

Girls lacrosse wraps up week with win

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The Lady Outlaws fell 18-7 in a tough battle against Summit on Monday, April 15, but at home on Saturday they were a force to be reckoned with in their 16-3 win over Thurston.

In the loss to the Storm on Monday, Olivia Hougham made an outstanding goal for the Outlaws in the first half, when she received an assist from Mary Root as she cut through the eight meter. Olivia continued her cut through the eight, grabbed the ball, and quick-sticked it in without stopping.

In the second half, the highlight for the Outlaws was a goal from Kaylee Huber. Kaylee wrapped the crease and took a low shot after fighting off a tough double team.

As the game progressed,

the Outlaws continued to fall further behind, and with 14 minutes left in the game Coach Shelby Wilcox called a time out.

“Losing by 11 points can be hard, and I could tell they were struggling mentally with the game,” said Wilcox. “After a pep talk, I told them to forget the score and go have fun again. We were able to play some really beautiful lacrosse to close out a very difficult game.”

Mary Root scored a hat trick for the Outlaws, and Hougham, Huber, Reese Harwell, Skylar Wilkins tallied one goal each.

On Saturday, the Outlaws’ offense was firing on all cylinders. Root scored Sisters’ first goal in the first 30 seconds of the contest, and it snowballed from there.

Seven different players contributed in the scoring effort. Pearl Gregg led the

Outlaws with five goals and five groundballs. Root scored four goals, had four groundballs, four draw controls, and four caused turnovers. Ellie Cook recorded three goals, and Olivia Hougham, Sydney Head, Wilkins, and Faith Hougham each added one. Head also had four groundballs and eight draw controls.

One of Gregg’s standout goals came in the first half. A Thurston player fouled Pearl between the restraining line and the 12, and Pearl went one-on-one with the goalie. She had a beautiful shot into the middle-left side for the score. At the close of the first half, the Outlaws were on top 15-3.

Sisters scored one additional goal in the final half and held Thurston scoreless. The Outlaws’ second-half goal came from Root. Mary was alone in the eight meter when she received the ball



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Sydney Head moves up the field for the Outlaws.

from Wilkins and shot the ball between the goalie’s legs.

Wilcox said, “I’m so happy to see the girls trying things we work really hard on in practice and put it on the field. It’s not always executed perfectly, but they are pushing themselves to move

the ball better and be smart about their play, and it’s beginning to show.”

The Outlaws will travel to Bend United on Wednesday, April 24, and will hit the road again on Friday for a game at Crescent Valley. They will end the week with a game at South Eugene on Saturday.

Girls tennis had full week of matches

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The Lady Outlaws beat Stayton 5-3 at home in Sisters on Tuesday, April 16. The Outlaws won all four of their doubles matches, and also got a win at No. 2 singles. A day later, it was a completely different story as the Outlaws fell 0-8 to Philomath. On Thursday, the team bounced back and posted a 6-2 win on the road at Woodburn.

In Tuesday’s action, Ramsey Schar was the lone singles winner with her 6-1, 6-1, victory over Megan Campbell. Schar played with intensity and desire and was able to strategically place the ball around the court. Coach Alan VonStein told *The Nugget* that Ramsey has made great improvement in her game and shows great promise going forward.

Hallie Schwartz and Kendra Sitz (No. 1 doubles) beat Piper Feres and Kalista Saymo 6-2, 6-4. The duo have just started to play together; they were very aggressive at the net and did an incredible job.

Mattie Mynatt and Alexa Asson (No. 2 doubles) posted a 6-4 win in their first set against Jolene and Elaine Kuenzi. In the second set, they went to a 6-6 tie and then fell 5-7 in the tiebreak. The duo battled back and took the match with a 6-3 win in the final set.

VonStein said, “Mattie and Alexa are starting to communicate and work well



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Ellie Wood focuses on a shot in doubles.

together. They missed some easier shots which will come later a they continue to play together and focus on post-season play.”

Lauren Fitzke and Sophie Silva (No. 3 doubles) showed a lot of grit and determination in their match. The sophomore duo won their first set 6-4 against opponents Izzy Niefer and Hannah Mitzel, but then fell 3-6 in the second. In the final set, they were down 2-5, but battled back to tie it at 6-6, and then forged ahead to win 7-5 in the tiebreaker.

At No. 4 doubles, Ellie Rush and Molly Winter won 6-4, 6-3, against Megan Sebens and Daisy Tryico. They pair were aggressive at the net in just their second time together as a combo.

The Outlaws rallied after their loss to Philomath on

Wednesday, and posted a nice win at Woodburn on Thursday.

Kendra Sitz and Holly Wertz tallied wins for Sisters in singles play. Sitz (No. 2) beat Jaruth Jimanez 6-2, 6-2. Kendra is a utility player for the Outlaws and can play singles or doubles. VonStein told *The Nugget* that Kendra has confidence in her shot and surprises her opponents with her quickness and moves to the net. Holly defeated Stephanie Perez 6-2, 6-6,(7-5), in one of her best matches of the season. Holly played steady throughout the match, had good footwork, and was aggressive at the net.

Sisters swept Woodburn in all four doubles spots.

Asson and Mynatt (No, 1 doubles) defeated Solao and

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