



Tristin Bales gets ready to make a move to the basket during action Dec. 8 against Monument/Dayville in the opening round of the Wallowa Lions Invitational Tournament.

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Outlaws basketball off to good start

Wells, Walker among top boys scoring players

By Steve Tool
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Enterprise High School boys basketball got off to a 2-1 start last week, winning big over Wallowa 54-40 on Nov. 30 and shining in a 59-38 win over Ione on Friday.

The Outlaws then suffered a 59-49 loss to Irrigon on Saturday.

Coach Larry Wells was pleased with his team's performance.

In the Wallowa game, Jimmy Wells led the Outlaw scoring with 16. Trent Walker had nine points.

"We have 12 players and 10 scored," Wells said. "It's pretty good when you get 10 kids in the box score."

The Ione game saw Wells again leading the scoring with 14. Chris Bathke, Walker and Rylie Hayward each scored eight points.

"We had 10 guys score points again," Wells said.

"It was a pretty standard game with Ione, but Irrigon was pretty fast and athletic," Wells said.

"They were really stacked with seniors. It was the battle of the seniors in that game," the coach said.

Wells again led the scoring with 15, followed by Walker with 9. Bathke had 8.

"He did great," Coach Wells said. "He's a terrific defender too."

Nine players put points on the board.

Wells described the game as helter-skelter with both teams using the press to their advantage.

The Outlaws led by 10 at the end of the first quarter and by 2 at the half. By the end of the third, the team was down by 8.

"It was pretty well fought," Wells said. "It was closer than the 10-point spread. We gave them a few points at the end, trying to gamble and get ahead, but I'm proud of those kids."

The Outlaws play Friday and Saturday in the Pilot Rock Tournament in Pilot Rock. The girls hoops team also will travel to Pilot Rock. Opponents for both teams are yet to be determined.

Wallowa teams shine at tourney

Annual Wallowa Lions Tournament draws a crowd for both days

By Paul Wahl
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Wallowa High School girls varsity basketball team split the two games it played in the Wallowa Lions Tournament on Dec. 8-9.

The team was in it until the end in a game Friday against Monument/Dayville. The Cougars came out on the tail end of a 49-60 score.

Freshman Shanna Rae Tillery poured in 16 points for the Cougars, Jamie Johnston and Riley Ferré added nine each and Grace Pendarvis had six to lead the scoring.

Wallowa was plagued by fouls — three players were invited to sit on the bench during the game.

Coach Annette Moeller said the team

is making changes in its offense, and the learning curve has created the foul problem.

The Cougars walked all over Huntington on Saturday, finishing on top of a lopsided 56-9 score.

Wallowa also had defeated Huntington 21-12 on Dec. 1.

Moeller said she used the game as an opportunity to teach basics.

"Lots of players got playing time," Moeller said.

Johnston contributed 24 points to the victory, Tillery 8, Ella Moeller 6, Pendarvis, Rylee Goller, Ferré and Ashlyn Young four each and Samantha Wightman and Bailey Hafer each had two.

The Wallowa boys team won both of its matchups in Wallowa Lions Tournament action.

Friday the Cougars defeated Monument/Dayville 49-60 and Saturday the team trumped Huntington, 39-33.

Both teams begin league play on Dec. 15 traveling to Nixyaawii and hosting Griswald on Dec. 16.



Ashlyn Young dribbles through traffic during the Wallowa High School girls basketball matchup with Monument/Dayville on Dec. 8 at Wallowa High School.

SPORTS CALENDAR

ENTERPRISE WRESTLING

Dec. 15-16 — Enterprise completes in the John Rysdam Invitational in Elgin.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dec. 15-16 — Enterprise plays McLoughlin in the Pilot Rock Tournament in Pilot Rock. The team plays again on Saturday against an opponent yet to be determined.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Dec. 15-16 — Enterprise plays in the Pilot Rock Tournament in Pilot Rock.



JOSEPH WRESTLING

Dec. 15-16 — Joseph competes the John Rysdam Invitational in Elgin.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dec. 15 — Joseph vs Cove in Joseph, 6 p.m.
Dec. 16 — Joseph vs. Powder Valley at Powder Valley, 4 p.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Dec. 15 — Joseph vs Cove in Joseph, 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 16 — Joseph vs. Powder Valley at Powder Valley, 5:30 p.m.



WALLOWA GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dec. 15 — Wallowa travels to Nixyaawii, 5 p.m.

Dec. 16 — Wallowa hosts Griswold, 5 p.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Dec. 15 — Wallowa travels to Nixyaawii, 7 p.m.

Dec. 16 — Wallowa hosts Griswold, 7 p.m.



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