

# T-WOLVES: Loss served as wake-up call

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“Absolutely awesome, I was so happy,” she said of the strong finish. “I think that we’re looking more for team success now and I can see us building more as a team, and you can’t get any better than that. You cannot get any better than that.”

Kristin Williams and Klaree Hobart also spiked nine kills, and Miah Perez and Jordan Mix added five, Kailey Buckner chipped in three and Emma Bowers had one. Four players also recorded assists, 10 took turns at the service line and 12 contributed digs on Wednesday.

Baty said this is definitely one of the more group-oriented pack of Timberwolves he’s had in eight seasons at BMCC.

“They do like to enjoy it and have fun,” he said. “And that’s good, I’m glad that they get that chance. Memory making is what this whole thing is about and I’m glad that they get that opportunity.”

Schwarz said the T-Wolves aren’t just in it for the memories, though, and Tuesday’s loss was a wake-up call.

“(Tuesday) kind of made us realize that we have quite a bit of work to do before we head to the tournament,” adding Wednesday was a good indication the T-Wolves were working back toward top form. “I feel like we’re



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

**BMCC’s Kylie Collins sets the ball in the Timberwolves’ win against Treasure Valley on Wednesday in Pendleton.**

actually stepping up on that ladder to get there. We’re realizing that we’re coming to a head and we have to. There’s no excuses, there’s no reason why we shouldn’t be at that place.”

Blue Mountain didn’t start the match as strongly as they finished it, though. The team

hit just .097 with eight errors in the first set.

Baty said part of that was possibly due to the late-night bus ride back from northern Idaho, but most of it was the T-Wolves trying to adjust to the unconventional systems run by Treasure Valley (6-23, 2-9) coach Mary Ann

Standage.

“It’s pretty hard to play Mary Ann’s teams because they do some things sometimes that aren’t a part of traditional systems so you kind of have to be ready for the ball coming over in an unexpected manner,” he said. “That being said, you still have to gobble it up, put it back in the system and run your offense.”

The T-Wolves did a much better job of that in the second set, hitting .265 and cutting their errors to six.

Kylee Chavez had a team-high 18 assists in the match and Hannah Bailey led them with 14 digs.

“I think that we did come out well from (Tuesday) night, we were really excited to get out on the court and make something work,” Bailey said. “It wasn’t our best game but we’re still working.”

“I’ll bet we’re going to play much crisper against Yakima (Valley) on Saturday, that’s my hunch,” Baty said.

The T-Wolves host the Yaks Saturday at 2 p.m. as the countdown to the NWAC Championships begins.

“We’ve got three more chances to get ourselves tuned up and ready to go for the big tournament,” Baty said. “Hopefully we’ll do the right things and keep them going.”

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# BULLDOGS: Eagles come in with high-powered offense

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“The kid’s got a cannon,” Faaeteete said of Gossett. “Because of guys dropping left and right, we gotta get another solid backup out there and going and test his skills and let him see what it’s like. And Nathan has become such an asset out there as a receiver, we’re trying to put the best guys out on the field.”

Friday night’s match-up likely serves as the de facto CRC championship game. A win puts either team in a position to clinch the CRC title after both won last week. Hood River might have the easier road with its final league game against The Dalles, but the door is still open for the Bulldogs.

Since the Columbia River Conference was formed before the 2010 season, Hermiston has won the league title twice, in 2013 and 2014. Hood River has a league title as well from 2012, which was also the last time the Eagles beat the Bulldogs, 28-14 in Hood River.

During the Eagles’ two-game losing streak to the Bulldogs, they’ve been outscored 115-41, an average of 57.5 points to 20.5.

But the Eagles have a high-powered offense led by dual-threat quarterback Dallas Buckley. The 6-foot-2, 171-pound quarterback threw for 220 yards, rushed for 146 yards and was responsible for six total touchdowns in Hood River’s 49-14 Week 6 win over McKay. In that win, three different receivers caught touchdown passes and sophomore 180-pound

running back Michael Jones rushed for 112 yards on just 12 carries and scored once. The Eagles racked up 563 yards of total offense that night.

“We just gotta contain the passing game and shore up our run defense,” Faaeteete said. “We’ve gotta tackle better and play assignment football. No mental busts or coverage busts. (We) just gotta take it one play, one step at a time and contain (Buckley).”

Speaking of offense, Hermiston is coming off its best performance on that side of the ball all year.

The Bulldogs popped for 35 second-quarter points against The Dalles, which was just two points fewer than the Bulldogs’ best game this year.

Gossett showed off a good arm, passing for 102 yards including a 53-yard scoring strike to Tucker Salinas on Hermiston’s second drive. Hunsaker showed good legs, toting the football four times for 60 yards and two touchdowns, including a 47-yard scoring scamper in the second half.

Faaeteete said, though still a year in progress, the offense is coming along.

“They’re learning, they’re taking their lumps. It wasn’t an easy game (last week). The Dalles was up in the second quarter 10-7. It was a battle and we had to get in rhythm, and once we got in rhythm, we started getting going.”

Hermiston and Hood River will get it going at Kennison Field on Friday at 7 p.m.

# MLB: Estrada carries one-hitter into eighth inning

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soreness in his left shoulder. Any health issue for the slugger could be a big factor in the next round.

“Cespedes’ shoulder is going to be OK,” Collins said. “They didn’t think there was any damage. They thought an injection would calm it down in a day, so he’ll be ready.”

The Cubs, meanwhile, still haven’t won the crown since 1908. Manager Joe Maddon’s wild-card bunch surged into this series, but was overmatched.

“They did not let us up for air at any point,” Maddon said. “Their domination of the early part of the game and their pitching was impressive.”

Right when it looked as if his historic streak was coming to an end, Murphy connected for a two-run drive to center against Fernando Rodney in the eighth inning. The second baseman raised his right arm as he rounded first after his seventh homer of the playoffs — the string includes a shot in the deciding Game 5 of the Division Series at

Dodger Stadium last week.

Murphy, who was tied with Carlos Beltran for the post-season homer streak, finished with four hits and batted .529 (9 for 17) in the series.

D’Arnaud also homered as the Mets won their fifth pennant. Bartolo Colon pitched 1 1-3 scoreless innings for his first playoff win since 2001, for Cleveland at Seattle. The 14 years, 12 days between postseason victories for the 42-year-old right-hander snapped the major league record of exactly 14 years for Milt Wilcox, according to STATS.

## ALCS

**BLUE JAYS 7, ROYALS 1** — At Toronto, Marco Estrada took the mound with one task: save the season for the Toronto Blue Jays.

He did it, pitching one-hit ball into the eighth inning to give Toronto’s tattered bullpen a rest, and the Blue Jays beat the Kansas City Royals 7-1 Wednesday to close to 3-2 in the best-of-seven American League

Championship Series.

“It’s the start that we needed,” shortstop Troy Tulowitzki said. “They’re a great team over there. We know that. But this guy kept them off balance and allowed the offense to settle in and get some runs.”

Tulowitzki provided three of those runs. He broke the game open with a bases-clearing double off Kelvin Herrera in the sixth, giving him seven RBIs in the series. Edwin Encarnacion had walked with the bases loaded against Edinson Volquez, who seemed flustered by a couple of close calls against the Royals.

Kansas City totaled 22 runs and 30 hits in the first two games in Toronto, but Estrada faced the minimum 20 batters before Lorenzo Cain walked with two outs in the seventh. Closer Roberto Osuna was perfect in the ninth.

Yordano Ventura will start for the defending AL champions on Friday in Game 6 against David Price, the Game 2 loser.

## SCOREBOARD

### Local Slate

#### PREP FOOTBALL

**Friday’s Games**  
Echo at Pine Eagle, 2 p.m.  
Hood River at Hermiston, 7 p.m.  
The Dalles at Pendleton, 7 p.m.  
Baker at Mac-Hi 7 p.m.  
Umatilla at Riverside, 7 p.m.  
Weston-McEwen at Culver, 7 p.m.  
Stanfield at Pilot Rock, 7 p.m.  
Irrigon at Heppner, 7 p.m.  
Dufur at Ione, 7 p.m.

#### PREP BOYS SOCCER

**Today’s Games**  
Mac-Hi at Baker, 4 p.m.  
City Christian at Irrigon, 4:15 p.m.  
**Saturday’s Games**  
Riverside at City Christian, 1 p.m.  
Umatilla at Irrigon, 1 p.m.  
Ontario at Mac-Hi, 2 p.m.

#### PREP GIRLS SOCCER

**Today’s Games**  
Mac-Hi at Baker, 2 p.m.  
Umatilla at De La Salle, 4 p.m.  
Riverside at Portland Christian, 4:15 p.m.  
**Saturday’s Games**  
Ontario at Mac-Hi, Noon

#### PREP VOLLEYBALL

**Saturday’s Games**  
Helix, Echo at Old Oregon district tournament (La Grande) vs. TBD, 9 a.m.  
Ione at Big Sky district tournament (The Dalles) vs. TBD, 10 a.m.  
Weston-McEwen, Heppner, Stanfield at Columbia Basin district tournament (Culver) vs. TBD, Noon

#### PREP CROSS COUNTRY

**Friday**  
Umatilla, Weston-McEwen, Heppner, Stanfield, Helix, Nixyaawii, Condon/Wheeler at SDB District Meet (Pendleton), 1 p.m.  
Mac-Hi at GOL District Meet (Baker), 2 p.m.  
**Saturday**  
Hermiston, Pendleton at CRC District Meet (The Dalles), 10 a.m.

#### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

**Saturday’s Game**  
Eastern Oregon at Montana St.-Northern, Noon

#### COLLEGE MEN’S SOCCER

**Friday’s Game**  
Corban at Eastern Oregon, 3 p.m.  
**Saturday’s Game**  
Northwest Christian at Eastern Oregon, 3 p.m.

#### COLLEGE WOMEN’S SOCCER

**Friday’s Game**  
Corban at Eastern Oregon, 1 p.m.  
**Saturday’s Game**  
Northwest Christian at Eastern Oregon, 1 p.m.

#### COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

**Friday’s Games**  
Multnomah at Eastern Oregon, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday’s Games**  
Yakima Valley at Blue Mountain, 2 p.m.  
Warner at Eastern Oregon, 7 p.m.

#### COLLEGE MEN’S BASKETBALL

**Friday’s Game**  
Eastern Oregon at Simpson, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday’s Game**  
Eastern Oregon at Simpson, 3 p.m.

#### COLLEGE WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

**Today’s Game**  
Blue Mountain at Eastern Oregon (Scrimmage), 4 p.m.

#### Prep Standings

##### FOOTBALL

##### Columbia River Conference (5A)

Conf.	Ovr.	PS	PA	Rnk
Hood River	1-0	4-3	270	21
Hermiston	1-0	2-5	162	26
Pendleton	0-1	2-5	155	23
The Dalles	0-1	1-5	118	20

##### Greater Oregon League (4A)

Conf.	Ovr.	PS	PA	Rnk
La Grande	2-0	6-1	306	10
Baker	1-1	3-4	170	16
Ontario	1-1	1-6	115	19
Mac-Hi	0-2	0-7	30	36

##### Eastern Oregon League (3A)

Conf.	Ovr.	PS	PA	Rnk
Vale	1-0	5-1	255	12
Nyssa	1-0	4-2	136	9
Umatilla	0-1	4-3	165	14
Riverside	0-1	2-4	115	20

##### Columbia Basin Conference (2A)

Conf.	Ovr.	PS	PA	Rnk
Heppner	3-0	7-0	365	7
Stanfield	2-1	6-1	250	14
WMHS	2-1	5-2	256	9
Irrigon	1-2	5-2	300	12
Culver	1-2	3-4	211	25
Pilot Rock	0-3	0-6	95	27

##### Special District 4 (1A)

Conf.	Ovr.	PS	PA	Rnk
Sherman	5-0	5-2	332	25
Perrydale	4-0	6-0	326	11
Arlington	3-2	4-2	220	10
Dufur	2-2	5-2	314	13
Ione	1-3	2-4	170	24
Mitchell	0-4	2-5	195	29
S. Wasco	0-4	0-6	98	36

##### Special District 1 (1A)

Conf.	Ovr.	PS	PA	Rnk
Adrian	4-0	6-0	351	14
Wallowa	3-0	5-1	314	18
Crane	3-1	6-1	388	7
Jordan Vall.	3-1	4-3	338	22
Pine Eagle	2-1	5-2	236	11
Powder Vall.	1-2	4-3	276	16
Joseph	1-2	2-4	254	23
Harper/Hun.	1-3	1-6	172	41
PC/B.R.	1-3	1-6	104	37
Echo	0-4	2-5	216	32
Mon./Day.	0-4	1-6	140	40

##### VOLLEYBALL

##### Columbia River Conference (5A)

Conf.	Ovr.	SW	SL	Rnk
Hood River	8-1	12-5	33	10
The Dalles	7-2	21-4	55	14
Pendleton	2-7	6-12	26	35
Hermiston	1-8	5-11	16	35

##### Greater Oregon League (4A)

Conf.	Ovr.	SW	SL	Rnk
La Grande	6-0	12-9	36	29
Ontario	3-3	7-10	24	29
Baker	2-4	5-14	17	40
Mac-Hi	1-5	4-12	16	36

##### Eastern Oregon League (3A)

Conf.	Ovr.	SW	SL	Rnk
Vale	6-0	22-2	58	10
Nyssa	4-2	14-8	43	29
Riverside	2-4	9-9	32	23
Umatilla	0-6	4-18	16	56

#### Columbia Basin Conference (2A)

Conf.	Ovr.	SW	SL	Rnk
Culver	10-0	26-3	70	10
WMHS	8-2	20-8	59	27
Heppner	5-5	12-12	32	39
Pilot Rock	4-6	11-12	37	42
Stanfield	3-7	8-11	32	40
Irrigon	0-10	4-17	19	52

#### Big Sky League (1A)

Conf.	Ovr.	SW	SL	Rnk
Ione	13-1	18-6	58	24
Dufur	13-1	16-8	55	28
Con./Whe.	9-5	11-12	39	41
Arlington	8-6	11-12	37	38
S. Wasco	7-7	13-11	43	38
Mit./Spray	3-11	6-14	31	44
Sherman	2-12	5-17	16	54
Horizon Chr.	1-13	3-18	16	52

#### Old Oregon League (1A)

Conf.	Ovr.	SW	SL	Rnk
Portland Vall.	10-2	19-7	56	21
Helix	10-2	17-4	53	17
Echo	8-4	15-7	47	29
Joseph	8-4	11-7	35	26
Pine Eagle	4-8	7-12	25	38
Nixyaawii	1-11	3-15	9	45
Wallowa	1-11	1-20	9	51

#### BOYS SOCCER

##### Columbia River Conference (5A)

Conf.	Ovr.	GS	GA	Rnk
Hood River	4-0-1	10-0-3	48	6
Hermiston	3-1-1	9-2-2	31	17
Pendleton	1-4	4-8-1	17	50
The Dalles	1-4	2-11	10	42

##### Greater Oregon League (4A)

Conf.	Ovr.	GS	GA	Rnk
La Grande	5-1	8-3-1	48	13
Ontario	4-1	10-2-1	67	13
Mac-Hi	1-3	4-5-1	29	20
Baker	0-5	0-10	69	35

##### Special District 4 (3A/2A/1A)

Conf.	Ovr.	GS	GA	Rnk
Riverside	7-0	9-2-1	65	9
Umatilla	5-2	6-5-1	39	22
Irrigon	1-3-2	1-5-2		