

Girls soccer squad splits games

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The Outlaws fell by a score of 0-4 at home against 6A Summit on Tuesday, March 16, but came back strong two days later to post a 4-0 shutout at home against Stayton.

On Tuesday, the Outlaws played the very talented 6A Summit Storm. The Outlaws played with heart and intensity from the first whistle until the end of the game. They had opportunities, but were unable to convert.

"Summit brought a higher-paced game and their speed and experience challenged us," said Coach Brian Holden. "I'm proud of the girls stepping on the field against this level of competition they've never had to face before. They played with class and sportsmanship."

On Thursday, the Outlaws posted a shutout over the Eagles. Sisters scored three goals in the first half.

Sisters did a good job of advancing the ball down the field. Marley Holden had a header assist to Anya Shockley who scored inside the 18-yard box. Shockley made a nice pass to Hollie Lewis for Sisters' second goal to put the Outlaws up 2-0. The final goal of the first half came when the ball was passed out of the back to freshman Katie Ryan. Ryan dribbled the ball and took on the outside back, cut to the



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The Lady Outlaws have been making a solid showing on the soccer pitch this season. They struggled against Summit, but later shut out Stayton.

front of the goal and launched the ball into the lower right corner of the net. At the half Sisters held a 3-0 advantage.

The second half was more evenly matched. Stayton was aggressive and possessed the ball more than they had in the first half, and Holden told *The Nugget* that it was a good test for the Outlaws defense.

No second-half goals were scored until the final 10 minutes of the game. Isabelle Schiller advanced the ball up the left side and tried to cross in front of the goal. A handball was awarded and Lewis took the penalty kick. Hollie converted and the 4-0 score held to the end of the contest.

"The girls established the tempo of the game in the first 10 minutes by being first to the ball and contesting every 50/50 opportunity, which in turn led them to control the

pace the entire game."

Holden made note of keeper Josie Patton and outside backs Maggie Lutz and Maddie Symonds.

"Josie had strong hands and confidence in communication which helped her Outlaws to a shutout in the rain against an always difficult Stayton team," the coach said. "And Maggie and Maddie did a good job of distributing out of the back and containing their opponents."

Sisters was to play at home against Philomath on Tuesday, March 23. They will travel to Sweet Home on Thursday, March 25.

Outlaws football took a hard fall at Sweet Home

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The Outlaws went from a big win last week against Harrisburg to a hard fall at Sweet Home this week, in a final score of 38-6 on Friday, March 19.

Sweet Home boasts a big offensive line, including Tanner Waldrop, who is 6'5" and 320 pounds. The Huskies offensive line were easily able to push the Outlaws defensive line around. Sweet Home senior quarterback Aiden Tyler is athletic and accurate on his throws, and senior running back Cade Gaskey (6'1" 215 pounds) is a big, powerful runner. Both these players were offensive weapons for the Huskies and played a big part in their win.

Sisters struggled throughout the game and made numerous mistakes, including committing five fumbles.

Both teams suffered penalties on both sides of the ball in the first quarter and the period ended with the score 0-0.

The Huskies put up 22 points in the second quarter

to go up 22-0 at the half. Sisters' fullback Hunter Spor sprained his ankle late in the quarter, which was a big loss for the Outlaws.

Sweet Home tacked on 11 points in the third to finish the quarter with a commanding 33-0 lead. Quarterback Griffin Gardner scored on fourth and goal from the two-yard line for Sisters' lone goal of the contest.

On the bright side, Sisters' Wyatt Maffey had a strong game on defense. Wyatt had eight tackles in the contest, five of them solo. He also tipped a pass, and had a fumble recovery. Gardner had a good night running the ball.

The Outlaws will play at Siuslaw on Friday, March 26.

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