

## Stacona named to all-conference first team

Northwest University junior Mariah Stacona was named to the 2017-18 All-Cascade Collegiate Conference first team.

A 2017 honorable mention, it is the first time for Stacona on the All-CCC first team, as she led the conference, and nation, in steals and steals per game the entire year.

Ms. Stacona averaged four steals per game, totaling 116 takeaways.

She was also ranked thirty-sixth in the NAIA in assists per game—four—and total assists—116.

Mariah was sixth in the CCC in scoring with a 15.1 points per game average, and now has 970 career points.

Mariah's teammate Miranda Langenhorst was also named to conference first team.

She was seventh in scoring, right behind Stacona, with a 14.7 points per game average, with 944 career points.

Said Northwest University head coach Ken Crawford, "I could not



Courtesy Northwest University

Mariah Stacona, 2015 Madras High graduate, is an All Cascade Collegiate Conference first team player.

be prouder of the accomplishments of both Mariah and Miranda in being recognized as first team All-CCC.

In a difficult season where all of us were challenged to do our very best, this award is recognition of

their effort and their skill. They are great examples of our team's persistence and perseverance."

## W.S. Nation Little League taking sign-ups

Warm Springs Nation Little League is taking signups for baseball, softball and t-ball at the Community Center.

Sign-up at the center Monday through this Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Cost is \$25 for individual, \$35 for family. All proceeds go toward fees and uniforms.

Volunteer coaches and umpires are needed too.

The first day of practices will be March 20.

Coming up in **Madras High School sports:** On Tuesday, March 20 the JV and varsity softball have home games at 4 against Sisters. The baseball teams play at Sisters. Girls Tennis is at home at 4. Boys tennis travels to Redmond High School.

## Winners at 6th, 8th grade tourney

The Magical Moves were the sixth-grade champions, and the team by the same name Magical Moves won the eighth-grade division at the Warm Springs Sixth and Eighth Grade Co-Ed tourney.

In the sixth-grade division the runners up were the Warm Springs Cougars. Finalists were the Red Nation and White Swan.

In the eighth grade division the runner up was Chiloquin, and Finalists were the Warm Springs Cougars and the Running Rebels.

Sixth-grade All Tourneys: Magical Moves, Skytus Smith and Sasha Esquiro. Warm Springs Cougars, Kayln Leonard and Dayson Begay. Red Nation, Chamille Smith and Chad Tewee. White Swan, Trin-

ity Wheeler and Stowhi Lewis. Sweet Cheeks, Isiah Florendo and Kalissa Smith. Squatch Hunters, Mathew Stywer and Jessica Johnson. Magical Moves, Gruner Bailey and Talise Wapsheli. Warm Springs Cougars, Fallon Garcia and Seneca Ball.

Eighth-grade All Tourneys: Magical Moves, Bee Peters, Chloe Peters, Tyrin Garcia and Skytus Smith. Klamath Tribe, Sandra, Isabelle, Scotty Riddle and Vagn Watah (some last names not available.)

Running Rebels, Coreena Stywer, Alexis Martinez, Avon Garcia and Damon Garcia. Warm Springs Cougars, Shantell Harry, Jazell Allen, Mason Strong and Aaron Culps.

## CRITFC announces tribal fishery

The Four Columbia River Tribes set the following fishery plan, and the Columbia River Compact concurred:

### Commercial gillnet fishery

Area: John Day Pool only. Dates and times: 6 a.m., Thursday March 15 to 6 p.m. Saturday March 24, for a total of 9.5 days.

Gear: Gillnets with no mesh size restriction.

Allowable sales: Sturgeon from 43 to 54 inches fork length, salmon (any species), steelhead, walleye, bass, carp, catfish, shad, and yellow perch may be sold or kept for subsistence purposes.

Fish landed during the open period are allowed to be sold after the period concludes.

Sanctuaries: River mouth and dam closed areas applicable to gillnet gear are in effect.

If there are fish remaining on the Commercial Guideline additional fishing time will be sched-

uled in the future.

### Area: The Dalles Pool only

Dates and times: 6 a.m. Thursday March 15 to 6 p.m. Monday, March 19, for a total of 4.5 days.

Gear: Gillnets with no mesh size restriction.

Allowable sales: Sturgeon from 43 to 54 inches fork length, salmon (any species), steelhead, walleye, bass, carp, catfish, shad, and yellow perch may be sold or kept for subsistence purposes.

Fish landed during the open period are allowed to be sold after the period concludes.

Sanctuaries: River mouth and dam closed areas applicable to gillnet gear are in effect.

If there are fish remaining on the Commercial Guideline additional fishing time will be scheduled in the future.

### Commercial sturgeon harvest guidelines

Bonneville: 325. The Dalles: 415.

John Day: 210.

### Zone 6 platform and hook and line fishery

The current regulations for the Zone 6 platform and hook and line fisheries remain unchanged.

The above information is from the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission. Individual tribes determine actual fishing regulations for their members. Copies of regulations are available from the tribal fishery department.

If you have any fishing enforcement problems or need assistance or information, day or night, contact the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fisheries Enforcement Office, 4270 Westcliff Drive, Hood River. Phone 541-386-6363 or toll-free 800-487-FISH (3474). Show pride in your tribe's treaty rights by carrying your tribal ID. Please consult the tribal fisheries department for additional details on tribal regulations: 541-553-2039.

## MHS sports notes

In Madras High School sports: this Friday, **March 16:** JV and varsity softball have games at 4 at Mountain View.

On Saturday, **March 17:** JV and varsity baseball have home games against Mountain View at 1.

On **March 19** boys tennis will be at home with matches starting at 4. Girls tennis will be at Ridgeview.

## No smelt in Cowlitz this season

The smelt season on the Cowlitz didn't happen this year.

The Confederated Tribes opened a season, but apparently no one caught any smelt.

Meanwhile, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife closed the recreational smelt season on the Cowlitz.

There were far too few smelt returning to the Cowlitz to allow for a season, the state officials determined.

This was the first time in five years that there was no smelt dip netting on the river.

A commercial test fishery conducted in February in the Columbia River showed that area smelt abundance was too low to warrant a recreational fishery.

Smelt were listed in 2010 as a threatened species from Washington state to the Mexican border under the federal Endangered Species Act.

## Growing impact of sea lions

A new study from the Northwest Power and Conservation Council reveals that Sea lions consumed 9 percent of an already-low steelhead run at Bonneville Dam in 2017. That is of top of a sea lions eating their fill of spring Chinook, sturgeon, and lamprey.

From May to early June of

2017, sea lions consumed an estimated 1,800 adult salmonids. That is more than three times the ten year average for the same time period, according to the study.

From January 1 to June 2 of 2017, sea lions consumed an estimated 5,000 adult salmonids at the dam.

## Klamath Chinook possible ESA listing

Federal fisheries officials said last week they will consider putting the Pacific Northwest's once-flourishing wild spring-run Chinook salmon on the list of threatened or endangered species.

The National Marine Fisheries Services plans a 12-month review on whether to give protected status to the salmon in and around the Klamath River.

California's Kuruk tribe, which joined the Salmon River Restoration Council environmental group in petitioning for more protections for the fish, say the species is nearly extinct throughout much of its range in Oregon and Northern California.

The tribe blames Klamath River dams for blocking the fish from their spawning grounds.

## At state tournament



Jayson Smith/Spilyay

Congratulations to the eighth-grade Madras girls basketball team, runners-up at the State basketball championship. Nice job, girls!

## Community notes...

The Warm Springs Culture and Heritage Language program is looking for volunteers to help chaperone, coach, judge and assist at the 2018 **Language Bowl** in May at the Wildhorse Resort. To learn more call Culture and Heritage at 541-553-3290.

Four Madras High School students are raising money for their trip to visit Madras' sister city, **Tomi City, Japan**, this June. They are selling tickets for their Sister City Mega Prize Raffle. Tickets can be purchased from the stu-

dents: Daisy Tewee, Tyreke Ramsey, Osmar Rodriguez or Jessica Geigner; or at the Jefferson County Chamber office. You can all call Jason at 541-777-1252.

The drawing will be done on April 4.

Jefferson County **Relay for Life team captains** meet the first Monday evening of each month at the Jefferson County Senior Center at 6:45. The Relay for Life will be July at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds in Madras.

The Warm Springs Health and

Wellness Center Employee Appreciation Committee is having a **food drive** to benefit the Warm Springs Food Bank at the Presbyterian Church.

The community is asked to donate non-perishable food items. There are donation boxes placed in each pod at the clinic. They are taking donations until March 30.

The Second Annual Warm Springs **Healing our Spirits & Lands** Round Dance is coming up March 30-31 at the Community Center. There will be sweats, feast and pipe ceremonies.