

OSAA goes digital with playoff tickets

WILSONVILLE — The Oregon School Activities Association is going digital with tickets to all postseason events.

Starting with fall playoffs — football, volleyball, soccer and cross-country — fans can go online and purchase their tickets in advance for events. They then will show their e-ticket at the gate when arriving for the event.

“Pre-sold digital tickets will take precedence over any potential walk up at the day of the event,” OSAA Assistant Executive Director Kyle Stanfield wrote in a new release. “It’s important that host facilities are prepared to take these tickets at the event.”

Though the digital tickets are preferred, fans can pay at the door if the game is hosted at a high school.

Once playoffs reach neutral sites (semifinals and finals), e-tickets will be the way to go. At the state finals, only digital tickets will be accepted.

“At OSAA State Championship events, there will be no cash transactions or point of sale system on site,” Stanfield said. “All people entering the event must have a digital ticket.”

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Outlaws:

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behind her was Michaila Caine in 21st with a time of 22:26.0.

Moody noted that Nordtvedt posted a time even better than he was hoping she would, that Stonebrink was running hurt and that Caine’s time was a two-minute improvement in two weeks.

Nevaeh James and Iona

McDonald finished together, placing 27th and 28th with respective times of 23:20.8 and 23:22.8. Also finishing was Isabella Brann, who placed 41st in 25:03.8.

The state cross-country meet will be run Saturday, Nov. 6, at Lane Community College in Eugene. The 3A boys meet is slated for 11:10 a.m.

“It’s looking really good. If I’m being completely honest, I didn’t think any group would top us when we won

thing that I’ve had to do for a while.”

spots to put more kids on all league,” Hite said, noting she could nominate just five players. “They all did great. Any one of the eight could have been an all-league nomination this year.”

Hite rounded out the all-league awards for the Eagles by being named coach of the year.

Wallowa, Enterprise both get two awards

The Wallowa Cougars got two players on all-league following a 6-15 season. Senior Haley Brockamp was selected to the OOL second team, and junior Libby Fisher was named honorable mention.

The Enterprise Outlaws also had two players on the all-Blue Mountain Conference squad after the team went 10-11 this season. Senior setter Rilyn Kirkland and junior outside hitter Maci Marr both were named all-league honorable mention.

Meyers:

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also brought the added component of being able to dig a kill attempt from the opposing team and keep the Eagles’ offense moving, and also could play attacker — whether she tried to slip a dump past the defense on the second touch, or swinging on a ball set by a teammate.

“She definitely is our glue that holds us together, for sure,” head coach Jill Hite said. “She’ll make any pass. She sets up those hitter really well.”

Meyers said she keeps an even keel approach on the floor, and has for years.

“I’m really good at keeping my composure, and I think that’s a huge role in being a setter,” she said. “I’ve had that sort of role for a while, since I was like in fifth grade, so it’s been some-

more had three aces as the Eagles turned a meager 5-4 lead into an 18-4 margin.

The final point of the 13-0 run brought a moment of humor to the match. Curry put a kill attempt off the head of a Days Creek defender that, even as the rally continued, set several Joseph players — especially Meyers — into a fit of laughter.

“I really was laughing hard, couldn’t focus, but pulled myself together and got through it,” she said.

Curry did finish the point off with a kill and a 14-point lead. Orr later had a kill to put the set away.

The Eagles appeared ready to put the match away easily, as Joseph on several occasions in the third set took an eight-point lead, the last on a kill by Orr that left the team two points from the victory at 23-15.

Days Creek put together one final salvo to not only get back into the set, but reach the cusp of a fourth set. Three kills and a block by Stufflebeam and consecutive kills by Lyris Berlingeri moved the Wolves

to within 24-23. A kill attempt from Nave went long to tie the match at 24-24, and after the teams tied at 25-25, McKenzie Park blocked the ball for the Wolves’ first — and only — lead of the night at 26-25.

The teams battled to a 27-27 tie before a kill by Berlingeri went long to give Joseph the lead back, and on the next point, the Wolves failed to handle a ball played over the net by Meyers, sending the Eagles on.

Curry finished with eight kills to lead the Eagles. Nave had six kills and team-high 18 digs and six aces, McKenzie Keffer had 15 digs and Meyers had 13 digs and 21 assists.

The victory set up another home match for the Eagles, who hosted North Douglas in the state quarterfinals Tuesday, Nov. 2. The Warriors swept Perrydale on Saturday and, like Joseph, entered the quarterfinals with a record of 24-3 overall. The teams last met in the postseason in 2017, with the Eagles taking down the Warriors in straight sets on the way to a third-place finish.



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Joseph’s McKenzie Keffer dives to save a ball during a match against Days Creek on Saturday, Oct. 30, 2021.

Joseph:

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“What’s really nice is when we can’t go one place, we can turn around and go to another place,” Hite said of the balanced offense, which has been one of Joseph’s strengths this season. “It’s nice to be able to have those options instead of just having one option like what we’ve had (in the past).”

Days Creek, which traveled almost 540 miles for the second-round match, made the first set somewhat interesting with a 9-1 run, getting within 19-15 on a kill by Bailey Stufflebeam. But Nave had four kills late, including the final one of the set for the 1-0 lead.

“I think we were playing really well in the first two sets because we all had confidence in each other, and were just having confidence in ourselves, and our serves were good,” Curry said. “We were just playing our positions.”

A serving run by Nave helped put the second set away in a hurry. The soph-



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