

Prep Golf

Bucks breeze to home tourney victory

Shelby Greb gets better of sister to take top spot

East Oregonian

PENDLETON — For the first time in their high school careers, Shelby Greb out-shot sister Haley Greb, winning the Buckaroos home tournament at the Pendleton Country Club.

Shelby, a junior, carded a 2-over 74, while her younger sister came in two strokes back at 4-over par 76.

The sisters strong day on the links paced the Buckaroos to the team victory. Pendleton finished 36 strokes better than second-place La Grande at the four-team tournament. Hermiston came in third, while Baker was fourth.

Pendleton has improved its team score in each of its four tournament outings this season. The Bucks have taken 40 strokes off their first appearance of the year at The Dalles CC.

“As long as the progress is downward, then I’m happy with it,” Pendleton coach Teri Prouse said.

Senior Whitney Bahrns turned in a strong showing to finish seventh with a 25-over 97 to finish third for Pendleton. Her sister Britney Bahrns was 11th.

Sydney Adams was the top Bulldog finisher. Adams finished in sixth place. Hermiston had three others finish in the top 10 at the 19-player tournament. Pendleton returns to the links Monday at Broken Top Golf Course in Bend.

Pendleton Invite
Thursday,
Pendleton Country Club, Par 72
Team scores: 1, Pendleton 367; 2, La Grande 403; 3, Hermiston 421; 4, Baker 519.
Individuals: 1, Shelby Greb, PHS, 74; 2, Haley Greb, PHS, 76; 3, Trinity Miles, LG, 90; 4, Kaylie Miles, LG, 93; 5, Anna Seymour, LG, 94; 6, Sydney Adams, HHS, 94; 7, Whitney Bahrns, PHS, 97; 8, Grace Blackhurst, HHS, 104; 9, Saige Smith, HHS, 110; 10, B. Hayden, HHS, 113; 11, Britney Bahrns, PHS, 126; 12, McKenzie Lind, HHS, 121; 18, Kendell Blair, PHS, 139.

PENDLETON: Tigers held off scoreboard after 1st

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the Tigers (5-7), but the Buckaroos held La Grande off the scoreboard in the next five innings. Cockburn and Wes Persinger each pitched scoreless frames after Smith exited in the third.

Pendleton completed the run-rule win with a four-run sixth inning. Three of the runs came on Tiger mistakes. La Grande made two of their five errors in the sixth and plated another on a wild pitch.

Pendleton opens league play at Hood River Valley on April 18.

PENDLETON 16, LA GRANDE 4 (6 innings)

		R	H	E	
PHS	605014	—	16	17	3
LG	400000	—	4	5	5

Brady Smith, Quinn Cockburn (4), Wes Persinger (6) and Zack Myers. Jake Workinger, Brad Bell (3) and Jared Rodgers.
2B — Jack Peterson (PHS); Q. Cockburn (PHS); J. Rodgers (LG).
3B — James Bradt (PHS); Kai Quinn (PHS).

MLB

A-Rod homers for first time since suspension

Rodriguez hits HR No. 655 in loss

By MIKE FITZPATRICK
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Alex Rodriguez proved he’s still a power threat at age 39. Daniel Norris demonstrated he’s more than just a curious character living out of an old van.

Rodriguez hit his first home run since serving a yearlong drug suspension, but the Toronto Blue Jays beat the New York Yankees 6-3 Thursday night in the first major league win for the eccentric Norris.

“The main focus is baseball. Winning ballgames, like tonight,” Norris said. “So if I can keep going out there performing like I did tonight, hopefully I’ll put that stuff behind me.”

Edwin Encarnacion homered and the Blue Jays got RBI singles from Jose Reyes and Kevin Pillar in a four-run second inning against CC Sabathia. Toronto took two of three in the season-opening series, boosting its record at Yankee Stadium to



AP Photo/Frank Franklin II

New York Yankees’ Alex Rodriguez celebrates with teammates after hitting a home run during the sixth inning of a baseball game against the Toronto Blue Jays on Thursday in New York.

7-30 since May 24, 2011.

On another raw and rainy night in the Bronx, Rodriguez led off the sixth by launching a high fastball deep into the left-field seats for his 655th career homer.

Rodriguez, moved up to second in the lineup against a lefty, tossed his bat aside and rounded the bases

without any fanfare, though the drive invigorated a sparse crowd announced at 32,152.

“I felt like I needed a Google map to run the bases, it’s been so long,” Rodriguez said. “Anything I can do this year is going to be a surprise, even for me.”

It was A-Rod’s first home run since Sept. 20, 2013. The three-

BUCKS: Richards goes 4-for-6 with five RBIs

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need to give her a chance in a varsity game.”

It was probably the last chance she was going to get this season.

“In our first couple scrimmages of the year in early March when it’s still cold she threw a couple times, and didn’t throw very well,” Cary said. “I think she was very nervous, young, and the weather wasn’t great. We knew she didn’t give her best that time, or show us everything, so we probably better give her another shot at it and she certainly didn’t waste the opportunity this time that’s for sure.”

Brehaut also hit a double during Pendleton’s nine-run fourth inning that sealed the win, but then had to travel across town to pitch the final freshman game of her high school career.

Following the second game Cary also named junior Kiersten Murphy and freshman Lauren Richards to the varsity staff, meaning junior Gracie Lyon and sophomore Bailey Hillmick will be asked to share innings for the junior varsity going forward.

The girls were visibly crestfallen by the decision, but Cary said they shouldn’t give up their varsity dreams for this season.

“They’re going to do all they can to keep impressing down there and then we’ll bring



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Pendleton’s Darian Lindsey steals secondbase as La Grande’s Britney Bertrand waits for teh ball and Brandy Bickman backs up the play Thursday in the Bucks’ 12-2 win against the Tigers in the first game of a doubleheader in Pendleton.

them up at the end of the season,” he said. “We brought up a couple (players) last season that became starters for us right up through the championship game. It can happen. I hope they understand that when I said that, ‘You’re coming back up, you just have to be patient for another month.’”

Lyon started Game 2 and gave up two runs on three hits, but left with an 8-2 lead in the fourth inning thanks to another big game by Pendleton’s hitters.

After going for 12 hits in the opener, the Bucks (6-6) added

seven more in the closer and jumped out to an early lead with seven runs in the second inning.

Ellie Richards led the day, going 4 for 6 with a walk, two doubles, two runs and five RBIs.

“It was something we needed,” she said after Pendleton snapped a three-game skid. “It built a lot of confidence and we came out strong, we had a lot of energy.”

Pendleton put together back-to-back victories for the first time since a season-opening three-game winning streak.

“This was a good uplifting two games for us,” Cary said.

time MVP ranks fifth on the career list, five behind Willie Mays.

Mark Teixeira homered off Norris (1-0) two batters later, cutting it to 5-3, but Encarnacion hit a long drive against Esmil Rogers in the eighth that banged high off the wall behind the bullpen in left-center, some 430 feet or so from home plate.

Miguel Castro pitched a perfect ninth for his first career save.

Norris wore a knit hat as he walked through the clubhouse hours before the game, but pitched in short sleeves on a 42-degree night.

“It feels weird for me to pitch in sleeves. I’ve just got to keep everything the same,” said Norris, who had his parents in the stands and was given the game ball as a keepsake.

The 21-year-old rookie received plenty of attention in spring training for his unusual, rustic lifestyle — he was living out of his 1978 Volkswagen van in a Wal-Mart parking lot and cooking on a portable stove. Hardly what you would expect from a second-round draft pick who got a multimillion dollar signing bonus.

MOORE: Boise State, Idaho State making push

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and spent countless hours in the gym this off-season to improve her overall skills and to be rewarded with the Baden Player of the Year is special.”

Moore joined the Timberwolves two seasons ago after graduating from Fort Vancouver High School. She made an immediate impact as a freshman, leading the team with 18.4 points per game, best for sixth in the conference. She was named 1st Team All East Region as a freshman.

Major universities have begun to take notice of the 5-foot-8 guard. Just this week Moore received her first two NCAA Division-1 scholarship offers from Boise State and Idaho State. The opportunity to play at the pinnacle of amateur basketball has been moving for Moore.

“It’s definitely a dream come true,” she said. “It shows that just because

of where I came from it doesn’t mean I can’t make it higher.”

Moore intends to visit the two schools in Idaho along with other programs of interest like East Carolina and Oregon in the coming weeks. A decision will come following recruiting trips to each potential suit-or.

“I really appreciate every person that I’ve worked with (at BMCC). They’ve definitely helped me out and I’ve grown a lot,” Moore said.

The honor puts an exclamation point on what has been a terrific year for the BMCC athletic department. The Timberwolves volleyball team won its third consecutive NWAC title this fall. Sophomore outside hitter Sierra Linke was named the Baden Volleyball Player of the Year, giving the T-Wolves the highest individual honors in two major sports this season.

BLAZERS: Aldridge leads way

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Thompson scored 26 to help Golden State avoid its first three-game losing streak this season.

The Warriors (64-15), who have already secured home-court advantage throughout the playoffs because of a tiebreaker over East-leading Atlanta.

LaMarcus Aldridge had 27 points and six re-

bounds, and Damian Lillard added 20 points and eight assists for the Blazers, who have already have locked up the Northwest Division. However, that doesn’t guarantee they’ll get home court in the first round — that’s based on record — and Portland (51-28) fell two games behind the Los Angeles Clippers (53-26).

SCOREBOARD

Local Slate

PREP BASEBALL	
Today	
Umatilla at Nyssa (DH), 1/3 p.m.	
Riverside at Vale (DH), 1/3 p.m.	
Parkrose at Hermiston (DH), 3/5:30 p.m.	
Saturday	
Mac-Hi at La Grande (DH), 11 a.m./1 p.m.	
Weston-McEwen at Irrigon (DH), 11 a.m./1 p.m.	
Pilot Rock at Heppner (DH), 11 a.m./1 p.m.	
Stanfield at Elgin (DH), 1/3 p.m.	

PREP SOFTBALL	
Today	
Umatilla at Nyssa (DH), 1/3 p.m.	
Lakeridge at Hermiston, 3 p.m.	
Saturday	
Mac-Hi at La Grande (DH), 11 a.m./1 p.m.	
Weston-McEwen at Pilot Rock (DH), 11 a.m./1 p.m.	
Culver at Irrigon (DH), 11 a.m./1 p.m.	
Heppner at Burns (DH), 1/3 p.m.	
Echo at Elgin (DH), 1/3 p.m.	

PREP TRACK & FIELD	
Saturday	
Pendleton, Hermiston at Willamette Falls Invite (Oregon City), 10 a.m.	
Riverside, Umatilla, Weston-McEwen, Heppner, Stanfield, Pilot Rock, Irrigon, Arlington, Condon/Wheeler, Helix, Echo at Dick Horyna Invite (Stanfield), 11 a.m.	

PREP BOYS GOLF	
Today	
Heppner, Echo at Wildhorse GC, 10 a.m.	

PREP GIRLS GOLF	
Friday	
Heppner, Echo at Wildhorse GC, 10 a.m.	

PREP BOYS TENNIS	
Today	
Stanfield at Sherman, 2:30 p.m.	
Ione at Mac-Hi, 3 p.m.	
Riverside at Helix, 4 p.m.	

PREP GIRLS TENNIS	
Today	
Stanfield at Sherman, 2:30 p.m.	
Ione at Mac-Hi, 3 p.m.	
Riverside at Helix, 4 p.m.	

PREP RUGBY	
Today	
Eastern Oregon vs Linn Benton (at The Dalles), 6:30 p.m.	

PREP LACROSSE	
Today	
Hermiston at Richland (WA), 7 p.m.	

COLLEGE BASEBALL	
Saturday	
Spokane at Blue Mountain (DH), 1/4 p.m.	

COLLEGE SOFTBALL	
Today	
Blue Mountain at Yakima Valley (DH), 2/4 p.m.	
Eastern Oregon at Northwest (DH), 2/4 p.m.	
Saturday	
Eastern Oregon at Concordia (DH), 11 a.m./1 p.m.	
Blue Mountain at Wenatchee Valley (DH), Noon/2 p.m.	

Basketball	
NBA	
Thursday’s Games	

Chicago 89, Miami 78	
Golden State 116, Portland 105	
Friday’s Games	
Toronto at Orlando, 4 p.m.	
Charlotte at Atlanta, 4:30 p.m.	
Indiana at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.	
Boston at Cleveland, 4:30 p.m.	
Washington at Brooklyn, 4:30 p.m.	
Milwaukee at New York, 4:30 p.m.	
Phoenix at New Orleans, 5 p.m.	
Sacramento at Oklahoma City, 5 p.m.	
San Antonio at Houston, 5 p.m.	
Dallas at Denver, 6 p.m.	
Memphis at Utah, 6 p.m.	
Minnesota at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m.	

Baseball

MLB	
American League Thursday’s Games	
Detroit 7, Minnesota 1	
Kansas City 4, Chicago White Sox 1	
Cleveland 5, Houston 1	
Texas 10, Oakland 1	
Boston 6, Philadelphia 2	
Toronto 6, N.Y. Yankees 3	
Friday’s Games	
Toronto (Buehrle 0-0) at Baltimore (B. Norris 0-0), 12:05 p.m.	
Houston (McHugh 0-0) at Texas (D. Holland 0-0), 1:05 p.m.	
Detroit (Simon 0-0) at Cleveland (McAllister 0-0), 1:10 p.m.	
Minnesota (Milone 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (Noesi 0-0), 1:10 p.m.	
Boston (Miley 0-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Eovaldi 0-0), 4:05 p.m.	
Tampa Bay (Andriese 0-0) at Miami (Haren 0-0), 4:10 p.m.	
Kansas City (J.Vargas 0-0) at L.A. Angels (Santiago 0-0), 7:05 p.m.	
Seattle (T.Walker 0-0) at Oakland (Pomeranz 0-0), 7:05 p.m.	
National League Thursday’s Games	
Cincinnati 3, Pittsburgh 2	
N.Y. Mets 6, Washington 3	
San Francisco 1, San Diego 0, 12 innings	
Boston 6, Philadelphia 2	
Friday’s Games	
Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 0-0) at Colorado (Matzek 0-0), 1:10 p.m.	
Washington (G.Gonzalez 0-0) at Philadelphia (Williams 0-0), 4:05 p.m.	
St. Louis (Lackey 0-0) at Cincinnati (Marquis 0-0), 4:10 p.m.	
Tampa Bay (Andriese 0-0) at Miami (Haren 0-0), 4:10 p.m.	
N.Y. Mets (Niese 0-0) at Atlanta (Stults 0-0), 4:35 p.m.	
Pittsburgh (Locke 0-0) at Milwaukee (Fiers 0-0), 5:10 p.m.	
L.A. Dodgers (Anderson 0-0) at Arizona (Anderson 0-0), 6:40 p.m.	
San Francisco (Lincecum 0-0) at San Diego (Morrow 0-0), 7:10 p.m.	

Golf

PGA	
The Masters Thursday	
At Augusta National Golf Club	
Augusta, Ga.	
Purse: TBA	
Yardage: 7,435; Par: 72 (36-36)	
First Round	
a-denotes amateur	
Jordan Spieth 32-32—64	-8
Charley Hoffman 34-33—67	-5
Justin Rose 33-34—67	-5
Ernie Els 34-33—67	-5
Jason Day 34-33—67	-5
Russ Henley 33-35—68	-4

ATHLETE
— OF THE WEEK —

JULISA GARZA
Junior - Irrigon Softball

Garza earned two wins in the circle (one as a reliever) and hit the game-winning RBI in the second half of a doubleheader that Irrigon won over Heppner 8-4 and 9-8 to begin league play. They were her first two games this season after missing Irrigon’s first six games due to having her tonsils removed.

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