

BAKER GIRLS BASKETBALL



Baker's Rylee Elms, middle, here against La Grande on Feb. 8, 2022, had 12 points in the Bulldogs' 63-15 win over Ontario on Feb. 11, 2022.

Bulldogs finish perfect GOL season

Baker routs Ontario, 63-15

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The likelihood of the Baker girls basketball team losing at Ontario on Friday, Feb. 11, was quite low.

Baker coach Jason Ramos wouldn't deny that.

The Tigers haven't won this season, and in the first match up with Baker, on Jan. 21, at Baker, the Bulldogs won 69-16.

"It's a tough game to get up for," he said. "The challenge for us was to go out and execute and play basketball at our level, which for the most part we did."

Baker dominated, especially on defense, holding Ontario

scoreless in the first quarter and to just 2 points in the first half en route to a 63-15 win.

The victory clinched a perfect 6-0 record in the Greater Oregon League for the Bulldogs, who improved to 17-5 overall. Baker is ranked fourth in the Class 4A standings statewide.

Nine of the 10 Bulldogs who played got on the scoreboard.

Jozie Ramos led Baker with 15 points. Rylee Elms added 12, Katie Wilde had eight, Brooklyn Jaca seven and Sydney Pierce six.

Baker now prepares for much more formidable opponents ahead in the GOL and then state playoffs.

Even before the win at Ontario, Baker had clinched the regular season GOL title by

virtue of the 43-25 win over La Grande on Feb. 8 in the Baker gym.

Baker will play host to the GOL championship game, which affects seeding in the Class 4A state playoffs, on Saturday, Feb. 19, at 5 p.m.

The opponent hasn't been decided, but Ramos is anticipating a third game against La Grande.

The winner of an Ontario vs. Mac-Hi game will play at La Grande on Thursday, Feb. 17, with the winner playing at Baker.

Jason Ramos said Baker will prepare this week as usual, but he'll also look to add plays, on both ends of the court, that the Bulldogs have yet to show this season.

If Baker wins Saturday, Feb. 19, the Bulldogs will definitely

BAKER (63)

Elms 5 2-2 12, Flanagan 1 0-0 2, Wilde 4 0-0 8, Gyllenberg 2 1-1 5, Pierce 3 0-0 6, Ramos 7 1-2 15, Roy 2 0-0 2 4, Jaca 3 1-2 7, Robb 0 0-0 0, Moore 1 2-3 4. Totals 28 7-12 63.

ONTARIO (15)

Ortega 5 1-4 13, Wilson 1 0-2 2, Esquivel 0 0-2 0, Evans 0 0-1 0, Oester 0 0-0 0, Womack 0 0-0 0, Eidson 0 0-0 0. Totals 4 1-9 15.

Baker 19 13 23 8—63

Ontario 0 2 7 6—15

have a home game in the first round of the playoffs. Baker also has a strong chance of hosting a first-round game even if they lose.

"We're in good shape," Ramos said.

BAKER SWIMMING

Stadler qualifies for 2 state events

Baker City Herald

Baker's Brianna Stadler will have a chance to cap her high school swimming career with her fifth and sixth individual state championships.

Stadler, a senior, qualified for the state meet in two events — the 100-yard butterfly and 100-yard backstroke.

Stadler won the backstroke at the district meet Saturday, Feb. 12, at Madras, and she finished second in the butterfly.

The state meet is set for Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Tualatin Hills Aquatic Center in Beaverton.

One other Baker swimmer, Silas Carter, could potentially qualify for state depending on results from other districts, Baker coach Randy Stadler said.

Carter placed fifth in the boys 100-yard freestyle at the district meet.

"That's pretty impressive, with Silas being a rookie with just three months of training," Randy Stadler said.

Overall, Stadler said he was pleased with Baker's performance at the district meet.

"They just swam great," he said. "It's a very impressive group."

In the girls 100 backstroke, Stadler finished in 1:00.74, more than 5 seconds ahead of runner up Alyssa Sanchez of Catlin Gabel.

In the 100-yard butterfly, Stadler was in the lead until the final 25 yards, when



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Baker swimmers who competed at the district meet on Saturday, Feb. 12, 2022, at Madras. Back, Gabe Bott. Next row, left, Silas Carter, right, Angel DeArcos. Left center, Brianna Stadler. Front row, left, Caitlin Lien and Addy Macy.

Adrienne Tam of Catlin Gabel just beat her to the wall.

Randy Stadler said Brianna Stadler (who is his daughter) and Tam are arch rivals but also friends.

"They have a lot of respect for each other," Randy Stadler said.

Other Baker results:

- Boys 100-yard butterfly Angel DeArcos, 8th, 1:08.73; Gabe Bott, 10th, 1:17.29.

- Girls 50-yard freestyle Caitlin Lien, 7th, 30.18.

- Boys 50-yard freestyle DeArcos, 8th, 26.60; Carter, 9th, 27.15.

- Girls 100-yard butterfly Caitlin Lien, 6th, 1:21.39.

OSAA moves Class 4A basketball tournaments to Coos Bay area

BY DAVIS CARBAUGH

The (La Grande) Observer

WILSONVILLE — The 4A state basketball tournaments are on the move.

The Oregon School Activities Association announced on Wednesday, Feb. 9, that the boys and girls state tournaments will be moved to the Coos Bay area. After Forest Grove requested not to host the event this year, Marshfield and North Bend high schools will be holding the state tournaments.

"We'll travel wherever we need to go in order to play," La Grande Athletic Director Darren Goodman said.

Goodman noted that La Grande teams have often had to travel far for tournament play in the past. The Tigers tied for first in the Greater Oregon League boys standings and were second on the girls side.

Baker won the regular season GOL girls title with a 6-0 record. The Baker and La Grande boys tied at 5-1.

Forest Grove cited COVID-19 issues as the reason for not holding the tournament, stating that the community has been hit hard by the pandemic. Additionally, OSAA reported that the matchups would likely see a fan restriction at the Forest Grove facilities.

Marshfield and North Bend stepped up to host the event, in addition to also hosting the 3A state tournament finals. Pendleton was considered as a top location to host the event, according to OSAA, but there are more schools on the west side of the state that would have to travel to Eastern Oregon.

The 4A boys and girls tournament final rounds are set to be held from March 10-12. The first-round matchups the week prior will still be held at the higher-seeded high schools.

La Grande and Baker teams that qualify for the tournament will likely face a nearly eight-hour drive, as opposed to about four and a half hours to Forest Grove.

Boys quarterfinal matchups are slated to be held throughout the afternoon at North Bend High School, while the remaining rounds will be played at Marshfield High School. The 4A boys championship game is scheduled for 3:15 p.m. March 12 at Marshfield High School, according to OSAA.

On the girls side, the quarterfinals through championship matchup will take place at Marshfield High School. The girls final is slated for 8:30 p.m. March 12 at Marshfield.

Marshfield is a 4A school that will likely qualify for the state tournament on both sides, with its boys team currently standing at 17-4 and the girls team at 15-6. Host schools typically do not play in the tournament, which is a concern OSAA Executive Director Peter Weber addressed in the release by OSAA.

"Obviously, it's not an ideal situation," Weber told John Gunther of The World newspaper in Coos Bay. "We've had it come up in a few other circumstances."

Forest Grove was previously slated to host the 3A and 4A volleyball tournaments in the fall, but the tournaments were moved to Corvallis.

First-round matchups of the 4A OSAA playoffs are set to begin on March 4 for boys and March 5 for girls.

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