that his young team, which only has two seniors on the roster, missed 18 to 20 shots within the three-foot range.

While Oveson's team was stumbling, Echo juniors Carlos Chavez and Michael Thompson were tossing in 16 points apiece. After trailing 15-6 after the first six minutes, WHS rallied to narrow the score to 28-22 at the half, then lost sight of the basket in the third quarter when Echo re-established its lead. In that third quarter, said Oveson, his team went three of 16 from the field and only scored six points compared with Echo's 12.

Four WHS players did all the scoring for Oveson's quint. Gareth Murray scored 13, Noah Allen 10, Karl Wellens eight, and Koby Frye

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Wallowa's Gareth Murray shoots over two Griswold defenders Feb. 17 in the Cougar Dome. Wallowa won the game, 49-29, and moved on to district play.

E-Gals' playoff hopes dashed

By S.F. Tool Wallowa County Chieftain

The E-Gals ended the final week of the season 1-1, beating Pine Eagle at home on Feb. 17 for a shot at District before succumbing to Wallowa at the Old Oregon League District Tournament in Baker City on Feb 19.

The team ended the season with a 7-15 record, four more wins than last year's total.

The Joseph girls pre-vailed against Pine Eagle 43-36 despite the loss of rebound queen Satori Albee from illness. Other E-Gals stepped in to take Albee's place with scoring spread across the board. Joseph iumped to an early lead and led 23-9 at the half.

The last half of the fourth quarter brought a partial collapse of the Joseph team, allowing Pine Eagle to pull within six before the buzzer sounded.

Lindsay Kemp led Joseph scoring with 16, followed by Alexis Sykora with 10 and Natalie Williams with nine (three three-pointers).

Joseph then lost a hardfought and low-scoring contest to Wallowa on Thursday, 36-26. (See Wallowa girls story).

Joseph began the fourth period only two points down, but faded until the last half of the quarter. "Once we got about six points behind, it kind of took the wind out of our sails. We've got a young team, and it happens," Joseph girls coach Travis Huffman said.

The returning Satori Albee led the E-Gals with eight points followed by Lindsay Kemp with seven



S.F. Tool/Chieftain McKinzie Parker looks for an open teammate.

and freshman Alexis Sykora with five. Both Albee and Sykora made 2nd-team all-league. "I told Alexis you just don't see freshmen making the all-star team, you just don't do it," Huffman said.

Huffman harbors high hopes for next season. "I think we got a good foundation built this year, and I think the girls are looking forward to it. As many games as we were 'in,' they figured winning was a lot more fun than losing," the coach said.

The E-Gals also have upcoming basketball camps and a couple of tournaments to prepare for next season. "It's good to see these girls are hungry. We've also got some real good eighth-graders coming up. It's going to be a competition next year,"

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cena 3.65, Cheyenne Hall 3.64,

Emily George 4.00, Sarah Abdeldayem 3.83, Josh Rummell 3.82, Robert Delancey



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Koby Frye 3.50, Marybeth

Hulse 3.46. Sophomores:

Jordan Ferré 4.00, Ashley Starner-Durning 3.92, Stacy Douglass 3.68, Sierra Cabral 3.67, Claire Wellens 3.43, Alley Markle-Shane 3.25, Lauren Makin 3.25.

Freshmen:

Daniel Delancey 4.00, Teagan Miller 3.86, Chance Goebel 3.86, Will Bernhardt 3.56, Joseph Pendarvis 3.36, Ethan Burns 3.36, Cailey Murray 3.32.

WALLOWA JUNIOR HIGH

8th Grade:

Riley Ferré 4.00, Ashley Wilson 4.00, Rylee Goller 3.86, Zane Hermens 3.79, Lily Cabral 3.61, Austin Brockamp 3.36, Katelynn Diggins 3.32, Michael Diggins 3.29.

7th Grade:

Anna Moholt 4.00, Ashlyn Young 3.93, Quinten Tillery 3.75, Jared Bowers 3.57.

ENTERPRISE HIGH SCHOOL

Seniors:

Nikolai Christoffersen 4.00, Sarah Madsen 4.00, Carsen Sajonia 4.00, Emma Hall 3.90, Reanna Royse 3.90, Taylor Jenkins 3.89, Christian Ruckdashel 3.89, Rocky Davidson 3.81, Cody Irish 3.72, Cheyenne Knight 3.60.

Dawn Mist Movich-Fields 4.00, Emma Carlsen 3.94, Bette Rooney 3.90, Eyreus Rooney 3.86, Mackenzie Gray 3.83. Andrea Butterfield 3.81, Justin Exon 3.72, Nicole Maasdam 3.72, Nathan Perren 3.71, Zoe Sallada 3.67, Katelynn Sidoti 3.67, Jacklyn Jenson 3.48, fany Christman 3.38, Will Mc-Cadden 3.33.

Sophomores:

Morgan Anderson 4.00, Becca Bateman 4.00, Jacob Evarts 4.00, Patrick Powers 4.00, Wade Isley 3.95, Whitney Evans 3.86, Kacie Melville 3.81, Sarah Aschenbrenner 3.66, Darby Gassett 3.66, Gabby Wells 3.62, Casev Kiser 3.57. Gwen Jenson 3.52, Trent Bales 3.43, Jordan Collins 3.43, Kobe Ketscher 3.43, Adrian Widener 3.33.

Freshmen:

Gracie Carlsen 4.00, Reece Christman 4.00, Cole Farwell 4.00, Rachel Frolander 4.00, Riley Gray 4.00, Sebastian Hobbs 4.00, Eliza Irish 4.00, Jimmy Wells 3.95, Rylie Hayward 3.90, Heidi Niezen 3.90, Curtis Sanders 3.90. Lucy Kissinger 3.83. Ellie Van Doozer 3.47, Ashley Exon 3.39, Madison Plew 3.38, Brett Greenshields 3.33, Nodya Papineau 3.33.

ENTERPRISE MIDDLE SCHOOL

8th Grade: Adagia Latta 4.00, Lexie

He's described by his coach as

active in most sports, including football, basketball, baseball,

and soccer. Like many of his

outdoors" including the sports of hunting and fishing.

imagination, Knifong has both

an interest in and the ability to

build things with his hands.

peers, Knifong "loves the

calm, a great listener, has the ability to learn quickly, and

applies such information in matches. At age 13, the son of Ken and Colby Knifong is

Gassett 3.86, Sarah Evarts 3.83, Amy Beck 3.67, Karli Bedard 3.61, Shelby Moncrief 3.39, Shane Lund 3.33, Jessica Teeney 3.33. 7th Grade:

Gracie Niezen 3.96, Tishrei Movich-Fields 3.95, Kaylie Melville 3.83, Ashlyn Gray 3.78, Ella Anderson 3.71, ney Rouse 3.50, Shyla Jenkins

JOSEPH CHARTER SCHOOL

High School

Courtney Bailey 4.0, Maddie Bailey, 4.0, Cayden DeLury 4.0, Brittany Gibson 4.0, Addie Kilgore 4.0, Raymond Seal 4.0, John Stein 4.0, Annie Story 4.0, Jonelle Suto 4.0, Alexis Sykora 4.0, Isabelle Tinglestad 4.0, Deni VanWinkle 4.0, Tucker VanWinkle 4.0, Bailee Wilcox 4.0, Natalie Williams 4.0, Aaron Borgerding 3.8, Morgan Forney 3.8, Taylor Grote 3.8, Haven Johnson 3.8, Lindsay Kemp 3.8, Ben Lopez 3.8, Kai Oliver 3.8, Lars Skovlin 3.8, Wyatt Smith 3.8. Rylie Warnock 3.8. Jesse Woodhead 3.8, Kari Zollman 3.8, Satori Albee 3.7, Amanda Blessing 3.7, Sarah Thiel 3.7, Anna Rinehart 3.5, Robin Sands 3.5, Ally Wearin 3.4.

Middle School

Ella Coughlan 4.0, Camille Crenshaw 4.0, Emma Hite 4.0, Tyler Homan 4.0, Kade Kilgore 4.0, Haley Miller 4.0, Malichi Roberts 4.0, Renee Seal 4.0, Tori Suto 4.0, Steven Beckman 3.8, TJ Grote 3.8, Hadley Miller 3.8, Kendrick Stone 3.8, Rylee Wilcox 3.8, Austin Sykora 3.5, Madelyn Nelson 3.4.

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