

SPORTS BRIEFS



Jackson's Maddy Jenkins prepares herself for a relay leg in a September meet at the Rec Center. At the 4A state championships last weekend in Gillette she was part of a foursome that took seventh place in the 400 freestyle relay.

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Maddy Jenkins, Rylan Tepe and Caroline Berner to place sixth in the 200-yard medley with a time of 1:57.65.

Jenkins was able to place sixth overall in the 100 breaststroke. In what her coach called her best season yet she was able to add a 12th-place finish in the 200 free to her list of achievements in her first 4A state meet.

Coach Jenkins said Clancy and Jenkins got faster when the stakes were the highest.

"Both of these girls swam faster on the second day than they did on the first," Jenkins said.

Freshman Marissa Allen wasted little time introducing herself to the rest of the state. A strong Friday helped Allen compete in two events Saturday. She finished 12th in the 50 free before placing 12th in the 100 free.

"Marissa showed the state that she isn't going to back down from the 4A challenge," Jenkins said. "She did a great job in her first high school state meet."

Allen was also an integral part of two separate relay teams. She

joined Clancy, Berner and Andrea Zarate on the 200 free relay team that placed sixth.

Allen, Zarate, Jenkins and Tepe then had the biggest result of the weekend in the 400 free relay. The foursome's seventh-place finish helped Jackson narrowly edge Rock Springs to secure the Broncs sixth place overall. The relay team knocked six seconds off its day one time in Saturday's race.

On the diving board it was first-year diver Tori Wolf who represented the Broncs well. Wolf's sixth-place score of 306.2 impressed her coach.

"Tori had an incredible meet this week," Jenkins said. "She was our sole diver on the board and ended up in sixth place. That's hard to believe since she just started diving at the beginning of the season. Super impressive."

Berner and Tepe were able to add to the Broncs' point total. Berner, a senior, placed ninth in the 50 free. Fellow senior Tepe placed 12th in the 100 butterfly.

Jenkins loses swimmers like Berner, Tepe and Clancy in the off-season to graduation. But Jenkins said he hopes this serves as good experience for all the swimmers returning

in 2017.

"This gave us a good baseline for where we are and what we need to do to be successful at the 4A level," he said. "We certainly have our work cut out for us."

"I'm hoping the girls use this experience as motivation for the off season," he said. "Hopefully we'll get some more girls in the water and come back stronger next year."

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4A state swim and dive meet results

1. Campbell County 314
2. Laramie 230
3. Sheridan 203
4. Cheyenne Central 161
5. Green River 127
6. Jackson 89
7. Rock Springs 79
8. Kelly Walsh 74
9. Cheyenne East 52
10. Cheyenne South 40
11. Evanston 20
12. Natrona County 6



Tori Wolf, seen here in September at the Adam Denton Memorial Invitational Meet at the Rec Center, has an impressive showing at the state meet under her belt. The first-year diver took sixth place in Gillette.

Time to sign up for sled hockey

Teton Adaptive Sports will resume its Sled Hockey Program for the 2016-17 season this month. The great thing about sled hockey is that everyone can play. The program is open to all ages and all abilities. The program began in October 2015 with six sleds. The program acquired five more sleds over the summer to help accommodate any and all who are interested. Since the sleds were purchased, adaptive athletes from all over eastern Idaho and western Wyoming have met every other Sunday during the winter at Snow King Ice Arena. Some athletes push themselves and some are assisted by volunteers, including Moose Hockey players. They skate for about 45 minutes before a scrimmage ensues, with instruction from nearly a dozen Moose players. To register and more info contact Liz Acosta at 208-399-2014 or llacosta4@hotmail.com.

Game and Fish gets Alta land

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department announced in a press release Monday that it has teamed up with the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation to secure a new parcel of private land that will provide public access on the west slope of the Teton Range. The acquisition was made possible with a generous donation from the landowner, the van Meerendonk family. The 44-acre parcel just south of Alta will provide key public access to thousands of acres of contiguous public land, including Bureau of Land Management, the Forest Service's Jedediah Smith Wilderness and Grand Teton National Park to the east. The property and surrounding area consists of mountain meadows with aspen and mountain shrubs, providing excellent habitat for elk, moose, mule deer, mountain grouse, songbirds and a full complement of large carnivores including black bear, grizzly bear, mountain lions and wolves. The new Coco Belle van Meerendonk Wildlife Habitat Management Area will be managed for both wildlife habitat and public access by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department. The department plans to construct parking to accommodate trucks with horse trailers.

Babe Force offers classes

The Jackson Hole Babe Force Scholarship Program is designed to offer financial support to women to succeed in the mountains. With help from a Jackson Hole Babe Force Fundraiser the organization raised enough funding to offer six scholarships this year. This application is for four avalanche classes: two Level I courses and two Level II courses. Applicants must answer questions about why they should be selected and submit through Google Docs or send in email or Word document form to jacksonbabeforce@gmail.com. The deadline for applications is Nov. 15. The scholarship will be awarded to two women selected by the Jackson Hole Babe Force board. The winners will receive one fully-paid registration to a Level I or Level II Avalanche Course at the American Avalanche Institute in Jackson. Babe Force will require one blog post and pictures so it can document the experience and brag about the applicants' snow knowledge. Applicants must be a Jackson Hole resident age 16 or older.

Sign up for Nordic camp

Registration for the West Yellowstone (Montana) Fall Training Camp is open at SkiRunBikeMt.com/yellowstone-ski-festival. The options range from one-day to five-day packages focusing on skate and classic technique, touring, racing, coaches workshops and beginner classes during the Yellowstone Ski Festival, Nov. 22-26. The staff will aim to provide a solid understanding of technique and give participants tools and drills to gain efficiency and strength at the camp and throughout the ski season. The coaching staff is a group of Nordic ski professionals that includes retired world-class skiers, coaches and professional instructors.

DEADLINES

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