

Spilyay Tymoo

SPORTS



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The Klamath Raiders, winners of the elimination basketball tournament held November 23-25. Standing (left to right) Tony Williams, Darren Yazzie, David Rivard, Crayton Jackson and Ken Rivard. (Front Row left to right) Ronnie Wilson, Johanthan Crume, Donnie Wilson, Martin Witcraft and Abie Summers. The team earned a spot in the annual Holiday Basketball tournament on December 28-31.

Klamath wins elimination tourney

The Klamath Raiders were the winners of the elimination basketball tournament held on November 25, 26 and 27, gaining a spot in the Holiday Tournament, which will be held December 28, 29 30 and 31.

The Klamath Raiders will join teams who have committed themselves so far who are the Host Magpies, Oregon Travelers, Pendleton, 21st Century of Phoenix, Arizona, Yakima Players, Santa Clara, California, a team from Alaska, Lapwai, Idaho, Crow, Montana and Chico, California. There are more teams yet to confirm their entry for this year's tourney

In the championship game between Klamath and the Northwest Gym Rats, a team from the Yakima reservation, was a tough seesaw battle from the start to the finish. It was not until the final minute of play that the Klamath Raiders pulled the game out for the close win from a couple of costly turn overs and fouls.

There were four Klamath

players who hit in double figures led by David Rivards 23 points followed by the 21 points scored by Martin Witcraft. Others contributing points for the winning cause were Ken Rivard 14, Tony Williams 10, Ronnie Wilson 9, Crayton Jackson 8 and Donnie Wilson 6.

Wally Gladstone and Johnny Lay each scored 22 points to pace the losers. Tracy Otis added 19, Henry Strom 10, Noel Hill 6, and Jeff Smith 4 rounding out the Gym Rats scoring. The two teams were deadlocked at the end of the first quarter at 21 points apiece. The Gym Rats held a slight edge during half time 45-40, and led at the end of the third quarter 69-63. The Klamath team out scored the Gym Rats 28-14 in the final stanza giving them the winning margin with the final score 91-83 in favor of Klamath.

In the bid for third and fourth place, the Portland Chiefs bombed the Warm Springs Cougars 87-59. Portland led in each quarter

and were never in any serious trouble at any time. Vernon Otherbull led the Portland attack scoring 22 points, K. Lecompte 13, Sonny Harris 15, J. Cabanty 12, Farley Eaglespeaker 8, R. Galleges, J. Metcalf and B. Jackson each scored 4 points apiece.

Andy Leonard popped in 16 points to lead the Cougars scoring. There were 12 teams entered in the double elimination tourney where the Klamath team emerged first, Gym Rats second, the Portland Chiefs third and the Warm Springs Cougars fourth.

Selected to the all-star team were Ronnie Wilson, Klamath Raiders; Sonny Harris Portland Chiefs; David Rivard, Klamath Raiders; Dion Smith, Warm Springs Cougars; Tracy Otis, Gym Rats; Al Doublerunner, Yakima Bucks; Wally Gladstone, Gym Rats; Whitney Miller Warm Springs Cougars; Vernon Otherbull Portland Chiefs; Mark Witcraft Klamath Raiders. Witcraft was also chosen the Most Valuable Player.

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The following were selected to the all star team. Vickie Snyder, Portland; Robin Mack Portland; Marcia Minthorn, Warm Springs; Jonie Wallulatum, Warm Springs; Cathy Gottfriedson, Nisqually; Deane Johnson, Bravettes; Fran Moses, Bravettes; Arleta Dick, Pendleton; Breezy J., Chemawa and Kimiko Danzuka, Bravettes. Fran Moses was named the most Valuable Player of the tourney.

25 points. Mina Estimo added 11 points with five field goals and one out of three from the foul line. Kimiko Danzuka had 9, Tonya Mitchell 6, Sandra Shike 4 and Robin Mitchell 2, to round out the scoring of the Bravettes.

Lorie Case led the scoring for the losers with 15 points. Six field goals, one a three pointer and two of four from the free throw line. Vickie Snyder added 12 points, Robin Mack 11, Andrea Smith 6. Becky

Bravettes victorious

The Warm Springs Bravettes won the Thanksgiving girls basketball tournament with a field of six teams. The Bravettes beat the Portland girls team 63-47 for the championship. Warm Springs was third and Pendleton fourth. Other teams in the tourney were Chemawa and Nisqually.

Fran Moses led all scoring hitting nine field goals and seven out of nine from the free throw line giving her a total of

Boxers enter tourney

Three members of the Golden Eagle Boxing Club competed in the North American All-Indian Boxing Championships November 17-19 in Great Falls, Montana. Though none won any titles, all were defeated by boys who went on to take tournament championship title in their divisions.

This was 16-year-old David Lucei's first debut in a Senior Open tournament, boxing in the 119-pound division. "He did very well, even though he lost," said coach Ron Governor. "It was good experience for him" Lucei drew a bye the first night of the tournament. "The boy who beat him went on to win the championship. There is no shame going against a top fighter and losing."

Guy Herkshan, 18, went against Rex DayChief of Alberta, Canada, in his first contest of the tournament in the 156-pound division. Herkshan knocked out DayChief in the first round. "Guy really showed good—he was strong in that bout," said Governor.

On the second night of the tournament, Herkshan boxed against Rick LeFebre from Great Falls, Montana. "You would have thought that was a

championship bout," said Governor. "It was a real close contest—it could have gone either way." Herkshan was knocked down once, but got right up. LeFebre is a national championship title holder in his weight division. "There was no shame in losing that match," said Governor.

Nineteen-year-old Harold Pennington, boxing in the 165-pound division, was matched the opening night with Reginald Shakespeare of Ethete, Wyoming. Pennington out-boxed Shakespeare and knocked him out in the first round. Pennington had not boxed for 10 years and it was his first Senior division contest.

On the second night, Pennington met Wayne Bourque from Alberta, Canada. Bourque is a Canadian National Champion and toured Europe with the championship team. Pennington got knocked down in the second round of the bout. The referee stopped the contest.

"The team showed they went out to compete," said Governor. "They took the challenge and didn't hold anything out. The boys showed good sportsmanship and their conduct was good."



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Kanim Smith, 41, going up for two points as Whitney Miller moves in for a possible rebound. Randy Settler of the Yakima Bucks was unable to stop the play. The Bucks went on to win this game 90-78, but lost the second time around to the Cougars.