

Wildcats win tournaments at home, on the road in McKinleyville

Weaverville Elementary School hosted its annual Invitational Basketball Tournament Jan. 22-23. Teams participating were Weaverville, Trinity Valley, Bella Vista, Turtle Bay, Mistletoe, Hayfork, Douglas City and Evergreen.

The Wildcats faced the Trinity Valley Chargers in the first round. Weaverville's pressure defense and fast-paced offense set the pace for the game. Wildcat point guard Ryan Higgins pushed the ball up the court, dishing out many assists and putting Weaverville up 26-13 at the end of the first quarter.

The Wildcats finished the game winning 67-44. Higgins finished with 13 points. Cory Cook finished with a game high of 24 points and six rebounds. Tyler Harris, Jeremiah Weiss and Steven Blanchard chipped in 7 points each.

In the semifinal game, Weaverville faced the Turtle Bay Hawks. The Wildcats again started fast jumping out to 40-18 halftime lead. Tyler Harris hit three treys before the half and finished with 17 points. Cory Cook again led the Wildcats with

20 points and nine boards. Ryan Higgins ran the offense and again led the team in assists to help the Wildcats win 59-47.

Weaverville faced the Mistletoe Bulldogs for the championship. The Wildcats played great defense to open the game holding Mistletoe to 7 first-half points. Cook scored 30 points to lead the Wildcats to a 41-29 victory.

Cook earned tournament MVP honors while Tyler Harris and Ryan Higgins earned all-tournament awards.

The Wildcats eighth-grade team members are: Chad and Steven Blanchard, Tyler Harris, Cory Cook, Michael Jones, Nick Moreno, Jeremiah Weiss, Daniel Hill, Jake Hottell, Josh Loomis and Ryan Higgins. Team Manager is Jacob Hodges-Kelly.

On Jan. 29-30, the WES Wildcats participated in the annual McKinleyville Classic Basketball Tournament. There were two eighth-grade divisions, large and small school. WES participated in the small school division. Teams participating were Hoopa, Healdsburg, Jacoby Creek, Fort Bragg, Sunnybrae, Pacific Union

and Willits.

WES faced Healdsburg in the first game. Ryan Higgins led the team in scoring, making two 3-pointers to finish with 22 points. Cory Cook pumped in 20 points, making six of eight free throws. Tyler Harris finished with 10 points while the Wildcats won the game 64-48. Nick Moreno made two 3-pointers to finish with 6 points.

In the semifinal game, Weaverville played Fort Bragg Middle School. This was a closely contested game, but the Wildcats rode Cory Cook's 29 points to a 59-41 victory. Tyler Harris finished with 11 points and Ryan Higgins chipped in 9. Nick Moreno added 6.

In the championship game the Wildcats faced Willits. Willits jumped out to a 16-13 first quarter lead, but the Wildcats managed to stay ahead the next three quarters to win the championship 49-40. Cory Cook dominated, scoring 29 points. Higgins added 12 and Harris chipped in 6. Cory Cook earned tournament MVP honors while Tyler Harris and Ryan Higgins earned all-tournament awards.

Head coach sought for Waves swim team

The Weaverville Waves are now accepting applications for head swim coach for the 2010 summer season. Hours are between 2.5 and 3.5 a day on weekdays, and eight hours a day on most weekends for swim meets. The season starts in May and ends in August.

If you are interested, e-mail Dan at weavervillewaves@yahoo.com for an application.

Applicants must meet USA Swimming requirements which include: Lifeguard Training, First Aid/CPR, Safety Training for Swim Coaches, USA Swimming background check,

and be at least 18 years of age. Applications are due Wednesday, Feb. 17.

The current swim board reminds parents of an important meeting today, Feb. 3, at 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Hall. Among other agenda items, the board will discuss the June swim meet.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Little League sign-ups

Play ball! Trinity Little League will start its 54th season on April 10. Signups will run from 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 20-21, at CVS Pharmacy in Weaverville. Trinity Little League will have limited signup dates and may have a waiting list.

Junction City residents may contact Bridget Amon or Gene Lind; Lewiston residents contact Bridget Scribner; Trinity Center/Coffee Creek contact Tom Burge; Douglas City contact Bob Brown.

Trinity Little League will not be increasing this year's players fees thanks to sponsors. Trinity Little League sponsored 30 players last year who could not afford the fees and, with the help of sponsors, everybody got to play.

For more information call 623-0892.

Semi-pro Lumberjacks need sponsors

If you like to hear a real "crack" of the bat, then you'll join the Trinity River Lumberjacks in looking forward to the start of the 2010 Semi-Pro Wood Bat Baseball season. The team will play the Butte Sabers, Sugar Canes of

Chico, the Redding Heat, Nor Cal Pirates and the Eel River Eels.

The local semi-pro group is looking to form two teams this year — the Lumberjacks will be the traveling team and the Timberjacks will be the other team.

Both the Lumberjacks and the Timberjacks are looking for sponsors. Contact Keith at 623-0892 if you are interested in a sponsorship.

Players wanting to sign up now may go to the teams' Web site, leaguelineup.com/trinity, and fill out the online form.

Bowling Highlights

JAN. 23-25

TUESDAY SENIORS:

Men's Hi Series: Ron Kasper, 628; Don Coffin, 623; Al Erwin, 565. Men's Hi Game: Jim Skaggs, 214; Verlin Harwood, 213; Bill Fifer, 187.

Women's Hi Series: Lora Wheeler, 535; Ruth Smith, 474; Helga Skaggs, 473. Women's Hi Game: Diane Kasper and Sharon Workman, 178; Terry Harwood, 169; Sandy Woodward, 162.

TUESDAY NIGHT LADIES

Women's Hi Series: Pat Wanaka, 532; Debbie Johnston, 526; Sam Healy, 521. Women's Hi Game: Pat Wanaka, 204; Sis Curran, 197; Karen Miller, 193.

LEWISTON MOOSE LODGE
Men's Hi Series: Dave

Orellana, 622; Bob Tyler, 597; Don Coffin, 515. Men's Hi Game: Bob Tyler, 245; Dave Orellana, 214 and 207.

Women's Hi Series: Robina Crockett, 513; Margi Maddox, 497; Sam Healy, 492. Women's Hi Game: Monica Coffin, 197; Margi Maddox, 190; Robina Crockett, 187.

THURSDAY MORNING LADIES

Women's Hi Series: Terry Harwood, 546; Lora Wheeler, 539; Donna Kaundart, 495. Women's Hi Game: Terry Harwood and Lora Wheeler 192; Donna Kaundart, 188; Sharon Workman, 181.

THURSDAY NIGHT BUSINESSMEN

Men's Hi Series: Jeremiah Haycox, 708; John Woodhouse, 693; Lewis Curran, 637. Men's Hi Game: Jeremiah Haycox, 299; John Woodhouse and Russell Wheeler, 259.

Trinity Alps men's golf

FRIDAY, JAN. 29

Low Gross: Joe Rogaski, 72. Low Net: Mel Belt, 54; Don Reese, 59; Mike Plotzke, 63. Closest to the pin: Mike Moore, 1' 5 1/8"

High school sports schedule

Feb. 5: Hayfork girls basketball vs. Westwood, JV/varsity, 3 p.m.

Feb. 5: Hayfork boys basketball vs. Westwood, JV/varsity, 4:30 p.m.

Feb. 5: Trinity girls

basketball vs. Fall River, JV 4 p.m./varsity 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 5: Trinity boys basketball vs. Fall River, JV 5:15 p.m./varsity 7:45 p.m.

Feb. 5-6: Trinity wrestling at SCL Championships, Burney, TBA

Feb. 6: Trinity girls basketball vs. Burney, JV 2 p.m./varsity 4:30 p.m.

Feb. 6: Trinity boys basketball vs. Burney, JV 3:15 p.m./varsity 5:45 p.m.

Feb. 9: Hayfork girls basketball at Redding Adventist, JV/varsity, 2:30 p.m.

Feb. 9: Hayfork boys basketball at Redding Adventist, JV/varsity, 4 p.m.

Feb. 12: Hayfork girls basketball vs. Champion, JV/varsity, 3 p.m.

Feb. 12: Hayfork boys basketball vs. Champion, JV/varsity, 4:30 p.m.

Feb. 12: Trinity girls basketball at Etna, JV 4 p.m./varsity 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 12: Trinity boys basketball at Etna, JV 5:15 p.m./varsity 7:45 p.m.

FISHING REPORT

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The creeks and river flows are starting to increase by about 1.5 to 2.5 feet on the main stem Trinity, the Upper River, and 2 to 4 feet on the lower parts of the river. The upper river has about 3 feet of visibility and good color while the lower river has turned a nice green with about 2 feet of visibility.

The Trinity River Hatchery steelhead count went up a little bit, to about 2,100. The coho are just about through coming into the hatchery. Jan. 14 counts: coho, 3,358 for '09 vs. 5,188 in '08; steelhead 795 for a total 2,100 for '09 vs. 1,170 in '08. The DFG is in the process of putting together all of the return counts for Klamath/Trinity rivers and it has been noted that the river basin is very close to making the escapement goal for chinook salmon.

I know some of you readers have called to ask me if we did meet the escapement because you were told that the Trinity River did not make the escapement goal this year at the Sacramento International Sportsmen's Exposition. The escapement goal is for the whole Klamath/Trinity River Basin and not just the Trinity River. I am sorry that you were given misinformation; final counts are not completed yet.

The rains just seem to keep on coming, but not in great quantities. Trinity Lake came up 14 feet this past month and Shasta Lake came up 43 feet. This is good but not great. The good part is that steelhead are moving and they are all over the upper river. The fish I reported about two weeks ago in Del Loma are now up in the Junction City area and more are heading up. With the projected rains called for this week, it will be hard to find a good place to fish, but if you are diligent you will locate them.

Whenever rain for Northern California is predicted, it is always best to call ahead to make sure the river is not blown out. The good news is that after the rains slow down and the river drops, fishing is hot for a short time.

My fishing buddies from Sacramento came up again this weekend and fished Del Loma and had trouble hooking many metal heads this time; they only hooked three and landed one little half-pounder. In between the storms is your best bet for now.

The Hawkins Bar to South Fork stretch is good, but high for wading. South Fork to Willow Creek has a lot more color to it coming from the South Fork, but it is fishable.

Hunter safety class offered

The Trinity Chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation will be hosting a Hunters Safety Certification Class Feb. 20-21 at the Weaverville Elementary School cafeteria.

This two-day class will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. each day. To attend the class a child must be 11 years or older and a parent or guardian must accompany anyone under 18 years of age in order to complete registration for the class on the 20th. Class size is limited, so call 623-2029 and leave your name, age, address and phone number. Cost for the class will be \$5 per person, to cover costs of instructors and class materials.

Lunch will be provided each day by the chapter ... call and sign up early. Do not bring weapons; no live firing is involved.

The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation was formed to preserve elk populations through habitat enhancement which in turn helps other wildlife. To volunteer as part of the Trinity Chapter committee, contact Jim Burgess at 623-2029. Watch for information on the annual Big Game Banquet which will be held April 10 at the Veterans Memorial Hall in Weaverville.


Lewiston Gun Club meets Feb. 27

The sixth annual Lewiston Gun Club dinner meeting and election of officers is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 27, at the Lewiston Community Center on Texas Avenue.

The members-only event menu will include prime rib, rice pilaf, vegetables, rolls, desserts and wine at a cost of \$25 per person.

The event will begin with a wine bar social hour at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will begin at 6:30, to be followed by the election of officers. Reservations are necessary, must be made before Feb. 11, and may be paid at the door.

Members are encouraged to stand for election as officers, or to assume chairmanship of a standing committee. Those with questions about serving in those capacities or wishing to make dinner reservations may call 778-3232 or e-mail lgc@wildblue.net.



HUMAN RESPONSE NETWORK

40-hour Domestic Violence Education & Crisis Intervention Class

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