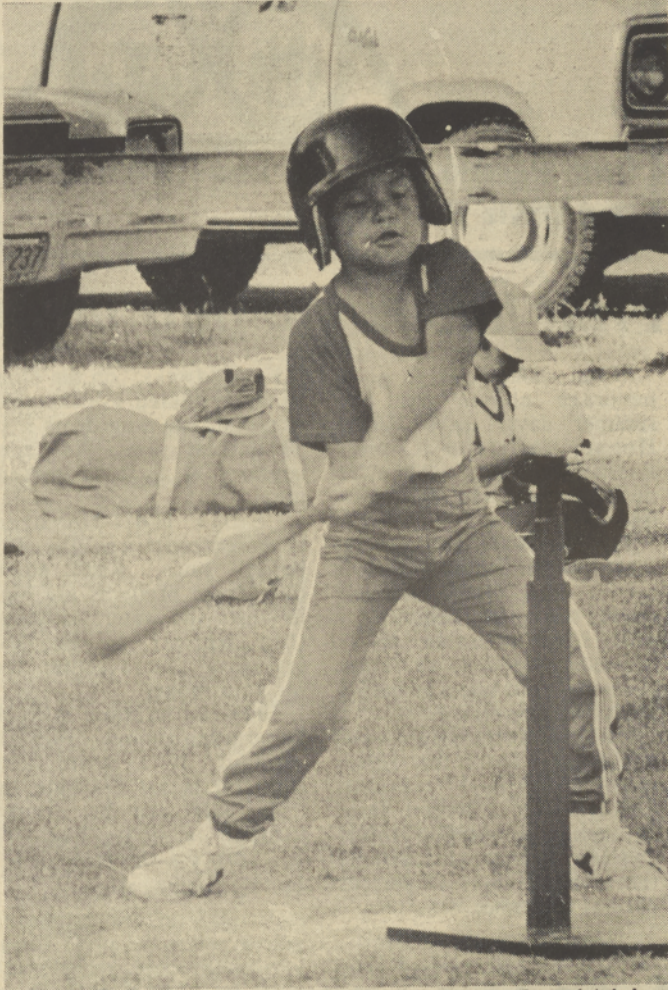


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## SPORTS



Spilyay Tymoo photo by Leno

### FULL CONCENTRATION

Ellis "Doobie" Langley, 7, a member of the Rat Pack T-ball team takes a good hefty swing during a recent game between the Rat Pack and Warm Springs #1. T-ball games can be a source of evening entertainment for fans on Tuesdays and Thursdays at various ball fields in the community.

## Girl's softball a "hit"

by Lolly Jackson

This year Warm Springs can boast two softball teams. Approximately 24 girls turned out for the summer league. This turnout is greater than last year's. Fran Moses and Julie Mitchell are the coaches of both teams.

Some of the girls who did play last summer are fairly familiar with practices, which consist of warm-up exercises and body-stretching enabling them to be more flexible for the fast action during the games and practice session.

Warm Springs #1, consisting of older girls 13-15 years of age,

has a 2-1 record. The one loss they do have is from Warm Springs #2. Warm Springs #2 has a perfect record. There are a total of five teams in the league, two from Madras, one from Culver and the two Warm Springs teams.

When the girls came out for ball, the major emphasis was on "sportsmanship," which helps the girls out alot building up morale and improving attitude toward their games. This year there are more play situations being used, this way the girls get to learn more advanced plays that are actually used in the games.

A good hit slugger on the #2 team is Christal Leonard. She

always manages to hit it out there and to bring in some runners. In tight game situations both teams seem to hold out good and they are close games. All the girls know what is expected of them.

All in all, both teams are starting to show how much they really enjoy playing softball. Each girl knows her position and plays well. The older ones are looking forward to the All-Star selection which will be in July.

Both teams play at least one game a week so if you have the time, come out and watch the girls in action.

## Treaty Days Rodeo June 25, 26

The eighth annual All-Indian Treaty Days Rodeo will offer a number of events for spectator and participant alike. A two-day rodeo held on June 25 and 26, a rodeo dance, a buckaroo breakfast and raffles will be held.

The two-day rodeo shows will start at 1:30 both days. Featured will be saddle bronc, bareback, bull riding, team roping, calf roping, steer wrestling, barrel racing and wild horse races. Tickets are on sale for \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12. Rodeo

books are open until June 22.

The rodeo dance will be held at Cliff's in Pine Grove with music by Ron Smith's band the Static on Saturday June 25, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Admission to the dance will be \$3 for single and \$5 per couple. Identification will be required at the door, no one under 21 will be allowed.

A buckaroo breakfast will be held on Sunday, June 26 at the Agency Longhouse from 6:30 to 10:00 a.m. Cost per plate for the breakfast will be \$3.

Raffles and gate prizes will be held at the rodeo on Sunday,

June 26. Tickets can be purchased from the Treaty Days rodeo princesses, Donetta Burns, Alfredine Smith, Debbie Still and Michelle Wells.

Mail rodeo entries to Ginger Johnson, Rodeo Secretary, P.O. Box 541, Warm Springs, Oregon 97761. Entries must be received by June 22 at 9 p.m. All monies must be paid by money order or cash, no personal checks will be accepted. Telephone entries to (503) 553-1698.

## Sports store growing by leaps and bounds

by Marsha Shewczyk

Appealing designs and reputation are the elements which attribute to the widely expanding privately owned Intertribal Sports business in Warm Springs.

Opened only 17 months ago, the athletic supply store may be making sales totalling over \$1 million within the next year. This success, manager Tom Estimo determines, "is due to giving the people designs they like."

"Our designs are favorable to the Indian people. Our artwork is done by Indians and we cater to the Indian people," explains Estimo.

Much of the business is done through mail order, generally from areas predominantly with native American cultures located in Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota. People in Alaska are also showing an interest in the Intertribal Sports designs as large orders are being made from that state.

Schools, teams and clubs are ordering jackets and other athletic apparel from Intertribal Sports. The quality of work is high and the cost is competitive. Normally, Intertribal Sports can deliver orders at a much faster rate than larger manufacturers which enhances the business.

Often "we're overloaded with work," says Estimo but that doesn't slow orders down. Another employee has been added to the staff and sometimes work continues into the night. Dedicated employees will reap the benefits as they are given a share in the profits made by the company.

The only thing keeping an order from being filled is not having the material to utilize. One order was recently detained because zippers were unavailable from the supplier. But once they had arrived, the work was completed and boxes of jackets put on the bus and shipped out.

Intertribal Sports boasts of having the largest volume sports store in Central Oregon. The shelves are well-stocked with all sizes. "We just don't know what people want and when they want it," explains Estimo, but it's necessary to have it available.

Besides selling athletic equipment and clothing, Intertribal Sports is expanding its dealing to underwriting sports events. The firm supplies awards, furnishes officials and gets a percentage of the money brought in. The idea behind it is to organize and present a professional event at a profit.

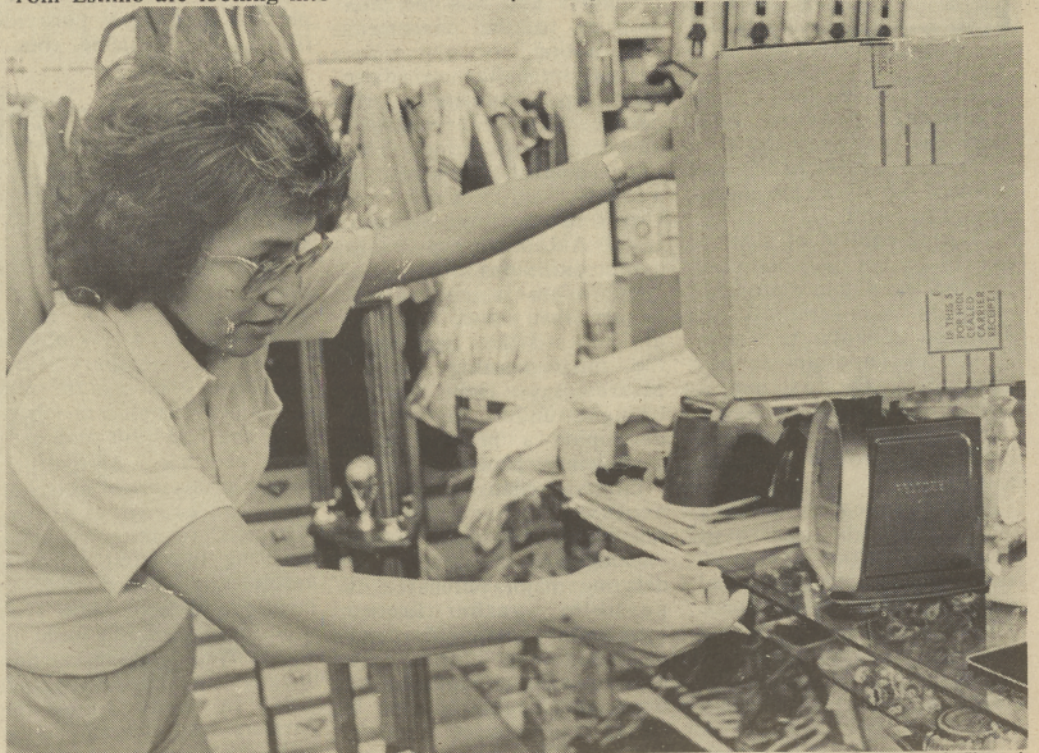
The next event underwritten

by Intertribal Sports in the National Indian Activities Association Basketball tournament at Reno, Nevada. Owners Madeline Queahpama and Satch Miller and manager Tom Estimo are looking into

underwriting other types of sports events as well, such as rodeos. The field of athletics has numerous aspects which Intertribal Sports wishes to utilize.

Pride in the privately-owned

business is expressed by all those involved and encouragement is extended to others who are thinking about opening their own businesses. Intertribal Sports is proof that it can be done.



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Intertribal Sports owner Madeline Queahpama weighs merchandise in preparation for shipment.