

## Boxers compete at Junior Olympics tourney

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We went to Pasco, Wash., on May 15-16 to take part in the region No. 37 Junior Olympics Boxing Tournament. Boxing teams from Idaho, Washington and Oregon brought their state champions to this step up competition.

If a 15 and 16 year old won at this level, they would then travel to Brownsville, Texas, to compete in the National Junior Olympics Boxing Tournament.

The 14 year old and under boxers will not be ready to advance to the nationals until they have won the regional tournament at the age of 15 or 16 years old. Only the 15 and 16 year olds advance to the national level.

I'm sure we should have had one boxer going to this tournament, but the judges weren't watching our boxer and I think they were watching their boxer working out already on his way to the next step at Brownsville.

Anyway we had some fun and saw some new country and listened to a "can't wait to tell" type person announce that the great Roy Jones Jr. finally got his wish. Jones beat the count, a fast count at that. However, it happened and there isn't much a person can rub salt into, is there? (If there is any salt left?) I like the sport, it's real and it has been around for a long time, pay-per-view or not.

On Saturday, May 15, Trevor Tewee boxed. There were three boxers in his 154 pound weight division, so their names were put in a hat and the first name that was picked would bet a bye, but it wasn't Warm Springs. So we got Trevor Tewee ready for the elimination bout with Raymond Solario, IRSA Boxing Club, Wash.

The boxing match was a good one, one of the best bouts I've witnessed Trevor in. He did good, he did real good, he out countered and landed a lot more scoring blows. It was a good bout, a hard fought bout by Warm Springs. Trevor will be 16 years old for the 2005 Junior Olympics, and a chance is all we want.

## Team travels to Quinault

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May 22, 2004 at Taholah, Wash., USA Amateur Boxing became real and the crowd loved it. We were part of the Quinault Nations boxing show that took place at their casino built on the beach. Sure is a nice place if you like to gamble, and boxing helped to install some coins in the machines of luck the night we were there.

The place was full and all the rooms taken. We boxing people had a room to rest in, but first we had our boxing to do.

Everyone made weight this time and some of us were in better condition, because we had rematches to do and we wanted to win, and seemed like we should have although like it often happens at the last second before the score is totaled the winner isn't always in the right corner. "I'd like to box him again at the Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days," are the words I heard from one of our boxers. So, I'm going to make that match.

Warm Springs 95-100 pound, Leander Smith vs. Andre Keyes of the Tacoma Boys and Girls Club "Boxing Club." This match was the only victory we had that night. It was a good non-stop boxing match, good moves by both boxers. At first he was quick but not so quick, as Leander made his mesh smaller with much leg movement, quick pivoting and he doubled up combinations whenever the opportunity was there. It was a good win for Warm Springs made by Leander Smith.

Jasper Smith had a rematch with the Boys and Girls Club of Tacoma, Wash. The boxer he beat for the Junior Olympics title at Pasco, Wash. The jab and constant movement to Jasper's right side is what kept him in the fight, and it got Marquis Weston of Tacoma the win. Now it's one and one for these two 14 year olds. Both of these young boxers did a good three rounds, and most likely will do it again.

Wesley Graybael boxed one of Central Oregon Boxing Club's returning 125

Wesley Graybael was our other 15-16 year old Warm Springs boxer, and he got a bye into Sundays championship finals. Wesley always has his 125 pounds in ready condition and he had a tough opponent to match. Domingo Zamudio, in the 15-16 year old 125 pound weight division from Pacific Northwest Boxing Club of Seattle.

This bout was a close fought boxing match. Wesley took a few hard shots in the first round; yet he seemed to understand the situation he was in, and came back with the angled jabs and right and left hand hooks and crosses. He didn't seem tired after the bout, just keeping his head up looking ahead, always have thoughts for the future.

Jasper 13-14 year old, 125 pound open junior weight division. Jasper was the luck of the draw and he got the bye for Sundays championship match against Marquis Weston of the Boys and Girls Club of Tacoma.

Marquis was a lot taller than Jasper, so Jasper had to work around the reach his opponent had, with good head movement and with set and ready counter punches, while applying pressure. This brought Jasper the victory and the 2004 Junior Olympic Championship for the 125 weight division.

Our lightest main man at the 101 pound weight division, Leander Smith, had another unopposed championship awarded to him, but for the Northwest Regionals this time. Yet for all his hard training we had to get him matched up with someone and we did. Gabriel Lopez from Boise, Idaho, wanted a rematch after losing to Leander at Burns. So we moved up one weight bracket and into the 13-14 year olds division and once again out-boxed the tall kid from the city of Lewis and Clark. It was a good match bout for both boxers and they'll most likely meet again. Well, we can say we were there at Pasco for the 2004 Junior Olympics Tournament. I'd like to say thanks to all those people who made it possible for our team to attend this sporting pleasure, and God bless you for being involved and displaying a winning attitude.

pound open boxers. Antonio Villanueva vs. Wesley Graybael, both went all three rounds and I think if these two box again it being a return match will help us be more aggressive toward the win.

Johnny Smith vs. A.J. Quachocho of the Boxing Academy, Seattle. Tough fight for Johnny but it wasn't an easy fight for Quachocho either. He had to fight or get knocked out, I think making it through the first round was A.J.'s victory. Trevor Tewee lost one very close match to a Central Oregon Boxing Club prospect, Matthew Alonso. I mean it was a very close bout. Hard fought by both boxers. Could have easily come our way.

This Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days Boxing is at 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 26, at the Warm Springs Community Center.

## Pi-Ume-Sha Rodeo ready to buck

The Warm Springs Rodeo Association will be presenting the Pi-Ume-Sha All-Indian Rodeo on June 26-27, at the Warm Springs Rodeo grounds. The action begins at 1 p.m. daily.

There will be a \$500 purse in each of the following events:

Saddle bronc, bareback, bull riding, calf roping, steer wrestling, senior barrels, breakaway, team roping, and century team roping.

There may be wild cow milking. The junior events include barrels and calf riding.

Stock contractor for the rodeo is Tygh Ridge Rodeo Co., and the announcer will be Jake Grossmiller.

Books open Monday, June 21, and close on June 22. Office hours are 6 to 9 p.m., call backs on June 24.

The phone number of the office is (541) 553-3044 (no collect calls, please).

This is an alcohol and drug free event.

### Horse race memorial

The Thurman Squiemphen Wild Horse Race Memorial will be in conjunction with the Pi-Ume-Sha Rodeo.

The prize for this race is \$3,000 added.

There is a \$150 entry fee, and 100 percent payout.

There is no contestant fee. There is a 32-team limit for this race.

Thurman Squiemphen was a rodeo rider. He rode in the wild horse races, and the saddle bronc competition.

He passed away in an accident last year.

The family put the memorial race together in his honor.

## Powwow includes softball competition

The Warm Springs ball fields will be the scene of the Pi-Ume-Sha Slow Pitch All-Indian Softball Tournament on Saturday and Sunday, June 26-27.

First-place team will receive championship jackets. Second-place team will receive runner-up jackets. Third place receives sweatshirts, and fourth place,

t-shirts.

There will be sportsmanship awards, All Stars, and Most Valuable Players awards.

Entry fee is \$275. A deposit of \$75 needs to be in my June 21. Cashiers check or money order payable to Sandra Greene-Sampson. Note: men's

teams are all Indian; women's will be open.

Tournament director is Jerry Sampson, at P.O. Box 847, Warm Springs, 97761. For information call Sandra Greene-Sampson at (541) 553-3601 (w).

## Little League, t-ball events on June 16

The Little League coaches recognition and barbeque will be on Wednesday, June 16, behind the Community Center. The schedule of activities is as follows:

The t-ball jamboree begins at 5:15 p.m. The barbeque starts at 6 p.m. This is for players, coaches and parents.

Award presentations begin at 6:30 p.m. The awards are for contributing

enterprises, volunteers and coaches.

The event is sponsored by Victims of Crime Prevention Program, and the Recreation Department.

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