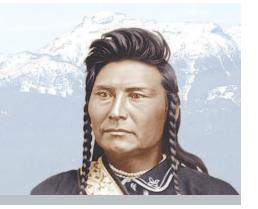
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ENTERPRISE GIRLS ROLL TO TOURNEY WIN

Enterprise boys lose to LaGrande in finals

By Tim Trainor Wallowa County Chieftain

The Enterprise girls stormed past two overmatched foes to win the Enterprise Winter Classic. Coach Mike Crawford

said he was pleased with the team's performance.

"I was just super excited about how we played," said Crawford. "There was a lot of good and not much bad."

They opened with a 59-6 win over a Pine Eagle team that brought just five players. Crawford gave all players considerable time on the floor, and sophomore Karli Bedard led all scorers with 9 points. Gracie Carlsen scored 8, as did sophomore Shelby Moncrief. The Outlaws were in charge throughout, leading 15-0 after the first quarter.

In the finals, the Outlaws (4-1) dispatched league foe Elgin 62-29.

Crawford said last year, the two squads played some tight games. But this year, Enterprise is more experienced and carry a deeper bench.

"You go through all those years where you don't have (a bench) and this year we've got one," Crawford

The 12-player rotation was led by Ashley Exon, who scored a team-high 15 points off the bench. Tiffanie George chipped in points and Darby Gassett added 8. Everyone on the team scored in the game, said Crawford.

The team travels to Pilot Rock this weekend, where they will play multiple games, including Condon/Wheeler and Mac-Hi. Crawford said that he thinks his girls can compete with any team, no matter if the school is 2A or 4A.

"I'm not really afraid of playing most any team," he said. "We've got decent size and speed and work hard."

The Enterprise (3-2) boys team lost in the finals of the home tournament, falling



Chris Bathke hangs in midair as he tries a jump shot against La Grande JV Dec. 10. La Grande won 53-41.

team Saturday night.

The Outlaws started fast, scoring the first three baskets of the game, but La Grande settled down and forged to a 10-8 lead after the first quarter. They led 24-13 at halftime and the Outlaws were never able to regain momentum.

Junior Brett Greenshields led the team with 10 points. Jimmy Wells added 7 points and Rylie Hayward scored 6. Braden Bell scored 10 points to lead La Grande.

Enterprise made it to the finals after skating to a 46-8 first round win over Pine

ward led the way with 11 points in that game. Kobe Ketcher and Trent Walker

each chipped in 8 points. The team travels to the Pilot Rock tournament this weekend.

At the Wallowa Lions tournament on Friday and Saturday, the Joseph Eagles girls continued their undefeated streak, winning games against both the Baker City junior varsity team 54-39 as well as Monument/Dayville 46-27. Coach Lance Homan was impressed with his team's performance.

53-41 to the La Grande JV Eagle. Junior Rylie Hay- "The most impressive thing that I see with them is that they play together and for each other, and that's been nice to see as a coach," he said.

Junior Alexis Sykora led the team in scoring on both nights scoring 24 points against Baker and 15 points Monument/Dayagainst ville. "She's been the leading scorer all year," Homan said.

The wins leave the Eagles 4-0 on the season. The team plays its first league games this week with a Dec. 16 game at Cove and a Dec. 17 contest at home with Powder Valley.

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ODFW RECREATION REPORT —

Fishing

Grand Ronde River: Steelhead season is in full swing on the Grande Ronde and anglers are finding fish consistently, with the most recent creel report indicating catch rates of about 10 hours per fish caught. Similar to other Columbia basin runs, the Grande Ronde stock is tracking below expectations this year. On the upside, a large majority of the returning fish are two-salt meaning larger average size. Harvest is limited to three hatchery steelhead per day and must be recorded on the Combined Angling Tag. A Columbia River Basin Endorsement is also required.

Imnaha River: Anglers are finding steelhead in the lower sections and some PIT-tagged fish have been detected in the river.

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Wallowa Lake: As the winter progresses the remaining stocked fish will begin switching to more natural food. Try natural baits and natural imitations to attract these fish. Bait should be either hung under a float or set just off bottom. Kokanee size appears to be improving with reports of

fish in the 8 to 9-inch range and some fish as large as 12-inches.

Wallowa River: Trout fishing should continue to be good through. Mountain whitefish are also very abundant in the Wallowa and are readily caught on small bead-head nymphs.

Steelhead season opened Sept. 1. Best fishing is in late winter and early spring. Harvest is limited to three hatchery steelhead per day and must be recorded on the Combined Angling Tag. A Columbia River Basin Endorsement is also required.

Hunting

Forest Grouse: Some ruffed grouse can still be found in draw bottoms with dense brush. Blue grouse are now moving up high into conifer trees to find buds to eat for the winter and so will be hard to find.

Cougar: Populations are moderate throughout Wallowa County. Most lions are taken incidental to other hunting. However, calling with fawn bleat, or locating a cougar kill and waiting for a cat to return are often successful techniques.

Coyote: Good numbers of coyotes can be found throughout Wallowa County. Calling coyotes with rabbit distress type calls has been effective for hunters. It is important to choose areas with abundant coyote sign and little human activity.

FRIDAY, DEC. 9 Girls Basketball

Monument/Dayville 33, Wallowa 31 Joseph 54, Baker JV 39 Enterprise 59. Pine Eagle 6 Bovs

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SATURDAY, DEC. 10 Girls Basketball

Baker JV 53, Wallowa 22 Joseph 46, Monument/Dayville 27 Enterprise 62, Elgin 29

Boys basketball Baker JV 44, Wallowa 35 Joseph 58, Monument/Dayville 31 La Grande JV 53, Enterprise 41

FRIDAY, DEC. 16 Wrestling

Enterprise and Joseph at Elgin

Invitational, 1 p.m.

Girls Basketball

Wallowa vs. Nixyaawii, 6 p.m. Joseph at Cove, 6 p.m. Enterprise at Pilot Rock Tournament

Boys Basketball

Wallowa vs. Nixyaawii, 7:30 p.m. Joseph at Cove, 7:30 p.m.

Enterprise at Pilot Rock Tournament

SATURDAY, DEC. 17 Wrestling

Enterprise and Joseph at Elgin Invitational, 10 a.m.

Joseph vs. Powder Valley, 4 p.m. Wallowa at Griswold, 4 p.m. Enterprise at Pilot Rock Tournament Boys Basketball

Girls Basketball

Joseph vs. Powder Valley, 5:30 p.m. Wallowa at Griswold, 5:30 p.m. Enterprise at Pilot Rock Tournament

MONDAY, DEC. 19 Girls Basketball Wallowa at La Grande Optimist

Tournament Boys Basketball Wallowa at La Grande Optimist Tournament

Eagles boys take two in tournament

By Steve Tool

Wallowa County Chieftain

The Eagles boys team doubled up on the girls winning efforts going 2-0 at the Wallowa Lions tournament on Friday and Saturday against the Baker junior varsity and Monument/Dayville by scores of 62-12 and 58-31 respectively.

The boys roared out of the gate in both games according to coach Olan Fulfer. "We were up 22-2 to start the game before we started going bench. We stalled out a little bit as the bench started to play more and more, but that's what we want, to get the bench in there and get their feet wet."

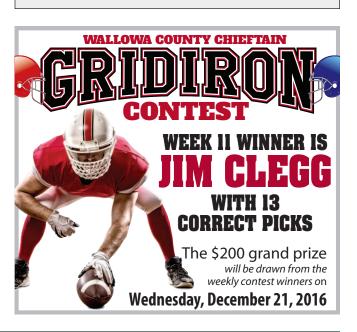
Cayden DeLury led the way with 16 points followed closely by Aaron Borgerding with 15 and Jake Chrisman with 14. "We did a good job spreading the ball out, and that's what we want to do,"

Fulfer said.

The Dec. 10 game against Dayville/Monument more of the same with the Eagles sauntering to a 35-10 lead by halftime. "I started mixing the bench in during the first quarter, and they played through most of the second half. They got to play, play, play, which was awesome," Fulfer said. He added he planned to do more bench substitution as circumstances allow in order to have a reliable bench to go to in lean times

DeLury again led all scorers with 16, followed by Borgerding with 11 points and Caevan Murray with 10.

The wins left the Eagles 3-1 overall. Joseph played Enterprise High School Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. followed by their first league contests at Cove on Friday at 7:30 p.m. and back on their home perch against Powder Valley on Saturday at 4 p.m.







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