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## Sports shorts

### Rio Olympic ceremonies to be 'low budget'

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — The opening and closing ceremonies for the Rio Olympics and Paralympics will be low-budget productions compared to three years ago in London, or in Beijing in 2008.

Fernando Meirelles, the Brazilian filmmaker and part of the creative team, estimated Tuesday that Rio will spend one-tenth what London did on four major ceremonies.



Meirelles is aware that Brazil is mired in recession, inflation has reached 10 percent and the country is beset with political and economic upheaval.

Meirelles says he would be "ashamed to waste what London spent in a country where we need sanitation" and that he is "very glad we're not spending money like crazy."

London spent about \$104 million at 2012 exchange rates on the four ceremonies.

### Cowboys place Romo on short-term IR

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Cowboys have placed Tony Romo on the injured list with a designation to return, sidelining the

quarterback for at least seven games after he broke his left collarbone against Philadelphia.

Romo will be eligible to return Nov. 22 at Miami. He can practice again in six weeks, starting Nov. 4. Brandon Weeden will start in his place Sunday at home against Atlanta.

Dallas also put defensive tackle Terrell McClain on season-ending injured reserve Tuesday with a toe injury sustained last weekend against the Eagles. And the team signed running back Gus Johnson back to the practice squad after waiving him last week. Johnson takes the spot of linebacker Joe Thomas, who was signed by Green Bay on Monday.

"I had a full physical last year -- I had fantastic health. No high blood pressure. No problems. I'm healthy."

— **Dave Baldwin**  
The Oregon State offensive coordinator who admitted to drinking 16-18 cans of Diet Cokes per day. That's an average of 736-828 mg of caffeine per day—or the equivalent to about three cups of coffee. Baldwin tells ESPN.com that he still gets a normal seven hours of sleep, too.

### THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1979 — St. Louis' Lou Brock steals his 938th base to break Billy Hamilton's record.

1995 — Keyshawn Johnson catches 13 passes for 171 yards, becoming the first player in NCAA history with 12 straight 100-yard receiving games, as Southern California beats Arizona State 31-0.

2007 — Green Bay's Brett Favre wins his NFL-record 150th game as a starter, beating San Diego 31-24. His 240th straight start ties him for second on the all-time list.

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In this Sep. 10, 2015 file photo, BMCC's Klaree Hobart goes down on a knee to dig out the ball in the Timberwolves' 3-2 win against North Idaho College in Pendleton.

Staff photo by E.J. Harris



## PENDLETON

# T-Wolves red hot heading into heart of schedule

BMCC shoots up standings with winning streak

By MATT ENTRUP  
East Oregonian

The Blue Mountain volleyball team heads back into league play today at Wenatchee Valley looking to extend its 16-match winning streak.

The T-Wolves, which lost their first three matches of the year, have been red hot of late and are coming off a tournament championship at the Clackamas Crossover this past weekend to cap a run of 16 matches in 13 days.

Blue Mountain (22-5, 2-0) has the best record in the Northwest Athletic Conference (NWAC) and 10 more wins than any other team in the NWAC East.

The three-time defending NWAC champions also have the most sets won in the conference, 70, with no other team winning more than 55.

Coach Dave Baty said the program's recent success may have had a hand in its slow start this season.

"Last year's team was 50-4 and this year's team is not, and I think when they started off they were trying to be 51-4, 52-4," he said.

See T-WOLVES/2B

## PENDLETON

# Riverhawks take advantage



Pendleton's Haley Greb (4) hits the ball Monday during a conference game with The Dalles Riverhawks at Warberg Court.

Staff photo by Kathy Aney

## ATHENA

# TigerScots defeat Mustangs

Errors plague both sides as TigerScots get first league win

By ERIC SINGER  
East Oregonian

The Weston-McEwen TigerScots had no trouble finding consistency in 2015, winning 10 out of their 16 non-league games.

Tuesday night the TigerScots opened up play in the Columbia Basin Conference and showed that consistency with a straight-set 3-0 win over the Heppner Mustangs.

After a pair of close wins in the first two sets 25-18 and 25-23 for Weston-McEwen, the TigerScots (11-6, 1-0) flexed their muscles in the third set and rolled to a 25-14 win to capture the match.

"Anytime you can start league off 1-0 that's great," said TigerScots coach Shawn White. "Starting with a win over Heppner is big, too, because they're always tough and play well, so it's a great place to start the season in."

The TigerScots held a clear height advantage in the game with three players 5-feet-11 or taller, and definitely used it to their advantage.

Sarah Finifrock and her six-foot-tall frame led the TigerScots with 11 kills and four aces from the serving line.

"We do our best," said White. "In volleyball you can either jump high or be (tall) and we are (tall) so we're going to continue to use that to our advantage as much as we can."

Junior Sara von Borstel was second on the team with seven kills and smacked three aces from the serving line.

See TIGERSCOTS/2B

## Pendleton errors stand out in league loss to The Dalles

By MATT ENTRUP  
East Oregonian

In a match that lacked a dominant hitter on either side of the net, The Dalles was able to limit its errors just enough to take a league win away from Pendleton's Warberg Court on Tuesday.

The Riverhawks swept the Columbia River Conference volleyball match with scores of 25-23, 25-15, 25-21, and scored the final point on one of the Buckaroos' numerous hitting errors.

"We have a tough time keeping the ball in play when we were able to run an offense tonight, we have a

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lot of power behind our hits and they're just kind of flying to the walls," said Pendleton coach Amanda Lapp.

Pendleton totaled just 12 kills and seven assists as a team, but their hitting issues weren't the most glaring as numerous times the Buckaroos found themselves running away from the net to track down errant digs and passes.

"To be honest with you I think

our passing and our defense was hit and miss tonight," Lapp said.

Lauren Roberts led Pendleton (2-3, 0-2 CRC) with 16 digs, but they weren't enough to keep The Dalles (9-1, 2-0) from inching away in each set.

Maddy Bradford led the Riverhawks with 14 kills and Lori Cimmiyotti added 10, but weren't exactly firing laser shots into Pendleton's defense, which left the middle of the court vulnerable several times and paid for it dearly.

Riverhawks coach Neticia Fanene said she could tell during warm-ups that it was going to be a

See BUCKAROOS/2B

## Prep Roundup

# Helix netters keep on winning, sweep Nixyaawii in league play

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HELIX — The Grizzlies and Nixyaawii met for the first time in 2015 on Sept. 10 as the Grizzlies deployed all the weapons as they rolled to a 3-0 win over the Golden Eagles.

On Tuesday, the Grizzlies and Golden Eagles met again and it was much of the same story as Helix rolled to a 3-0 sweep of Nixyaawii.

Helix (8-2, 2-0) won the Old Oregon League match with scores of 25-4, 25-7 and 25-12.

The team had an incredible 21 aces from the serving line, highlighted by senior Makenzie Mize who went 30-31 from the line with 10 aces.

Senior Paden Flerchinger and sophomore Sadie Wilson added seven and six kills respectively.

"We maintained a good level of play throughout, stayed consistent," said Helix coach Tammie Parker. "It showed our work has paid off."

Helix and Nixyaawii (2-6, 0-2) are both back in action on Friday as they travel to Pine Eagle for a

tri-match starting at 1 p.m.

### UMATILLA 3, PILOT ROCK 2

At Pilot Rock, the Umatilla Vikings grinded out a five-set nonleague victory over the Rockets on Tuesday.

Pilot Rock (7-6) won the first and third sets with scores of 25-19 and 25-16. But Umatilla (4-9) was just too much, winning their sets 26-24, 25-14 and 15-7.

No other details from the match were reported.

Up next for Umatilla is a home

match with Vale and Nyssa on Saturday starting at noon, while Pilot Rock hosts Culver on Thursday at 6:15 p.m.

IONE 3, RIVERSIDE 1 — At Ione, the Cardinals toughed out a victory over the Pirates on Tuesday.

The Pirates (6-4) took the first set 25-23, but Ione then took control to win the next three sets 25-22, 25-20 and 25-20 for the match win.

Senior Rachel Holland led the Cardinals with six kills and was a

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