

## SCHEDULE

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 13**  
**Girls basketball:** Central at Dallas, 7 p.m.  
**Wrestling:** South Albany at Central, 7 p.m. Dallas at Woodburn, 6 p.m.

**THURSDAY, JAN. 14**  
**Men's basketball:** Western Oregon at Simon Fraser, 7 p.m.

**FRIDAY, JAN. 15**  
**Boys basketball:** Central at Crescent Valley, 7 p.m. Dallas at South Albany, 7 p.m. C.S. Lewis at Falls City, 7 p.m. Crosshill Christian at Perrydale, p.m.

**Girls basketball:** Crescent Valley at Central, 7 p.m. South Albany at Dallas, 7 p.m. C.S. Lewis at Falls City, 5:30 p.m. Crosshill Christian at Perrydale, 5:30 p.m.  
**Wrestling:** Central at Oregon Wrestling Classic, TBA.

**SATURDAY, JAN. 16**  
**Men's basketball:** Western Oregon at Western Washington, 7 p.m.  
**Women's basketball:** Montana State Billings at Western Oregon, 2 p.m.

**Wrestling:** Central at Oregon Wrestling Classic, TBA. Dallas at Southridge, 10 a.m.

**TUESDAY, JAN. 19**  
**Boys basketball:** Lebanon at Central, 7 p.m. Corvallis at Dallas, 7 p.m. Willamette Valley Christian at Falls City, 7 p.m. Jewell at Perrydale, 7 p.m.  
**Girls basketball:** Willamette Valley Christian at Falls City, 5:30 p.m. Jewell at Perrydale, 5:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 20**  
**Girls basketball:** Central at Lebanon, 7 p.m. Dallas at Corvallis, 7 p.m.  
**Wrestling:** South Albany at Dallas, 6 p.m.

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**Schedules Subject to Change**

## QUICK HITS

### Cross Creek to host tournament

**PERRYDALE** — Cross Creek Golf Course will host the 14th annual Brockway Memorial Golf Tournament on Feb. 6. The two-person scramble will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Cost is \$45 and includes green fees, hole prizes and tee prizes.

A player does not need a handicap. The tournament is open to men, women and mixed teams.

The tournament is dedicated to Marius "Brock" Brockway, who died in 2013.

A portion of each entry will be dedicated to the OGA Junior tournaments held each year at Cross Creek.

For more information or to sign up: 503-623-6666.

Registration and payment must be received by Feb. 4.

## STAT SHEET

**5** The number of wins in a row Perrydale's girls basketball team has racked up. The Pirates' last loss came on Dec. 22. Perrydale entered the week in second place in the Casco League.

**1** The number of wins Dallas' and Central's girls basketball teams had against each other last season. The rivals play Wednesday (today) at 7 p.m.

## WESTERN OREGON MEN'S BASKETBALL

# Avgi thriving as leader of the pack

**By Lukas Eggen**  
 The Itemizer-Observer

**MONMOUTH** — Playing in front of more than 1,000 fans, Western Oregon's men's basketball team defeated Saint Martin's 74-61 on Saturday.

The game, which was televised on Root Sports, came on the heels of a 96-90 overtime win over Seattle Pacific on Thursday.

Senior Andy Avgi scored 34 points against Seattle Pacific and 24 points against the Saints as the Wolves extended their win streak to three games.

"I love it when the fans

come out," Avgi said. "It definitely pumps us up and helps with the energy a lot."

Avgi, the reigning Great Northwest Athletic Conference Player of the Year, has once again stepped into a leading role for the Wolves. He entered the week second in the conference in scoring and has added a new dimension to his game — the outside shot.

"I'm playing outside a lot more," Avgi said. "It helps draw them out, then I can go back in the paint and flip flop. It throws them off balance."

Avgi is a big reason why WOU entered the week with a 12-2 record overall. This year, the Wolves have risen to the challenge of being one of the conference's front runners.

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Western Oregon senior Andy Avgi (32) attempts to save a loose ball on Saturday.

## PERRYDALE BOYS BASKETBALL

# Leaving a mark

Senior's faith gives him new motivation



LUKAS EGGEN/Itemizer-Observer

Perrydale senior Spencer Bibler began the season on the bench, but has earned a role in the Pirates' starting lineup.

**By Lukas Eggen**  
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**PERRYDALE** — Since starting the season 0-3, Perrydale's boys basketball team has turned things around.

The Pirates have won nine of their last 10 games, including victories over Falls City (62-26), Southwest Christian (51-48) and St. John Bosco (54-26) last week.

Two seniors, Spencer Bibler and Devin Cruickshank, find themselves at the center of Perrydale's resurgence.

### Spencer Bibler

Bibler, 17, has a tattoo he proudly displays on his left arm.

Unlike some, his has a special, life-changing meaning. Bibler has always loved sports — especially basketball and football. During his junior year, doctors discovered a tumor on his pituitary gland, which helps control growth and development.

Doctors needed to perform surgery. "The toughest experience was initially getting told that I had (the tumor)," Bibler said. "That meant no football."

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## DALLAS WRESTLING

# Upholding the legacy

**By Lukas Eggen**  
 The Itemizer-Observer

**DALLAS** — In the world of Dallas wrestling, the Dunagans have made their mark.

Jack, a 2012 graduate, qualified for state during his senior season. Scotty, a 2014 graduate, placed fourth at state during his senior year.

Now, senior Jeff Dunagan hopes to cement his status amongst his family's wrestling accomplishments. "Not make my own name, but I want to live up to how my brothers did," Dunagan said. "I want to keep the family tradition going."

Dunagan has been a life-long wrestler, beginning in the second or third grade.

"I love wrestling," Dunagan said. "There's nothing like it. I've grown up watching Scotty and Jack. They



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Jeff Dunagan looks to gain an edge on Saturday. The senior placed fourth in the 160-pound class.

both wrestled through high school. It's a family thing." See LEGACY, Page 12A

## DALLAS GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Dragons look for identity in league

**By Lukas Eggen**  
 The Itemizer-Observer

**DALLAS** — Entering its Mid-Willamette Conference opener, Dallas' girls basketball team wanted to make a statement.

The Dragons defeated Woodburn 51-37 on Thursday — a victory that showed a new attitude and what will likely determine just how far the team can advance.

"We knew Woodburn was a better team than last year," sophomore Tristan Savage said. "We had to bring the intensity and rebound and just be a little bit scrappier."

Dallas, which lost a make-

up game at Mountain View 35-31 on Friday, used the full-court press right from the opening tip against the Bulldogs.

The result was a swarming defense that rarely allowed Woodburn to get comfortable in their offensive sets — but in a game where more than 60 fouls were called, Dragons coach David Brautigam said players must learn to stay in control.

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