

Sports

WEEK AHEAD IN HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

MONDAY, MARCH 18
Tennis: Weiser at Baker, 2 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19
Softball: Baker JV at Grant Union, 2 p.m.; Baker at Nyssa, 4 p.m.
Baseball: Baker JV2 at Grant Union, 2 p.m.; Baker at Nyssa, 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20
Tennis: Baker at Pendleton, 2 p.m.
Golf: Baker girls at Weiser, 1 p.m.
Baseball: Nyssa at Baker JV, 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 21
Track: Baker at Ontario, 3 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 22
Baseball: Joseph at Baker JV, 2 p.m.

AT A GLANCE

Youth track to start April 1

The annual Baker City youth track program for children in kindergarten through sixth grade will run from April 1 to May 1.

The program, run by BHS coaches and athletes, will take place Mondays and Wednesdays at the Baker High School track.

A parent meeting is scheduled at 5:45 p.m. April 3 at BHS. Cost for the program is \$20 per athlete with a \$60 family cap. Checks should be made out to Baker High School Youth Track.

More information is available from Suzy Cole, 541-523-2040, 541-524-2641, or suzy.cole@bakersed.org.

Blake Marlia also will offer a free Baker City Running Club for adults on the grass area at the northeast corner of the BHS track.

The first meeting is at 5:30 p.m. April 1. The group will meet Mondays and Wednesdays during the youth track season.

Shiffrin wins another World Cup title

SOLDEU, Andorra (AP) — Another race won, another crystal trophy earned, another World Cup record written by Mikaela Shiffrin in her historically great season. Shiffrin won a giant slalom Sunday to seal the season-long standings title and, shedding a few tears while sitting in the finish area, lifted a record-tying fourth World Cup crystal globe in the same season.

“There were many moments in the last eight years where I was thinking maybe I would never get this GS globe,” Shiffrin said, explaining her emotions. “I wanted to be proud of my skiing and really deserve that.” A fourth discipline title in one season matched the women’s World Cup record jointly held by Lindsey Vonn (2010, 2012) and Tina Maze (2013). Shiffrin’s 17th World Cup race win this season also extended her own record for men and women. At age 24, her 60 career wins trail only 26 behind Ingemar Stenmark’s all-time total.

BAKER TRACK AT ONTARIO

Baker starts strong at Ontario

By Gerry Steele
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Baker started its track and field season on a strong note Friday at the Ontario Icebreaker meet.

The Bulldogs had several midseason marks and earned a half-dozen individual firsts. “We had an incredible meet yesterday” Coach Suzy Cole said.

“Overall I was amazed at how well all of our athletes competed, our veterans all the way down through our newbies. The weather was perfect, which helped a lot,” she said. “I was so impressed with our athletes as many of them were hitting marks that were at least midway or beyond as compared to last year’s marks.”

“The kids did an amazing job of supporting one another and just enjoying themselves.”

Cole said some of the outstanding marks were by Rebecca Shaw having a 3-foot lifetime PR in the triple jump, Emma Baeth in her first high school meet in running extremely competitive times in the 1500 and the 100 and part of the girls 4 x 4, Sydney Lamb running extremely competitive in the

3,000 in her first high school race, Lacey Jones running as competitively and aggressively as Cole had ever seen her run, and the girls 4 x 4 of Sydney Younger, Jones, Corah Downing and Baeth.

On the boys side, Kale Cassidy started his season with a come-from-behind win in the 1,500, Jake Czuzick and Lucas Stearns also ran very tough in the distance races and Caden Spencer had a very strong showing in the sprints.

“These are by no means all of our incredible marks but just a kind of a highlight of the few,” Cole said.

“We had lots of athletes do multiple events. Equally as exciting for me was to see our new kids, exchange students and juniors and seniors who have never come out before, really do a great job of competing and having fun. I cannot imagine anyway to have had more fun on our first meet of the season. This is going to be a great year.”

Ontario Icebreaker (Baker results) Boys events Team scores — None available. 100 — 8. Spencer, 12.24. 13. Myer, 12.62. 14. Robb, 12.66. 27. Blitzer, 13.18. 29. Riguetro, 13.20. 40. Dela Rosa, 13.94. 41. Kong, 13.97. 45. Yervasi, 14.39. 46. Decker, 14.74. 52. Zhang, 15.35. 200 — 9. Spencer, 25.65. 14. Rigueiro, 26.24.

- 15. Myer, 26.36. 33. Decker, 30.65. 400 — 8. Niehaus, 59.20. 11. Jesenko, 1:01.45. 16. Bolls, 1:04.32. 800 — 2. Cassidy, 2:11.85. 6. Czuzick, 2:19.93. 1,500 — 1. Cassidy, 4:18.86. 3. Czuzick, 4:35.80. 5. Stearns, 4:39.11. 20. Gross, 5:13.68. 3,000 — 11. Gross, 11:35.88. 110 hurdles — 3. Robb, 18.72. 4. Bloomer, 19.04. 300 hurdles — 3. Robb, 45.89. 7. Bloomer, 49.02. 8. Flanagan, 49.13. 4x100 relay — 1. Baker, 47.16. 4x400 relay — 5. Baker, 4:03.35. Discus — 8. Bloomer, 85.6. 11. Spencer, 82.3. 25. Mendell, 57-11. 29. Hobbs, 51-8. Javelin — 6. Adams, 118-6. 19. Rancourt, 80-0. 27. Hobbs, 60-0. Shot put — 8. Blitzer, 31-3. 15. Yervasi, 29-2. Mendell, 23-4. High jump — 2. Bradford, 5-6. 6. Flanagan, 5-4. 11. Severson, 5-2. 13. Stone, 5-0. Long jump — 1. Lewis, 19-3.5. 5. Hammans, 17-9. 9. Rigueiro, Jesenk, 16-7. 12. Blitzer, 16-5. 16. Stone, 15-9.5. 17. (tie) Myer, Rancourt, 15-7. 20. Adams, 15-2. 23. Niehaus, 14-8. 25. Dela Rosa, 14-7. Triple jump — 1. Lewis, 39-9.5. 2. Hammans, 39-0. 4. Flanagan, 38-7. 14. Adams, 31-1. 15. Rancourt, 30-8. Pole vault — 3. (tie) Bradford, Rushton, 9-6. 5. Bloomer, 9-0.

Girls events Team scores — None available. 400 — 2. Younger, 1:05.39. 8. Palmer, 1:11.88. 800 — 1. Baeth, 2:32.97. 1,500 — 1. Baeth, 5:21.11. 6. Downing, 5:36.44. 12. Jones, 6:08.69. 14. Waters, 6:20.38. 15. Shaw, 6:23.75. 17. Granhus, 7:02.87. 3,000 — 3. Lamb, 12:29.95. 8. Huntington, 15:33.18. 100 hurdles — 5. Hellberg, 2:10.6. Larkin, 2:14.4. 7. Conant, 22.03. 300 hurdles — 1. Downing, 55.32. 2. Hellberg, 55.82. 5. Fuzi, 1:09.85. 4x100 relay — 4. Baker, 56.10. 6. Baker, 1:00.00. 4x400 relay — 1. Baker, 4:31.43. Discus — 14. Hobbs, 58-11. 17. Zickgraf, 57-2. 29. Osborn, 38-6. Javelin — 6. Paulsen, 89-5. 10. Zickgraf, 79-4. 25. Villalobos, 49-11. 28. Osborn, 34-6. Shot put — 5. Hobbs, 26-7. 22. Osborn, 20-75. High jump — 8. L. Benson, 4-4. 11. (tie) Conant, A. Benson, 4-0. Long jump — 4. Younger, 15-10.5. 14. Palmer, 12-8.5. 18. A. Benson, 12-2. Triple jump — 4. Shaw, 29-5. 5. Fuzi, 27-7. Pole vault — 5. Zickgraf, 6-0.

BAKER TENNIS

Baker tennis sweeps Payette

By Gerry Steele
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Baker swept Payette in a nonleague tennis match Thursday at Payette.

“All of our kids played outstanding,” said Baker coach Kristin Schwinn.

Baker won the girls match 5-0 and the boys 4-1.

Hannah Johnson, Gabbie Treblecock and Andrea Pettit swept the girls singles in straight sets.

Kaylee Dalke and Emma Finley did likewise in the No.

1 doubles match.

Sarah Plummer and Phoebe Wise needed three tie-breakers to claim the second doubles match.

In boys play, Baker’s Zach Schwin, a state qualifier last season, lost the No. 1 singles match to a foreign exchange player from Italy.

Sean Cunningham and Luke Barnes won the other two singles matches.

Isaac Nemecek and Alex Davila won the No. 1 doubles. Eli Lien and Anthony Cowan

won the No. 2 doubles.

Baker hosts Weiser today at 2 p.m. at the Ash Grove courts.

Baker at Payette Girls singles Johnson (B) def. Hernandez 6-2, 6-3. Treblecock (B) def. Del Valle 6-1, 6-2. Pettit (B) def. Winsor 6-2, 6-0. Girls doubles Dalke/Finley (B) def. Bradshaw/McKenzie 6-0, 6-1. Plummer/Wise (B) def. Roland/Top 7-6 (7-5), 6-7 (5-7), 10-7.

Boys singles Scarpelli (P) def. Schwinn 6-1, 6-0. Cunningham (B) def. Hag 6-0, 6-0. Barnes (B) def. Huerta 6-2, 6-0. Boys doubles Nemecek/Davila (B) def. Jones/Banuells 6-0, 6-1. Lien/Cowan (B) def. Garcia/Camp 6-1, 6-4.

SCOREBOARD

TELEVISION

All Times PDT Monday, March 18 Golden State at San Antonio, 5 p.m. (ESPN) Indiana at Portland, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN) Tuesday, March 19 NCAA tourney, 3:30 p.m. (truTV) NCAA tourney, 6 p.m. (truTV) Wednesday, March 20 NCAA tourney, 3:30 p.m. (truTV) Boston at Philadelphia, 4 p.m. (ESPN) Tampa Bay at Washington, 4:30 p.m. (NBCSN) NCAA tourney, 6 p.m. (truTV) Toronto at Oklahoma City, 6:30 p.m. (ESPN) Winnipeg at Anaheim, 7 p.m. (NBCSN) Dallas at Portland, 7 p.m. (CSN) Thursday, March 21 NCAA tourney, 9 a.m. (CBS) NCAA tourney, 9:30 a.m. (truTV) NCAA tourney, 10:20 a.m. (TNT) NCAA tourney, 10:50 a.m. (TBS) NCAA tourney, 11:30 a.m. (CBS) NCAA tourney, noon (truTV) NCAA tourney, 12:50 p.m. (TNT) NCAA tourney, 1:20 p.m. (TBS) NCAA tourney, 3:45 p.m. (TNT) NCAA tourney, 4 p.m. (CBS) NCAA tourney, 4:15 p.m. (TBS) NCAA tourney, 4:15 p.m. (truTV) NCAA tourney, 6:15 p.m. (TNT) NCAA tourney, 6:45 p.m. (TBS) NCAA tourney, 6:55 p.m. (truTV) Friday, March 22 NCAA tourney, 9 a.m. (CBS) NCAA tourney, 9:30 a.m. (truTV) NCAA tourney, 10:20 a.m. (TNT) NCAA tourney, 10:50 a.m. (TBS) NCAA tourney, 11:30 a.m. (CBS) NCAA tourney, noon (truTV)

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BAKER TRACK PREVIEW

Bulldogs look to challenge for title

By Gerry Steele
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Coach Suzy Cole has high expectations for her boys and girls track and field teams at Baker High School.

“Overall we are very excited about the prospects of this season,” Cole said. “At districts last year we felt a lot of our young athletes were really starting to figure things out, so hopefully this season will be even better. We have potential if the sun would just come out so we can get some good workouts in.”

Cole said she was super excited about the boys’ turnout for this season.

“Not only did we have a big returning group but we also have lots of new faces, at all grade levels. Some of our key returners are Kale Cassidy in the distances, who placed last year at state in the 3000. In the sprints we have Kaden Myers, Ian Jesenko, Joseph Daugherty and Caden Spencer leading the way. In the field events we have Chaz Williams in the shot and discus and Andrew Adams in the javelin. Returning jumpers are in the long and triple jump Isaiah Bradford, Brogan Lewis, Alex Hammans and Brylan Robb. High jumpers are Liam Severson, Isaiah Bradford and Kadin Palmer. Hurdlers will be led by Robb and Lewis.”

In addition to the returners Cole said she is happy to have Gauge Bloomer, a multi-event athlete, and Beau Stone and Riley Flanagan in hurdles, jumps and relays. Preston Rancourt is throwing the javelin, and Seth Rush-ton will compete in the pole vault and distance.

The Baker girls also have a great turnout of both veterans and new athletes. The nucleus of the team will be the multi-event performers, Cole said.

“We also have a nice mix of all grade levels, which will help with the continued growth of the program,” Cole said.

Baker will be led by seniors Jayme Ramos, long jump and sprints; Brittanie Conant, sprints; Marisa Fuzi, triple jump and IM hurdles; Alayne Bennett, throws; and Abby Hobbs in throws. Other returning veterans are Lauren Benson in high jump, who competed at state last year; Sydney Keller in the long sprints, and pole vault (eighth in state last year) and relay; Jocelynn Hellberg in the hurdles (competed at state last year) along with Hailey Zikmund also in the hurdles. In the throws the Bulldogs have Hayden Paulsen (javelin) Hobbs (shot, discus) along with Bennett. Corah Downing is returning in the distance and IM hurdle and Kaitlyn Waters in distances as well. Lacey Jones is also back running the 400, relay and some distances.

New to the team this year is middle distance runner Emma Baeth, and long distances runner Sydney Lamb. Additionally Sydney Younger has returned in the long jump, long sprints and relays.

NCAA MEN’S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

ACC claims 3 of 4 No. 1 seed spots

By Noah Trister
AP Sports Writer

The Atlantic Coast Conference comes into the NCAA Tournament with three No. 1 seeds.

Putting three teams in the Final Four is a different matter.

The last time one league had three teams in the national semifinals was 1985, the year the field expanded to 64 teams. Georgetown and St. John’s arrived as Big East behemoths, only to be upstaged when conference rival Villanova took the title.

The ACC’s top-seeded trio this year is Duke, North Carolina and Virginia. The last time three No. 1 seeds won their regionals was in 2015, when Kentucky, Duke and Wisconsin did it.

Only one other time has a league gotten three No. 1 seeds. In 2009, Louisville, Connecticut and Pittsburgh did it for the Big East.

Here are a few more things to watch in the NCAA Tournament: • REGIONAL OF CHAMPIONS: If the seeds hold, the Sweet 16 in the Midwest Regional could be quite a spectacle. Top-seeded North Carolina, second-seeded Kentucky and fourth-seeded Kansas would all end up in Kansas City.

• PLENTY OF SKEPTICS: There was some talk that the Pac-12 could be a one-bid league this year, but Oregon won the conference tournament, and Washington and Arizona State made it in off the bubble.

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