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SPORTS

White Buffaloes moving on

With just two more road trips and two more home games left for the White Buffaloes varsity basketball team and with at least two more wins, a ticket to the State AA basketball tournament is within in their grasp.

The Buffs returned home from what is known as the toughest trip for a team, a swing through eastern Oregon. On Friday night they were hosted by Nyssa where the Bulldogs always put up a tough battle with the Buffs. Friday night the Buffs coach had to reach into the bag for some magic tricks to pull this one out. After Roman Suppah and Jerome Davis fouled out late in the game, Madras was on the short end of the score when Blincoe turned to his bench for Phil Fine and Pat Short who came into the game to help the Buffs to a narrow

victory. Fine and Short did a good job in bringing the Buff's out and to victory. Late in the game the Buffs turned to the half court trap defense that put the pressure on the Nyssa team causing turnovers for the Buffs cause. The final score a close 46-43.

On Saturday night the Buffs saw limited action from Jerome Davis because of a thigh injury. Despite the short duration of his appearance, he managed to pull down eight rebounds and contributed seven points for the winning Buffs. Suppah had the hot hand to lead all scorers for the night with a total of 20 points. It was a good team effort especially from Phil Fine and Pat Short. Final score for the game was 65-58. After posting victories over Nyssa and Vale, the Buffs retain the lead in league standings with a 6-0 record, followed by Burns who are 5-1, Nyssa 3-3; Grant Union and Mac Hi each have 1-4 and Vale 1-5.

The Buffs travel to Milton-Freewater on the February 11 for a return game with the Mac Hi Pioneers who will have an eye on a big upset. On February 19 will make their appearance in Madras, but then the following week will be the big test for the Buffs as they meet the Burns Hilanders on their home court. Burns is always tough on their home floor and they will be looking for revenge at the loss to the Buffs earlier in the season.

Winding up regular league action Grant Union will come to town for the final game of the season. If everything goes well for the Buffs from here on out all the Buffs will make another appearance at the State Basketball tournament in March.



Davis is fouled by Burns' Todd McVay 42. Davis made the shot then the free throw. His speed inside was too much for the Hilanders. Davis and Roman Suppah combined for 49 of Madras' 65 points to lead Madras White Buffaloes to victory over the Burns Hilanders on January 29 giving Madras sole possession of first place in GOL league standing, 4-0 at that point.

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Peewees get experience

Hands on experience is what peewee basketball players are getting during their four week training session at Warm Springs Elementary school gymnasium. Coaches are working to help each child improve his or her ball handling skills.

Instead of just scrimmage coach Fran Moses assisted by Austin Greene is teaching these 7 to 12 year old youths basic skills to quicken the hands. "It develops hand-eye coordination" and "they're real enthusiastic about ball handling," Moses says.

"After a week of practice they've gotten better. Not just the big kids but the little kids, also," Moses explains. "They amaze me in how much they can do."

Hopefully the peewee basketball program will not end with the teaching of basic skills. Moses would like to continue the program with an intramural league. She hopes

to have the young basketball players in one game a week where all will get a chance to play and parents can watch.

Volunteer coaches are necessary to make such an intramural league possible. Moses feels these volunteers must be aware of what's behind the program, that is, teaching the children the game, coordination, ball handling skills and team work. Competition is not the point of basketball for these youngsters.

Along with an intramural program Moses is interested in training a little basketball club to perform aerobic ball handling to music. They would perform during tournaments or high school games at half time. Success in these plans will enable many young people to be involved in basketball. With 75 young people signed up for the four weeks of peewee basketball it's obvious there is a strong interest in Warm Springs in the sport.

Simnasho Mini-Marathon

Runs set for March 5

The Warm Springs 4-H Program announces that the 5th annual Simnasho 4-H Mini-Marathon has been set for Saturday, March 5, 1983. Both, a 6 mile and a 3 mile "Fun Run" will be featured in addition to the 14.5 mile run from Simnasho to Kah-Nee-Ta Village.

The mini-marathon is sponsored by the Warm Springs 4-H leaders Association as a fund-raiser. The 4-H leaders Association in Warm Springs annually provides scholarship money for reservation youth to attend 4-H camp and 4-H summer week and helps fund a demonstration trip to the Oregon State Fair for Warm Springs 4-H members.

Registration forms are

available from the Warm Springs office of the Oregon State University Extension Service, P.O. Box 428, Warm Springs, Oregon 97761, (503) 553-1161, ext. 238. There is a \$5.00 entry fee for all races if registrations are in by February 28; after the February 28 deadline the fee is \$7.00. Runners may register until 11:00 a.m. the day of the run.

All runners will receive a 5th annual Simnasho 4-H Mini-Marathon T-shirt, a swim pass at the Kah-Nee-Ta pool, and a drawing ticket good towards a chance at one of many items to be raffled. Divisional winners of the 14.5 and 6 mile runs in the 13 and under, 14-18, 19-29, 30-39, and 40 & over age categories will receive trophies. The winning male and female in the 14.5 mile will each

receive a weekend for two at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort.

Non-runners will have the opportunity to enjoy the unique atmosphere of Kah-Nee-Ta. Raffle tickets will also be on sale before the race to win one many donated prizes. Individuals or businesses who wish to donate to the raffle may do so through the Warm Springs Extension office. Names of all donors will be announced at the mini-marathon and in subsequent news coverage of the event.

The Simnasho 4-H Mini-Marathon is always a fun time for everyone. Bring the entire family.

For more information or to request registration forms write or call the Warm Springs Extension office.