

## 'Hotdog' remembered at rodeo

For the second year the Tygh Valley Rodeo will feature the Eliza Greene Redhouse memorial horse race.

The three-quarter mile race is set for the evening of August 21, and is open to ladies. First-place prize is \$1,500.

Eliza Greene "Hotdog" Redhouse was a rodeo champion, and her family is sponsoring this race in her loving memory, said her mother Neda Wesley.

She said the family is planning to sponsor the race for one more year following this year.

Along with the \$1,500, prizes are trophy (see photo at right), championship jacket, horse cooling blanket, saddle blanket, halter, racing bat and helmet cover.

The items are engraved in memory of Eliza Greene Redhouse.

There will be memorial race t-shirts for 150 spectators.

Neda Wesley said she and her family wish to thank Warm Springs Market and Kah-Nee-Ta for helping to sponsor the t-shirts.

The race is open but limited to eight riders.

Last year's winners were Charley Spino, Lucinda Heath



Wesley Redhouse, son of Eliza Greene Redhouse, shows the trophy that will be presented to the winner of the memorial race.

and Paulina Spino.

For information on the August 21 Eliza Greene "Hotdog"

Redhouse memorial race, you can call Neda Wesley at (541) 553-1538.

## Bighorn sheep tags available

Tribal members will have two exclusive opportunities to obtain 2004 bighorn sheep hunting tags within their ceded lands. The state of Oregon has set aside one tag for a tribal member to hunt in the Lower Deschutes River Canyon and another for a tribal member to hunt in the Lower John Day River Canyon.

Warm Springs tribal members may apply for one of the tags through the Natural Resources Branch headquarters beginning August 2. The deadline for applications is September 6 and the drawing will be September 8.

The Deschutes hunt is scheduled for mid-October and the John Day hunt will be in early November. Each tag allows the hunter to take one bighorn ram.

Tribal members 14 years of age and older are eligible to apply for the tags. Any applicant under the age of 18 must possess a hunter's safety card.

Last season Joel Santos became the first tribal member to obtain one of the exclusive permits and bag a bighorn. His successful hunt took place in the Deschutes Canyon below Sherars Falls.

Tribal officials are asking prospective hunters to make certain they want a tag before filling out an application. Last year a number of applicants were drawn, but later refused the tags.

Fish and Wildlife Manager Terry Luther is asking hunters to consider the challenges of bighorn sheep hunting before filing an application.

Luther said the John Day hunt is especially unique and demanding, so applicants should be aware of the trials awaiting them should they obtain a tag.

Bighorn sheep in the John Day Canyon are typically found on public land, but often times

the best land access to the sheep is through private property. Landowners often allow hunters to cross their lands, but the privilege is generally granted for a fee.

To access the productive sheep range hunters may be charged \$1,000 or more.

One alternative to paying an access fee is the John Day River itself. The river provides excellent public access for sheep hunters, as the sheep generally reside within the canyon corridor.

The river also presents a number of hurdles and necessitates the use of a boat or raft capable of negotiating whitewater and having the capacity to carry enough equipment for a multi-day excursion.

Tribal members hoping to obtain a bighorn hunting tag for the John Day should be prepared to pay an access fee, or possess the skills and equipment necessary to float the river.

A boat or raft would also be useful for Deschutes Canyon tag holders, but not essential. Some of the areas where sheep are located are accessible through public roads and public lands.

### Bighorn release anticipated

Tribal biologists have negotiated a second release of bighorn sheep on the Warm Springs Reservation. The release, scheduled to occur this winter, will augment initial reintroduction efforts that occurred in 2002.

Up to 15 bighorns, probably from the John Day band, will be released in the Mutton Mountains later this year. Details on the next phase of the bighorn reintroduction program will appear in the Spilyay as they develop.

## Junior rodeo action at HeHe

The Huckleberry Feast Junior Rodeo is set for Sunday, August 8. Prizes will be awarded to winners and participants.

The action starts at 1:30 p.m. at the HeHe arena.

The junior rodeo, along with salmon barbecue, are sponsored by the Warm Springs Rodeo Association, Kah-Nee-Ta, Warm Springs Power Enterprises, Warm Springs Forest Products Industries, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Warm Springs Composite Products and the Museum at Warm Springs.

Events include mutton busting and stick horse

race (5 years and under), pee-wee calf riding (6-8 year olds), junior calf riding (9-11 years), junior cow riding (12-15 years), senior cow riding (16-18), mane holt bareback (6-8), mane holt bareback (12-15), wild colt race juniors, wild colt race seniors and a wild horse race open jackpot.

Also: bronc riding (open jackpot), bareback (open jackpot), breakaway roping (18 years and older), and breakaway juniors.

And there will be horse shoe pitching and foot races. The contact people for information are Buzz Scott at 553-6833, or Carmela Scott at 553-1860.

## 4-H planning pasture work party

Young people who are members of 4-H will be holding a work party next week at the 4-H Tenino pasture.

The work project is in preparation for putting cattle on the pasture, located about a mile out Tenino Road past the tribal administration building.

The property is on the south side of the road. The work party is a 4-H project but everyone is invited to come and help. There will be a barbecue afterward.

The work party will be from 2 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, August 12. For more information call the OSU Extension Office at 553-3238.

## Simnasho Mustangs co-ed team places third

By Big Rat Suppah  
Coach

The co-ed 3-on-3 tournament was held July 17-18 outside the Rose Quarters in Portland. Our roster consisted of the captains Redsky Walker "Ice Man" Suppah and Rosey Two Stars "Swoosh" Suppah; C.J. "High Top" Easterling, AJA "Charm" Maldonado, and Craig "Sledge" Smith Jr.

The tournament began with quite a few teams. Our bracket had 16 teams. We ended up in the boys 13 and under elite division. I explained to the committee that we hadn't signed up for this division. There were some very unhappy teams, some demanding their entry fees back.

There was another team from Portland, the Flying Insects, who signed up for the 12 and under co-ed division, and got put in the same bracket as we did.

To satisfy the committee, they had us play each other. We

came out victorious, moving on in the bracket.

Our second game, we had the team beat, but we didn't protect our back door, and went down in defeat 16-11. Our team played great, being we were playing in an all boys bracket. There were centers 6'4" to 6'7" in our brackets. The team was given credit by their opponents, by not giving up.

In our third game we were victorious, giving us a 2-1 record for the first round. Craig Smith Jr. was unable to make the tournament, so we picked up Bob "Sugar Bear" Main Jr. for the second round, being he was 13 years old.

In our first game Sunday against the Aces, we won by forfeit, giving us a 3-1 record, making us the second seed in our bracket.

We got moved to the upper bracket for the play-offs. We played an all-star team, Bad Skillz from Salem. They had a center 6'4" and very physical.

We had to front-back him on defense, but he still scored at will. Our girls Rosey and AJA played tough defensively and offensively, setting some good screens, freeing the others to score.

We came out victorious 12-10, surprising them, moving us into the semi's, to championship, against the team that won the tournament.

Our game was tough from the beginning. Our girls ended up guarding their 6'7" center, who dominated the tournament.

He'd refuse the ball to score, block shots and assist his teammates.

We went down in defeat 16-3, giving us third place. I told the players, keep your heads up, they were in a tough bracket. Even the committee was surprised our team made the finals.

Good job to the Mustangs, for playing the game, not giving up or complaining about being put in the wrong bracket.

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