Outlaws take league opener

By Rongi Yost Correspondent

The Lady Outlaws volleyball team opened league play with sweeps over Sutherlin and Sweet Home. They look to be the team to beat this season.

On Tuesday, the Outlaws smoked Sutherlin in a clean sweep with scores of 25-14, 25-14, and 25-13. The Bulldogs lost a lot of players from a very strong squad from last year. Sisters was able to get their bench quite a bit of playing time, and their starters were able to try out some different plays on offense, and rest up for another long week: another match on Thursday, and the Sisters Invitational Tournament on Saturday.

The Outlaws had consistent play from setters Hawley Harrer and Alex Hartford throughout the match. It was hard for Sisters to get into a groove, since they were not able to play at the speed they are accustomed to.

Harrer led the squad with 17 kills, followed by Allie Spear, who recorded eight. Alex Hartford dished out 21 assists and Hawley Harrer posted 17. Jessie Brigham led the defense with 21 digs in the match.

Coach Jason Myhre said, "We need games like this to test us, and see where we are at with setting momentum, rather than letting the other team set the momentum. We are getting better at it each game, but have places to work on."

Two days later, Sisters had a great performance at the service line, which led to their quick sweep over the Huskies. The Outlaws went 60/75 from the line. Brigham was 16/18 with four aces, Spear was 12/14 with one ace, and Kendra Sitz was 9-for-9 with one ace.

Hartford and Harrer combined for 30 assists. Spear had 11 kills and Harrer added nine. Brigham contributed 16 digs and was 22-for-27 on servereceive, and Spear finished 13-for-15 on serve-receive.

The entire bench got to see time on the court, and did an outstanding job. Sitz went in and was perfect from the line, and passed the ball well in serve-receive. Sydney Head stepped in to take on courtcoverage on serve-receive to help close out the final five points of the match.

Peytan Zanck and Brooke Knirk didn't see much action in the middle, but both froze blockers, and contributed on defense at the net.

Cassidy Ling-Scott and Emma Houck have been sharing time on the right side during most matches, but got to see some time on the left side this match.

Myhre said, "This was a great game for our whole bench to see some playing time. The starters were not able to get the stats that they are used to, but they did a great job sitting on the bench cheering on their teammates. I'm really proud of our players coming off the bench and jumping right into play.

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"It was another great serving game, with Coach (Brad) Bulloch pressuring the girls to hit some tough spots and they were lights-out on that. This team does amazing, and they are learning to control their game, no matter the opposition level. It was also great to see the leaders on the team step off the court from playing, and just lead from the bench. That showed great character, when they are into building up their teammates as much as they are about building up their stats."

Myhre noted that Sweet Home was a great opponent and demonstrated a lot of heart on the court.

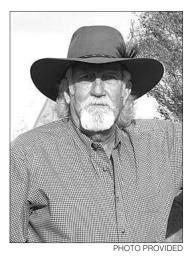
The Outlaws were to play at Sutherlin on Tuesday, September 22. Sisters will play at home against Junction City on Thursday, September 24, and will participate in the Mt. View Volleyball Tournament on Saturday.

Steber will read from 'A Better Man'

Author Rick Steber will read from and sign his newest book, "A Better Man," Friday, October 9, at 6:30 p.m. at Paulina Springs Books in Sisters.

The book is the true story of Dave Franke, a simple cowboy who believed in the American Dream, started a construction company, and achieved great success due to the building boom here in Central Oregon. But when the recession hit, he lost everything and slid into alcoholism.

After a direct experience of God in the desert, Dave decided to fight his demon. Dave and his wife Peggy will also be present at the event. Refreshments will be served. The \$5 admission will be



Rick Steber will read at Paulina Springs Books.

refunded upon purchase of the featured book.

Paulina Springs Books is located at 252 W. Hood Ave. For more information call 541-549-0866.

Climber dies in fall on Three Fingered Jack

Twenty-two-year-old Tyler Jeffery Heilman of Bend died Sunday in a fall while climbing Three Fingered Jack west of Sisters.

Authorities reported that Heilman fell 500 to 600 feet at about 1:50 p.m. He was climbing with a friend at about 7,700 feet, near the summit. He was reportedly not wearing rope restraints.

A helicopter crew for the Oregon Air National Guard located Heilman's body at about 6:45 p.m.



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