

Pi-Ume-Sha Rodeo results

These are the results of the 2004 Pi-Ume-Sha Rodeo.

Saddle bronc: first, Devin Richter; second, Ground Split.

Bareback: first, Shawn Best Sr.; second, Freddy Warbonnet; third, Thomas Jensen.

Bull riding: first, Bobby Parrish; second, Danny Heemsah; third, Ground Split.

Steer wrestling: first, Frank Reese Jr.; second, Cort Herrera.

Calf roping: first, Preston Williams; second, Cort Herrera; third, Delford Johnson.

Barrel race: first, Deeann St. Andrews; second, Kima Flammond; third, Ashlee Strom; fourth, Jenna Johnson.

Breakaway: first, Ana Howard; second, Kate Valdez; third, Kima Flammond; fourth, Jackie Jim.

Team roping: first, Jerry Parrish and Bobby Parrish; second, JR Smith and Edison Yazzie; third, Roger Fiander and Denny Nagle; fourth, Roger

Fiander and Joe Moses; fifth, JR Smith and Terry Squiemphen; sixth, John Lavallie and JR Adams.

Century Team roping: first, JR Adams and Carson Badonie; second, Roger Fiander and Cort Herrera; third, Arlen Moses and Joe Moses; fourth, Roger Fiander and Joe Moses; fifth, Rick Watlamat and Lawrence Crawler; sixth, JR Smith and Edison Yazzie.

Calf riding: first, Sherria Sutterlick; second, Eddie Jones; third, Grant Meanus.

The Thurman Squiemphen Memorial Wild Horse Race: first, Jason Smith Team; second, Phil Squiemphen Team; third, Vernon Squiemphen Team.

Wild cow milking: first, Terry Squiemphen; no other qualifiers.

Junior barrels: first, Carlie Frazier; second, Kayonnie Badonie; third, Greg Strom; fourth, Danika Pimms.



Sid Miller, of the Warm Springs Rodeo Association, presents the first place award in the Pi-Ume-Sha Rodeo bareback competition to Shawn Best.

Columbia River fish commission has new officers

The Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission has elected its 2004-05 slate of officers to lead the Portland-based agency.

Harold Blackwolf Sr. of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs is the new CRITFC secretary. Blackwolf, immediate past chairman of the commission, also leads the Warm Springs' fish and wildlife committee.

Jay Minthorn of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, is the new chairman. Minthorn, former vice chairman of the commission, also chairs the Umatilla tribes' fish and wildlife committee and the Oregon Commission on Indian Services.

Allen Slickpoo Jr., of the Nez Perce Nation, is vice chairman. Slickpoo additionally chairs the Nez Perce's natural resources

subcommittee.

Virgil Lewis Sr., Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation, is treasurer. Lewis, former secretary of the commission, also serves on the Yakama Nation's fish and wildlife committee.

The commission's governing body comprises the fish and wildlife committees of the four Columbia River treaty tribes CRITFC serves.

CRITFC provides technical support and coordination for fishery-management policies of the Columbia River basin's four treaty tribes: the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, the Yakama Nation and the Nez Perce Tribe. Learn more about CRITFC and its member tribes online at www.critfc.org.

Fish sales through July

With a record run of summer chinook salmon returning to the Columbia River basin, fishers from the Warm Springs, Yakama, Umatilla, Nez Perce tribes are gearing up for over-the-bank public sales from now through July 31.

Tribal fishers are selling the fish at points along the Columbia River banks in areas including Marine Park in Cascade Locks; Lone Pine in The Dalles; North Bonneville, a mile east of Bonneville Dam; and Columbia Point in Washington's Tri-Cities area. Fishers will not sell sockeye salmon at this time, but tribal officials may authorize sockeye sales in the near future.

Summer Chinook, historically called "June Hogs" thanks to their jumbo size, typically return from the sea to freshwater in June and July. Biologists predict this year's run of nearly

103,000 summer Chinook will comprise the third largest since at least 1957.

Tribal fishers, however, plan a limited harvest of a little more than 5,000 summer Chinook.

"We're still in a conservative harvest framework," said fishery scientist Stuart Ellis of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission. "But this year's summer Chinook run provides enough fish to allow some reasonable opportunities."

The Indian salmon harvest reflects age-old traditions cemented by an 1855 treaty between the four Columbia Basin tribes and the U.S. federal government. Nutrient-rich salmon, flush with heart-healthy omega-3 fatty acids, figure prominently in native culture. Tribal members have long honored its importance for food, religion and livelihood.

Sockeye added to harvest

Add sockeye to the 2004 Columbia River Indian salmon harvest. With the tenth largest sockeye run returning to the Columbia basin since 1960, the Warm Springs, Yakama, Umatilla and Nez Perce have authorized over-the-bank sales.

The current summer commercial tribal harvest - most prominently including sockeye, chinook and steelhead - ends July 31. The bulk of sockeye sales will wind up during the next two weeks.

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Cascade Locks; Lone Pine in The Dalles; North Bonneville, a mile east of Bonneville Dam; and Columbia Point in Washington's Tri-Cities area.

Sockeye salmon, which typically return from the sea to freshwater in June through mid-July, boasted historical runs as large as 3 million fish. Biologists predict this year's run of about 115,000 sockeye will comprise the tenth largest since 1960 and the second largest in a decade. Tribal fishers, however, plan a limited harvest of a little more than 8,000 sockeye.

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Student uncovers ancient figurine during dig

MEDFORD (AP) - At first, archaeological student Christian Solfisburg figured he'd unearthed yet another rock during a dig in the upper Rogue River drainage. But then he looked closer.

Actually, he'd found a ceramic figurine of a human, broken off at the waist with two small arms, its facial features worn away by time.

The figurine was likely fashioned centuries ago by American Indians.

"It may not look like much, but it is the most complete figurine found in this region so far," said Mark Tveskov, associate professor of anthropology at Southern Oregon University, which sponsors an annual archaeological field school, along with the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

Tveskov told the Medford Mail-Tribune that it isn't yet known what the clay figure was used for.

"There isn't a lot of information in Indian oral tradition about these kinds of figurines," he told the newspaper. "It could be anything from a toy to a real sacred object. We don't really know."

He believes the site, about 1,500 years old, was a seasonal

camp with people traveling up from larger riverside villages. The inhabitants were probably upland Takelma or Mollala Indians, he said.

In addition to the figurine and remnants of stone tools, the site is also revealing evidence of how Indians managed their landscape, particularly with fire, Tveskov said.

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