Boys tennis packs in three matches in preparation for districts

By Rongi Yost Correspondent

The boys tennis team had a week packed full, with three matches to help them prepare for the district championships. Sisters edged Klamath Union (KU) 10-8 in sets won on Tuesday, May 5, and at home three days later defeated Mt. View 5-3. On Saturday, the Outlaws had a very rough day, and were blanked 0-8 at Ridgeview.

The home match against KU on Tuesday was very close, with both teams posting four wins, but the Outlaws prevailed with sets won.

The key individual match of the day was at No. 1 singles, where Colin Reinert defeated Hayden Lam 7-6 (7-5) 6-3 in a very hardfought match. Lam is the son of the KU coach, and boasts a tremendous forehand, and a very good serve. Hayden won the district doubles tournament last year and hopes to repeat this year. Lam chose to play against Reinert in No. 1 singles to tune up his doubles game.

"Colin won by playing superb defense, and was moving better on the court than I've seen him move all year," said Coach Bim Gander. "He was able to run down powerful shots from the Lam

forehand. He did extremely well to win the match."

Jonny Gurney defeated David Marsden 7-6 (7-5), 6-3 in a very close match. The key in Gurney's match was the tie-breaker. Jonny came back from a 4-0 deficit and won in a great comeback.

Connor Schaab, who usually plays singles, teamed up with Billy Biggers, his doubles partner from last year. The duo won big at No. 2 doubles against Gabe Johnson and Michael Ferns with a score of 7-5, 6-1.

Ben Johnson and Gabe Willitts rounded out the wins at No. 3 doubles, with an easy 6-2, 6-2 victory over Riley Sommers and Adam Rooney.

Gander said, "We have three doubles teams that are very comparable in ability. This means that Ethan (Stengel) and Shawn (Horton), who play No. 1, always have a tough row to hoe, but that makes it easier for our No. 2 and No. 3 doubles teams.'

Andrew Stengel and Gus Gyorgyfalvy had a very close match against Matt Osgood and Nic Maurer at No. 4 doubles. The combo put out a great effort and won the first set 6-2. They lost the second set 1-6, and then fell 8-10 in the super-tie-breaker.

"The fact that these guys

won the first set was sufficient to give us the team win," said Gander.

Three days later, against Mr. View, the Outlaws swept the singles matches for the first time this season.

Reinert (No. 1 singles) dominated play in his 6-2, 6-1 win over Grant Miller.

'Colin's experience was clearly evident," stated Gander. "No matter what his opponent threw at him, he managed it, and dealt with it very effectively."

Michael Commins (No. 2 singles) easily defeated John Pfister 6-2, 6-1.

"Michael was super steady, and had absolute great footwork," said Gander. 'Putting yourself in the right position to make the shot

is critical, and Michael has really improved dramatically in that respect."

Gurney (No. 3 singles) posted the same score as his teammates at the No. 1 and No. 2 spot, with a 6-2, 6-1 win over his opponent, Tye Leahy.

"Jonny is a great athlete, and his movement on the court overcomes his lack of experience," commented Gander.

Pierce Wehrle rounded out the singles wins at the No. 4 spot, with his 6-1, 6-1 win over Connor Davenport.

"Pierce usually plays doubles, and this was his first time at singles," said Gander. "It was just extraordinary how well he converted. I thought it would be difficult for him, but it turned out to be a piece of cake."

Schaab and Biggers, who splits his time between tennis and track, played at No. 2 doubles for just the second time this season. The combo easily prevailed against Adi Wolfenden and Austin Pfeifer in a final score of 6-0, 6-1.

"Their experience from playing together last year continued," said Gander. "They continued without a beat and overwhelmed their opponents. These guys started last year at No. 4 doubles, and rose to the No. 2 spot, and they are better than ever. They picked up right where they left off last year."

Sisters wrapped up their week with a 0-8 loss at Ridgeview.



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Thursday~May 14

Hood Avenue Art One-Act Plays with The Patchwork Players 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. \$10 donation for Circle of Friends. Beverages for purchase from Bend Distillery. Info: 541-719-1800 or hoodavenueart.com.

Friday~May 15

Paulina Springs Books Author Reading with Molly Gloss, "Falling from Horses" 6:30 p.m. With refreshments. \$5 entry refunded upon purchase of the featured book. For info call 541-549-0866 or go to paulinasprings.com.

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Saturday~May 16

The Belfry Live Music with Steve Poltz & Grant Lee Phillips 7 to 10 p.m. Presented by the Sisters Folk Festival. \$20 for adults and \$15 youth. For tickets and more information go to sistersfolkfestival.org or call 541-549-4979.

Sisters Elementary School Commons Pie Social

6:30 p.m. Don't miss the annual fundraising event for the Cloverdale Livestock 4-H Club. Find your favorite sweet treat at the baked goods auction. Proceeds go to club activities and community service projects. For more information contact Pam at 541-771-4979...

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Civil War Council. For details & directions: civilwaroregon.com. Sunday~May 17

House on Metolius Meadow Civil War Renactment 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Adults \$8, seniors/ students \$5 (age 6 and under free); parking \$5 per vehicle Demos, parade, battles & more. Presented by the NW Civil War Council. For details & directions: civilwaroregon.com.

Monday~May 18

The Belfry Benefit for **Good Samaritan School** & Ugandan Village of Kiwangala 6 to 8 p.m. Free (donations appreciated)! Learn about the recent SHS Project Uganda visit. There will be African craft items for sale, and the school's director Osborn Muyanja will share. For info call Heather, 541-639-2969.

Wed.~May 20

The Belfry Annual Luncheon **Benefit for Circle of Friends** 12 to 1 p.m. Donations welcome. Come learn about all that Circle of Friends is doing, and being a mentor in Sisters. Info or RŠVP: 541-588-6445 or acircleoffriendsoregon.com.

Friday~May 22

Paulina Springs Books Author Reading & Slideshow with Bob Welch, "Cascade Summer" 6:30 p.m. Enjoy Welch's talk about his adventure on the John Muir & Pacific Crest Trails. \$5 entry refunded upon purchase of the featured book. 541-549-0866 or paulinasprings.com.

Clearwater Gallery Reception for 4th Friday Art Stroll 4 to 6 p.m. Featuring the art of Chris Nelson and E. & A. Wentzel. Enjoy wine & appetizers. 541-549-4994 or go to theclearwatergallery.com.

Hood Avenue Art Artists' Reception & Live Music with Dave Skelton & Friends 4 to 7 p.m. Enjoy refreshments for the gallery's 1-year anniversary! 541-719-1800 or go to hood avenueart.com.

Ken Scott's Imagination Gallery Kick-off Celebration for Sisters Arts Association 5 p.m. Join the party! For more information call 541-549-6472.

Saturday~May 23

Sisters Fire Hall 4th Annual Sisters Kiwanis Antiques & **"Bling" Sale** 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Don't miss the one-day event for great items and great deals! Proceeds go to scholarships for Sisters students. For more info call Karen 541-480-1412.

HarmonyHouse Benefit Concert for the Jakab Family with Dennis McGregor & The Spoilers 7:30 p.m. To celebrate the life of Dennis Jakab, suggested donation \$15 to \$20. Doors open at 7 p.m. For more info call Gerry Woodard at 541-419-5858

Stitchin' Post Ouilt Show **Poster Signing with Dennis** McGregor 1 to 4 p.m. Dennis will sign this year's poster, "A Timeless Tapestry." Info: 541-549-6061 or stitchinpost.com.

Blazin Saddles 5th Anniversary & Block Party 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Join the celebration! 541-719-1213 or blazinsaddleshub.com.

Sunday~May 24

Camp Sherman Community Hall Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser 8 to 11 a.m. for all-you-can-eat pancakes, ham, eggs, OJ & coffee. \$8 adults, \$5 kids 5 to 10 (free under 5). A fundraiser for Friends of the Metolius. 541-595-2719.

Peterson Ridge Trail & **FivePine campus Sisters Stampede** OBRA-sanctioned mountain bike race. Cash prizes and after-party at Three Creeks Brewing Co. Register at sistersstampede.com.

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