

PERRYDALE BOYS BASKETBALL

# Pirates rally late to beat Dufur

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and the Pirates escaped with a victory. "It sure made the bus ride home more fun," Domes said.

DUFUR — Down by nine with 2 minutes, 25 seconds left in the game on Saturday, Perrydale boys basketball coach Brian Domes thought the Pirates were about to go home with a sour taste in their mouths.

"It was going to be a long bus ride home," Domes said.

Dufur's athleticism had given Perrydale trouble all game.

Domes told his players it was time to put in the full-court press.

"That was something I've never really witnessed as a coach," Domes said.

The Pirates began forcing turnover after turnover and taking advantage of the scoring chances, capped off by a Cooper Butler basket with 1:15 remaining in the game to put Perrydale up 49-48.

Neither team would score

Butler finished the game with 20 points and 10 rebounds.

Perrydale also defeated Klickitat 68-49 on Friday. David Domes had 16 points and eight rebounds to lead the Pirates.

Perrydale played Country Christian Tuesday after press time and plays at Days Creek Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

"Days Creek will be challenging," Brian Domes said. "They are very athletic. They can be a little out of control sometimes, and that can get you out of your gameplan. We'll see how that plays out."



LUKAS EGGEN/Itemizer-Observer  
Cooper Butler drives to the hoop against Willamette Valley Christian on Thursday.

# Dragons

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Ryan Bibler (120), Dawson Barcroft (126), and Nicholas Nelson (160) took second, and Bryce Jordan (285), Jared Coxen (160), and Bryce Miller (152) placed third.

"The freshmen, Millard and Morrison are establishing themselves as top light-weights," Olliff said. "Our

upperclassmen, Nelson and Earhart, are leaders both on and off the mat."

The Dragons hope to see injured wrestlers Jacob Jones, Joe English and Dylan Dupas healthy by the new year.

Dallas will compete at the Northwest Duals in Albany Dec. 28-29.

# Pirates

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"Cody Lawrence played on Thursday and did a great job," Newton said. "Sydney Lawrence is tough as nails. When we need a basket, she usually gets it for us."

Sydney Lawrence scored a combined 45 points during the Pirates' games on Friday and Saturday.

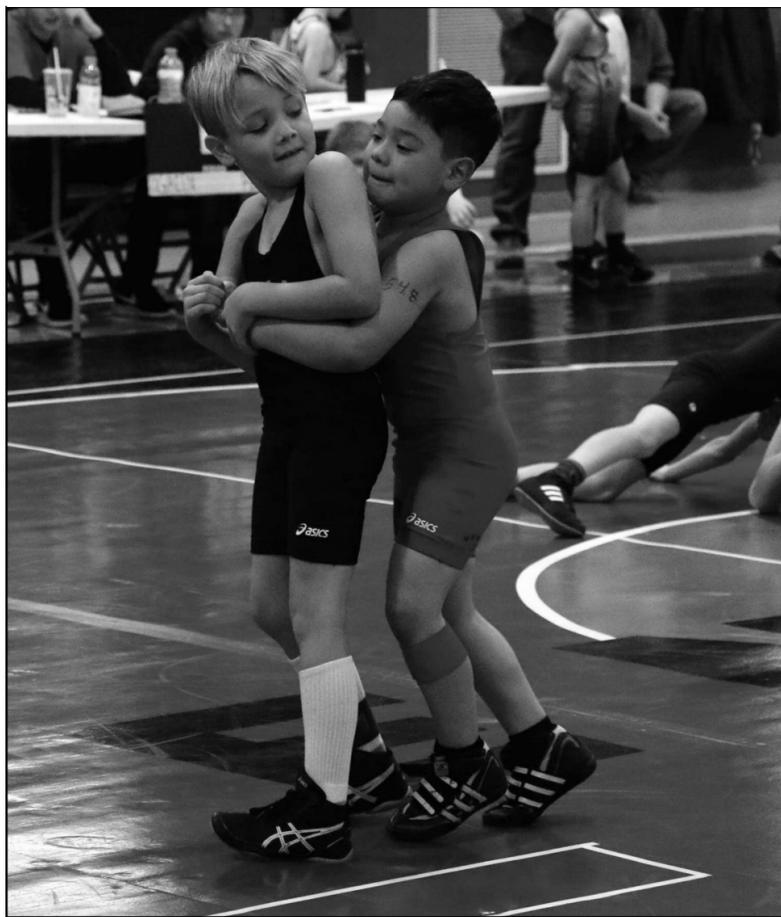
The Pirates will need players to continue stepping up. Newton said Alyssa Lux injured her knee

during the weekend, which could leave Perrydale without three of its normal starters this week.

Perrydale played Country Christian Tuesday after press time. The Pirates play at Days Creek on Thursday.

"We're working through the things we have to," Newton said. "Our younger players are getting experience so when our injured girls come back, we'll be deeper. I can't complain."

## Youth wrestling



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**Max Vidal, right, wrestles on Saturday. More than 200 youth wrestlers competed at Central High School on Saturday. The Panthers youth wrestling team boasted 19 competitors. Vidal, Lili Alvarez, Sawyer Herbert, Tyanna H., Grady Lewis, Jake Merrit and Rylan Lilly placed second. Roddy Alvarez, Bridget and Casey Humphreys, Case Merrit and Timo Cantu took third and Diego Pena and Issac McBride finished fourth.**

## CENTRAL ROUNDUP

# Girls basketball finishes first at the holiday classic

**Itemizer-Observer staff report**

AURORA — Central's girls basketball team went 3-0 and took first at the Abby's Pizza Holiday Classic at North Marion High School.

The Panthers defeated Molalla 46-30 on Thursday, Valley Catholic 57-38 on Friday and Hidden Valley 62-43 on Saturday.

"We faced three great teams that all do well in their leagues," coach Julie McDonald said. "We were faced with different challenges from each team that I felt like we executed well against."

Meagan Mendazona had 12 points, nine rebounds and six steals against Molalla, while Lexy Barba added 11 points and four assists. Elizabeth Chavez added eight points and six steals. Annika Riddell had five points and nine rebounds.

Mendazona scored a game-high 19 points against Valley Catholic. Riddell



Chavez

scored 12 points, and Chavez added 10 points as the Panthers outscored Valley Catholic 18-2 in the third quarter to pull away for the win.

Chavez scored a game-high 21 points against Hidden Valley. Barba scored 12 points. Mendazona added 10 points, five steals, seven assists and seven rebounds.

"Our bench was a huge factor in all three games," McDonald said. "We kept the same pace and pressure. ... Meagan Mendazona and Elizabeth Chavez had an excellent tournament, and Lexy Baba and Bailey Hartford did a phenomenal job stopping the opponents' offensive forces. Annika Riddell had a great tournament keeping the big men off the boards."

Central (7-0 overall) plays at Stayton Wednesday (today) at 7 p.m.

**SWIM TEAM COMPETES AT SOUTH ALBANY:** Central's swim team competed at South

Albany on Dec. 12.

Sophomore Lynze Bradley finished the girls 100-yard backstroke in 1 minute, 24.40 seconds, shaving 3.51 seconds off her previous personal best.

AnneMarie Hasbrook finished the 500 freestyle in 7:25.65, and Grace Holstad finished in 6:35.82 in her first time swimming the 500.

**BOYS BASKETBALL GOES 2-1 AT CLASSIC:** Central's boys basketball team went 2-1 at the Holiday Classic at North Marion High School. The Panthers lost to Banks 67-26 on Thursday before beating Corbett 60-53 on Friday and Molalla 57-51 on Saturday. Peter Mendazona scored 28 points to lead the Panthers against Molalla.

Mendazona scored 14 points against Corbett, while Kaleb Kantola added 11 points. "It was a really good tournament," coach Tim Kreta said. "On Friday, we faced a really good Corbett team that is developing and played well together. We came back on Saturday a little tired and flat, but we were able to hold them to four points in the fourth quarter."

The Panthers also defeated Milwaukie 58-46 on Dec. 12. Peter Mendazona scored 14 points, while Josh Rodriguez added 12 points, and Jesse Cable recorded 10 points.

# Falls City

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"He's keeping the ball high," Kidd said. "And he's more mature and bigger and stronger. Some guys make a big jump from their sophomore to junior year."

Individually, Kidd is seeing talent. Putting it together for 32 minutes will just take time, he said.

"We need more practice time," Kidd said. "We're trying to integrate three players into a system that the other guys are used to. Some of our schedule got rearranged and, with the football season going as long as it did, we missed out on a week of practice."

Falls City hosts Siletz Valley Thursday at 7 p.m.

**GIRLS BASKETBALL WINS TWO:** Falls City's girls basketball team defeated Oregon School for the Deaf 48-24 on Dec. 12 and C.S. Lewis 50-20 on Thursday.

Emma Burgess scored a game-high 15 points against OSD and grabbed seven rebounds. Brittney Potts added eight points and seven rebounds.

Amara Houghtaling led the Mountaineers against C.S. Lewis with 19 points and two assists. Potts and Burgess combined for 19 rebounds.

"The girls started the season a little slow, but they played some pretty good teams," Kidd said. "I was wondering how they would respond, and their energy has been a lot better on the floor."

Falls City hosts Siletz Valley Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

# Panthers

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"I have more confidence than I've had in wrestling," he said. "I have the confidence that I can go out there and be in a battle."

Central will compete at the Northwest Duals Dec. 28-29 with another chance

for the Panthers to show they are ready to battle.

"The focus is only on the next match," Sedlacek said. "When I'm out there, nothing else in life matters. Whether it's for 30 seconds or 10 minutes, my mind is clear."

## WESTERN OREGON ROUNDUP

# Men's basketball downs Alaska

**Itemizer-Observer staff report**

MONMOUTH — Western Oregon University's men's basketball team used a balanced scoring attack to defeat Alaska Anchorage 82-50 on Sunday. The Wolves saw 10 players score five or more points.

Vince Boumann scored a team-high 15 points. Ali

Faruq-Bey added 12 points and four rebounds. Tanner Omlid recorded 10 points, five rebounds, three blocks and three assists.

Western Oregon (10-1 overall, 2-1 Great Northwest Athletic Conference) played Alaska Fairbanks Tuesday after press time. The Wolves are off until Jan. 2, when

WOU plays at Concordia at 7 p.m.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL FALLS TO SOUTHERN OREGON:** Western Oregon University's women's basketball team lost to Southern Oregon 77-67 on Dec. 12.

The Wolves led 37-30 at the half before Southern Oregon outscored WOU 27-13 in the third quarter to take the lead

for good.

Savannah Heugly recorded 15 points, five rebounds and three assists to lead WOU.

Kennedy Corrigan added 14 points, and Sydney Azorr had 12 points and four assists.

Western Oregon (5-3 overall) played Central Washington Tuesday after press time. The Wolves are off until Dec. 30 at Northwest Nazarene.

## DALLAS ROUNDUP

# Swim team competes at Corvallis

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CORVALLIS — Dallas swim team competed at Corvallis on Dec. 12.

The boys 200-yard medley relay team of Gabe Applegate, Isaiah Dressel, Jakob Lloyd and Hans Garrison placed third in 2 minutes, 29.82 seconds.

The 200 freestyle relay team of Lloyd, Applegate, Garrison and Dressel also placed third with a time of 2:04.41.

Garrison finished third in the boys 50 freestyle in 38.76.

Guinevere Bagnall took fourth in the girls 50

freestyle with a time of 50.27.

**GIRLS BASKETBALL DROPS FIRST GAME:** Dallas' girls basketball team defeated Roosevelt 62-56 on Dec. 12 before losing to Hillsboro 53-31 on Friday.

Dallas (5-1 overall) played McKay Tuesday after press time.

The Dragons play at Sprague Dec. 29 at 6:45 p.m.

**BOYS BASKETBALL DROPS GLENCOE:** Dallas' boys basketball team defeated Glencoe 48-44 on Dec. 12 before falling to Hillsboro 39-27 on Friday.

The Dragons (1-6 overall) host Hermiston Friday at 7 p.m.

# Dallas wrestlers compete at Battle for the Belts

**Itemizer-Observer staff report**  
DALLAS — Dallas wrestlers competed at the Battle for the Belts girls tournament on Saturday.

Delila Tormis placed third in the 81-pound division (elementary school).

Morgan Smith placed fourth at 135 pounds and

Molly Parson of the Dallas Mat Club finished fifth (96) at the middle school level.

Dallas High's Kim Hol-

gat placed fourth at 127 pounds at the high school level.

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