

# Soccer camp has British style

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Young soccer players of the reservation learned some new techniques recently from three players from Great Britain, where the game is called football.

The five-day camp was made possible through the tribal Diabetes Program, said Carolyn Harvey, Warm Springs community wellness coordinator.

She said that 42 young people were able to participate in the soccer clinic, held on the fields by the Community Wellness Center.

The weather was hot during the camp, but the players gave a great effort to complete the program. They drank a lot of water and rested in the shade during breaks.

The training itself included different kinds of soccer drills, geared toward the different age groups of youth who partici-

A favorite drill was one called crab soccer, where the players attempted to move soccer balls from one goal line to another, while coaches and some other players seated on the ground tried to steal away the balls. Of course, no hands were allowed to touch the balls.

The coaches of the camp were Anton Heffron of Scotland, Gareth Vaughn of South Wales, and Jennifer Rose Coleburn of England.

They were representing the British Soccer Challenge Sports Corp., which promotes the sport. The three applied to be a part of the clinic program, and were accepted. They stay with host families while in the U.S.

In all the Soccer Challenge program hosts camps throughout the U.S. In all, 70,000 kids take part in 1,500 camps each

As community wellness coor-



Above are the three British coaches who traveled to Warm Springs to teach a youth soccer camp. Their names are Anton Heffron, Gareth Vaughan (center) and Jennifer Rose Coleburn. In the photo at left, young soccer players at the camp take part in a training exercise called crab soccer.

dinator, Carolyn Harvey sent letters to members of the Warm Springs community, asking if people might be interested in having a soccer camp at Warm Springs. The response was positive, said Harvey.

The Soccer Challenge camp

in Warm Springs was made possible by the Diabetes Grant. Warm Springs Composite Products and Warm Springs Forest Products Industries also helped.

This was the first time that a Soccer Challenge camp was held in Warm Springs.

### Around Indian Country

#### Yakama detention center investigated

TOPPENISH, Wash. (AP) -The Bureau of Indian Affairs has been investigating the suicide of an inmate at a Yakama tribal detention center where the man's body was left hanging in his cell for at least five hours.

The inmate, Ricky Owens Sampson, died June 25 when he hanged himself in his cell at the detention center on south-central Washington's Yakama Indian Reservation. His body was left hanging - long enough for rigor mortis to set in - because the jail had just one staffer on duty that night, jail supervisor Ned Tillequots said.

Tribal officials expect a report from the investigation soon.

Nedra Darling, an Indian affairs spokeswoman for the Department of the Interior, confirmed an investigation was uncomment further Friday.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs operates detention centers and funds tribal-run jails.

Sampson, 40, was being held for investigation of violating a domestic-violence no-contact order, Tillequots said. He was accused of violating the order again while in jail and was moved to an isolation cell in the former juvenile wing.

Sampson was not on suicide watch and hanged himself in a part of the cell not monitored by cameras.

Family members believe Sampson was left hanging for much longer than five hours, and tribal Police Chief Elliot Lewis said they might file a lawsuit. "I'm concerned about how long he was left," Lewis said.

The suicide occurred two der way but said she could not days after the inspector general

for the U.S. Department of the Interior criticized Indian country jails in testimony before Con-

"BIA's detention program is riddled with problems and, in our opinion, is a national disgrace, with many facilities having conditions comparable to those found in Third World countries," Inspector General Earl Devaney said.

An investigation Devaney's office found a disturbing record of suicides and escapes, many of them unreported to the BIA. His office released portions of the investigation in April; a full report is expected later this summer, said spokeswoman Pam Boteler.

The U.S. Department of Justice also recently visited the Yakama jail to investigate conditions, Lewis said.

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### Northern California's coho salmon now on endangered species list

(AP) - Northern California's struggling coho salmon population will get an extra layer of protection from the state's Endangered Species Act.

The state Fish and Game Commission voted Thursday in Bridgeport to place coho salmon from San Francisco to Punta Gorda in Humboldt County on the state's "endangered" list. Coho from Punta Gorda to the Oregon border will be designated as "threatened."

"It was time to bite the bullet here and list the species as endangered," said Sam Schuchat, commission vice president. "We're down to thousands of fish. If we hadn't done what we did today, the species is going to wink out of existence and be gone forever."

Environmentalists who pushed for the listing hailed the vote, which now mandates that loggers, farmers and other developers seek special permits before embarking on projects that might harm the once-abundant fish.

From San Francisco to Oregon, the coho population has plunged 70 percent since the 1960s, and is estimated to be just 6 percent to 15 percent of its 1940s level despite the release of millions of hatchery-raised fish, according to the commission.

Commercial harvests dropped off dramatically in the 1970s.

In 2002, the state Department of Fish and Game released a comprehensive review

pending extinction and recommending the protections.

In February, the commission

on the coho, warning of im- approved a \$5 billion, 25-to-30year plan to revive the species and restarted the process to seek protections.

