

Weekly Wrestling Wrap-Up:

# Grizzlies Make Noise Across the State Border

From Cody Werven

Week 2 of the season sent the Pembina County North Grizzlies on the road once again, with stops in Roseau, MN, and Carrington, ND. Five duals, one loaded individual tournament, and a whole lot of statement-making later, PCN returned home with a 3–1 dual record and a perfect 4–0 mark in the Sub-Region.

### Thursday Night Battles in Roseau

Thursday night featured two gritty wins that showcased the Grizzlies’ toughness. PCN edged the host Roseau Rams, 36–34, in a nail-biter before rolling past sub-regional rival Northern Cass, 53–12. Close when it needed to be and dominant when it mattered, exactly the kind of performance championship teams deliver.

### Friday Night Lights in Carrington

Friday night brought a tougher test as the Grizzlies squared off with a Class A powerhouse. PCN steamrolled Class B opponent Minot Bishop Ryan, 69–3, before falling to Minot High, 21–48. Even in defeat, the Grizzlies showed they belong on the mat with the state’s biggest programs.

### Carrington Tournament Turns Into a Gauntlet

The Carrington Tournament quickly became one of the most competitive events of the season. Traditionally a 15-team field, the tournament exploded when Carrington issued a late statewide invite. Ten additional teams answered, including ; Class A Dual Champions Bismarck Legacy and Class B State Dual Runners-up Velva-Garrison, an early favorite for the 2026 Class B state title.

Seven Grizzlies advanced to the quarterfinals. Four reached the semifinals. By championship night, three Grizzlies stood under the bright lights of the finals:

- Oscar Martinez (139)
- Abel Enerson (145B)
- Bryce Carignan (189)

When the dust settled, PCN finished 7th overall, owning the podium against one of the deepest fields they’ll see all season.

### Grizzly Spotlights

**Bryce Carignan** (Jr., 189): delivered a defining moment. Ranked 4th in the state, Carignan faced Velva’s Noah Werner, a returning state placer who beat him a year ago. This time was different. Wrestling with patience, confidence, and control, Carignan flipped the script, earning an 8–4 championship victory and staking his claim as a legitimate title threat.

**Oscar Martinez** (So., 139) continues his breakout season. Still undefeated against Class B competition, Martinez reached the finals after knocking off Mandan standout and two-time Class A placer Kellen Beneke. Calm, aggressive, and technically sharp, Martinez now sits ranked 5th in the state and looks every bit the part of a contender come February.

**Abel Enerson** (Fr., 145) put on a show in one of the tournament’s deepest brackets. Fearless and relentless, Enerson wrestled his way to the finals, earning runner-up honors and proving that the future of PCN wrestling is already here.

**Gavin Symington** (Sr., 215) battled his way to 7th, highlighted by a gritty win over Velva-Garrison’s Jayden Foss. Ranked 7th in the state, Symington showed why he’s one of the toughest big men around.

**Aiden Werner** (Jr., 172) continues to heat up. After a slow start, the multi-sport standout went 6–2 on the week, finishing 5th in a stacked bracket and showing major growth.

**Oakley Brown** (So., 133) and Henry Kennitz (Fr., 127) both finished 5th, each displaying noticeable improvement, toughness, and a growing confidence that bodes well for PCN’s depth.

### Who’s Next?!

The Grizzlies aim to head into winter break undefeated in the Sub-Region, with challenges looming from Hillsboro, Grafton, and Rugby. Hillsboro visits the rowdy Cavalier Gymnasium for what promises to be a rivalry showdown, followed by a quad in Rugby and the Grafton Invitational, where PCN has its sights set on more hardware.

This group represents more than just wins and losses, they represent grit, pride, and the heart of Pembina County. From Cavalier/Walhalla to every gym they step into, the Grizzlies wrestle with purpose and leave it all on the mat. As the season continues to unfold, the message to the region is loud and clear: Pembina County North is built for battles and built to last.

### Mauler of the Week

#### Oscar “The Golden Boy” Martinez

Respected by fans, loved by teammates, and feared by opponents, Martinez went 7–1 on the week and has become an automatic six points in duals. Opponents don’t just have to beat Oscar Martinez, they have to survive him, and very few have managed to do either this season. The fire burns hot and it’s contagious in the Grizzly locker room.

## Girls Basketball

HATTON-NORTHWOOD .....35  
PARK RIVER/F-L .....30

### Halftime

Hatton-Northwood .....16  
Park River/F-L .....16

### Scoring

**Hatton-Northwood** - Abby Padilla 9, Elizabeth Pinke 9, Izzy Padilla 8, Natalie Naastad 4, Jenna Groven 4, Anike Pinke 1.

**Park River/Fordville-Lankin** – Lilly Skibicki 8, Molly Moen 5, Charley Moen 4, Nora Wharam 4, Ruby Hagen 4, Allison Gudmunson 3, Alexis Miller 2.

LANGDON AREA-MUNICH.....63  
CAVALIER.....39

### Halftime

Langdon Area-Munich .....32  
Cavalier .....20

### Scoring

**Langdon Area-Munich** - AryAnna Schaefer 18, Mya Swanson 2, Erika Bakke 5, Kemi Morstad 2, Hilary Haaven 16, Taya Feist 8, Chloe Koons 3, Hallie Overby 6

**Cavalier** – Nevaeh Schroeder 3, Colbie Furstenau 3, Sara Jensen 6, Codi Stauffenecker 15, Katy Jensen 12

CENTRAL CASS .....56  
LANGDON AREA-MUNICH.....45

### Halftime

Central Cass .....23  
Langdon Area-Munich .....23

### Scoring

**Central Cass** - Abby Kolbervay 5, Kenley Haug 24, Olivia Siverson 8, Morgan Wald 3, Keelyn Flanagan 4, Jaci Verkuehlen 4, Adrien Hintameisted 3, Addison Hushka 5

**Langdon Area-Munich** - AryAnna Schaefer 1, Mya Swanson 1, Maci Gage 3, Erika Bakke 12, Kemi Morstad 6, Hilary Haaven 7, Taya Feist 7, No. 20, Hallie Overby 5

## Boys Basketball

NORTH BORDER .....61  
NORTHERN CASS .....59

LANGDON AREA-MUNICH.....72  
CAVALIER.....54

### Scoring

**Langdon Area-Munich** - Schaeffer 23, Henderson 12, Mitchell 7, Swanson 7, Stremick 7, C. McDonald 6, Downs 5, Pankratz 3, T. McDonald 2

**Cavalier** - Gunderson 13, Stauffenecker 12, Pelletier 12, Stevenson 8, Heuchert 7. J. Gagner 2

DRAYTON/V-E .....56  
ST. JOHN .....49

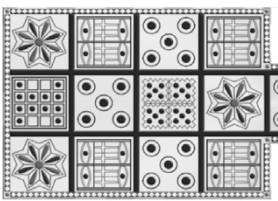
PARK RIVER/F-L .....64  
HATTON-NORTHWOOD .....54

GRAFTON.....88  
HARVEY-WELLS COUNTY .....44

## Fun Fact

The “Royal Game of Ur” is the oldest playable board game found in the world so far. In 1922, Sir Leonard Wooley led a team that discovered two sets of this game in a tomb near the site of ancient Ur, in southern Iraq. It has been dated to be roughly 4,600 years old.

Sources: gamecabinet.com, gdekeys.com, britishmuseum.org



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# FARRMS Farmer Business Planning Course Returns In January, 2026

The Foundation for Agricultural and Rural Resources Management and Sustainability (FARRMS) is accepting applications for their Farm Beginnings® course, beginning on January 8, 2026 and running through April 2, 2026. Farm Beginnings® is a 12-week course that delivers community-based sustainable agriculture education, guided by local farmers who view farming as a holistic lifestyle. Farmers will receive guidance in crafting a whole farm plan and will be connected to essential resources for farm success. Participants will attend weekly, online classes via Zoom on Thursday evenings from 6:00pm to 8:00pm (CT). Applications are open now until December 27, 2025. Registration is \$25 per student, and tuition is \$500 per farm. Scholarships are available. For more information and to apply, visit [farms.org/succeed](https://farms.org/succeed).

This course is tailored for beginning farmers who are in their first ten years of farming, experiencing a transition phase, or scaling up their operations. It provides a comprehensive toolkit of insights and practical resources suitable for farmers, ranchers, and food business owners at different stages of their journey by discussing vision and values, financial and business planning, sustainable farming practices, marketing to connect with customers, farm food safety, and much more. Our community-based model gives participants the opportunity to learn directly from experienced North Dakota producers not only in class, but by connecting one-on-one through mentorship.

Farm Beginnings helps new and beginning farmers build a strong foundation for their business. A 2025 student says, "It was nice to hear a variety of types of farming but also to know that some shared the same vision and struggles and some that have overcome these as well." Another recent participant adds, "The course provided great resources and mentorship to enhance my knowledge and overcome challenges." If you are ready to take your farm business to the next level, consider taking this course and apply today! Please reach out to Farmer Educator, Jake Callander, at [jcallander@farms.org](mailto:jcallander@farms.org) with any questions.

FARRMS is a 501c3 nonprofit providing education, peer networks, and financial support to beginning farmers and ensuring their success through business planning education, mentorship, internship opportunities, and more. For more information about FARRMS contact [info@farms.org](mailto:info@farms.org), call 701-877-1794 or learn more about our programs at [farms.org](https://farms.org), on Facebook, and Instagram @farms.nd.

# ND Game & Fish Update

## Fish House Regulations

Any fish house left unoccupied on North Dakota waters must be made of materials that allow it to float. In addition, fish houses do not require a license.

Other fish house regulations include:

- Occupied structures do not require identification. However, any unoccupied fish house must have an equipment registration number issued by the North Dakota Game and Fish Department, or the owner's name, and either an address or telephone number, displayed on its outside in readily distinguishable characters at least 3 inches high.
- Fish houses may not be placed closer than 50 feet in any direction to another house without consent of the occupant of the other fish house.
- Beginning March 15, unoccupied fish houses must be off the ice by midnight each day.

## Free Ice Fishing Weekend

North Dakota’s free ice fishing weekend is Dec. 27-28. Resident anglers may fish those two days without a license. Residents 15 and younger do not need a fishing license at any time of year. All other winter fishing regulations apply.

The weekend provides a great opportunity to try fishing for the first time or take someone new.

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## PEMBINA COUNTY COURTHOUSE WILL BE CLOSED

Wednesday,  
Thursday, & Friday,  
Dec. 24th, 25th, & 26th  
IN OBSERVANCE OF  
CHRISTMAS!

variety owner rights under Plant Variety Protection (PVP). The violations were discovered during a regulatory audit.

Seed Commissioner Ken Bertsch commented, “The Seed Department takes its responsibility regarding variety protection issues very seriously. A healthy, vibrant and profitable seed industry depends on variety developers, seed growers and retailers, and the agricultural public all following state and federal laws that protect variety owner’s rights. The industry is also highly dependent on the orderly and legal transfer of seed technology.”

“Farmers depend on the development of new and improved varieties of all crops for profitability in their operations. This cannot happen if variety protections are not honored or seeds are illegally transferred and misused. I liken illegal propagation as theft of property- everyone involved in the seed system from owner, to grower, to seller loses a sale as a result of seed piracy.”

This case includes the largest seed regulatory penalty ever paid in the state of North Dakota. The Seed Department will continue to regulate and enforce state seed laws, and will notify variety owners of violations found by the Department during the course of regulatory audits and examinations.

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**Cavalier Chronicle Office Hours**  
**Monday - Thursday**  
8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Friday**  
8 a.m. to Noon

# Christmas at Borg

## A Holiday Tradition

*Please join Borg Home in celebrating the Birth of Christ at their annual Christmas Service!*

**December 23rd, 2025 at 7PM**  
**Borg Home in Mountain, ND**

- Service of Scripture & Carols
- Music led by United Lutheran Church Joyful Noise Praise Band
- Christmas Lunch provided by Thingalla, Vidalin & Svold

ALL ARE WELCOME!

We Wish You A Merry Christmas ...  
We Wish You A Merry Christmas...  
We Wish You A Merry Christmas  
...And A Happy New Year!

*With glad tidings to you and your loved ones wherever you may go this special holiday season.*

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*Michael Such, Director*

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# ~MERRY~ Christmas

FROM THE  
**CAVALIER EQUIPMENT FAMILY**

Kyle, Trudy, Kevin, Wayne, Chad, Jody, Chris, Dan, Grant, Gordy, Ian, Terry, Tim, William, Brandon, Andrew, Hunter, Bradley, Nick, Randy, Kayden, Ozzie  
— CAVALIER —

## Jingle Bells... Jingle Bells...

*Here's hoping your holiday season finds you laughing all the way! Merry Christmas and many thanks for your generous support.*

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& Employees  
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& Park River, ND