



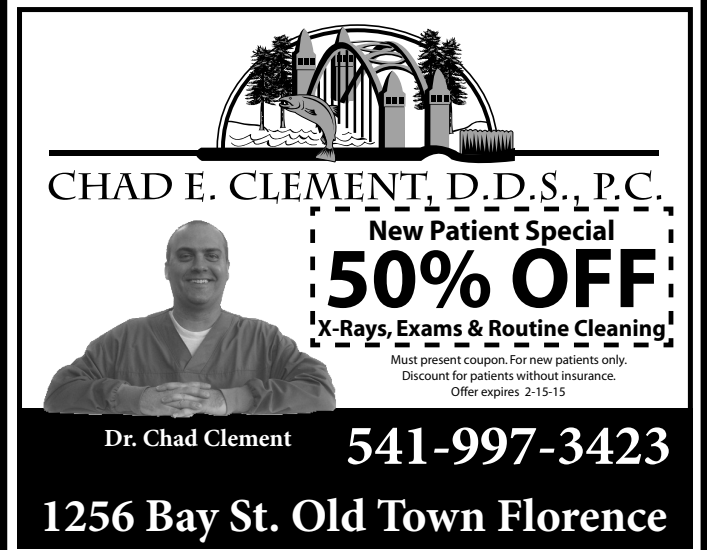
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Annual Fly Fishing Expo in Reedsport Feb. 28

REEDSPORT—The Lower Umpqua Flycasters, an area member Club of the Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF), will be holding its 25th annual Fly Fishing Expo at the Reedsport Community Charter School Cafeteria, South 22nd Street in Reedsport, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 28.

Admission to the Expo is free to the public.

Special features include

demonstrations and programs on various aspects of fishing, fly tying and fly casting; equipment displays, informational displays by various stream and fish enhancement groups, a concession stand with meals and snacks available, and raffle drawings each hour all day.

Presentations begin at 10 a.m. and include: Dean Finnerty on Smallmouth Bass and Shad fly fishing and Lloyd

Thurman speaking on Dune Lakes.

This year, the Expo includes a special showing of “Mending the Line.” This documentary tells the extraordinary story of Frank Moore, a 90-year-old WWII veteran and fly fishing legend, and his return to Normandy to fish the rivers he saw as a soldier.

This award-winning film was released in spring of 2014

and will be available at the Expo.

This is the only event of its kind on the south and central Oregon coast. The Expo is free to the public, with the purpose of promoting conservation and introduce the sport of fly fishing to adults and young children.

For more information, contact Robert O’Byran at 541-759-2526.

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defenseless player, which is deemed unnecessary or excessive and which incites roughness.”

Bob Colgate, director of sports and sports medicine at the NFHS and editor of the NFHS football rules, noted that an example would be when a defensive player who is not in the vicinity of the ball is “blindsided” by a blocker on the offensive team.

Another change with a focus on risk minimization is a revision of the spearing rule — one of several examples of illegal helmet contact listed in Rule 2-20.

Spearing is now defined as “an act by any player who initiates contact against an opponent at the shoulders or below with the crown (top portion) of his helmet.”

With “targeting” now defined as contact to an opponent above the shoulders, the committee more clearly defined “spearing” as contact to an opponent at the shoulders or below. Colgate said the implementation of the first spearing rule in 1971 has played a significant role in reducing injury in high school football.

“The committee spent considerable time discussing and clarifying expectations related to contact involving any player that is deemed excessive or unnecessary — including spearing — that may occur during play,” said Brad Garrett, chairman of the NFHS Football Rules Committee and assistant executive director of the Oregon School Activities Association. “Minimizing risks to players involved in these sit-

uations must remain at the forefront of the game.”

In other changes, the rules committee revised the 2014 rule change regarding free-kick formations. A new Rule 6-1-4 was added to state that the timing of the foul for not having at least four players on each side of the kicker now occurs when the ball is kicked.

A change also was made in the listing of penalties in Rule 9-4, Illegal Personal Contact. Beginning next season, an automatic first down will not be awarded for a 5-yard incidental face mask penalty against the passer. Previously, this violation was included in the penalty for roughing the passer, which calls for a 15-yard penalty and an automatic first down.

The rules committee also approved new language in Rule 10-2-5 regarding the enforcement of dead-ball fouls. The distance penalty for unsportsmanlike, non-player or dead-ball personal fouls committed by teams can offset.

Equal numbers of 15-yard penalties by both teams will cancel and remaining penalties may be enforced.

The final change approved by the Football Rules Committee related to a series of downs. A new Rule 5-1-1b will read as follows: “The referee shall have authority to correct the number of the next down prior to a new series of downs being awarded.”


A complete listing of all rules changes is available on the NFHS website at www.nfhs.org.

According to the 2013-14 NFHS High School Athletics Participation Survey, football is the most popular sport for boys at the high school level with 1,093,234 participants in 11-player football.

Another 28,790 boys participated in 6-, 8- and 9-player football.

In addition, 1,828 girls participated in football during the 2013-14 season.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Jose DelaMora

Siuslaw H.S. Vikings Wrestling

The Viking 120 pounder won three of four matches at last week’s Far West-Skyline Regional wrestling meet to finish third place in his weight class and earn a berth in the 4A State Wrestling Tournament. All three of DelaMora’s wins were by pin, his only loss was to the eventual district champion.

Honorable Mention Destinie Tatum

The Sophomore led statistics for the Lady Vikings last week in a loss to the Brookings-Harbor Bruins with 16 points and 15 rebounds.

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COAST RADIO Sports

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freshman Ricky Huff, who ranked fifth at 106 pounds; junior Jose DelaMora ranked fifth at 120 pounds; sophomore Kainan Lane ranked second at 220 pounds; and junior Dylan Jennings ranked fourth at 285 pounds.

Huff opened the tournament with a pin in his first match, but was pinned in the third round of his second match. He came back to win his next match and eventually went 3-for-2, earning him fifth place — one spot away from a state seed.

“Ricky had a tough bracket, with two wrestlers ranked among the state’s top four,” said Wartnik. “He was disappointed but put things in perspective and learned what he needs to do to get to that next level.

“He’s got a great attitude and it will serve him well over the next three years.”

At 120 pounds, DelaMora wrestled four matches, pinning his first opponent in the first round. In his next match, he faced Tyler Campbell, a wrestler with a 40-4 record and ranked No. 2 in the state. DelaMora found himself trailing 5-0 before nearly getting Campbell in a cradle.

“He was definitely sweat-

ing,” Wartnik said of Campbell, who managed to escape and win the match.

DelaMora went on to pin his next two opponents for a total of 20 pins for the season, and third place at the regionals for a trip to state.

Senior Maverick Michael, wrestling in only his second tournament of the season, “came in big and had a tremendous impact on the team,” Wartnik said of Michael, who narrowly lost his first match but won his next two by pin.

His performance earned him a chance to compete for a state seed in his final match of the day — and an unfortunate loss.

After getting a takedown and a lead late in the match, his opponent scored an escape. Michael went for another takedown but got his opponent into a head-and-arm instead, threatening to win by pin.

On the next mat, the official blew his whistle. Michael, thinking it was for his match, let up on his opponent, who then scored on an escape to win the match.

“It was a tough one to take, but Maverick showed a lot of poise,” said Wartnik. “He did a great job.”

Junior 182-pounder Cody Wells was winless on the day after going two-and-out, “but he came away with a vision for next year,” said Wartnik. “He

grew a lot this season and has a definitive idea of what it will take to get to the next level as a senior.”

At 220 pounds, Lane, who had been sick the last two weeks, got a first-round pin in his opening match. He lost the next match, then found himself down by five points in his third match of the day as the clock was winding down.

“He was on his back, and I turned to one of my coaches and told them it was over,” said Wartnik. “When I turned back around, Kainan had his opponent in a bridge and went on to win the match.

“That definitely taught me a lesson.”

Though Lane lost his consolation finals match in overtime, he earned himself a wrestleback against Tyler Palmer — a nemesis from Douglas who he had wrestled four times last season.

“In there last match, Palmer messed up Kainan’s ankle very badly and he spent the next eight months recovering from it,” said Wartnik. “Kainan had a score to settle and he demolished Palmer before pinning him.”

The win earned Lane fourth place overall and the No. 4 seed heading to state.

At 285 pounds, Jennings easily won his first match by pin, moving him on to the semi-finals where he faced the No. 1 seed, who had lost his first match of the day. Jennings got to within two points, 7-5, before eventually losing the match as time ran out.

Like Lane, Jennings got a second life after earning a wrestleback opportunity, which he won to finish fourth and a state seed.

“It was a great showing for us,” said Wartnik, who gave his team Monday off before hitting the mats again this week in preparation for state. “I don’t know if we will bring back hardware, but we are certainly capable.”

The state wrestling tournament will take place Feb. 27-28 at Memorial Coliseum in Portland.

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