Timberwolves baseball finishes weekend strong

Gulick throws complete game to beat Olympic

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The Blue Mountain baseball team split its doubleheaders over the weekend to improve to 3-7 on the season.

On Saturday the Timberwolves met Prairie Baseball Academy for their third and fourth games in less than a week, and the outcome was similar to their prior meet-

PBA swept the T-Wolves 7-5 in 11 innings and 9-4. Blue Mountain bounced in a doubleheader against Olympic on Sunday, though, winning 8-0 and 5-4 in 12 innings.

The first loss of the weekend spoiled a strong effort by starting pitcher Brian Howell, who gave up two runs on seven hits in 10 complete innings. He also struck out four and walked only one, but PBA roughed up reliever Trevor Oldham when he came on to start the 11th. Tanner Heiman's first home run of the season also went for naught for BMCC.

Logan Cordiero and Ben Ross each drove in two runs in the second game, but PBA scattered 15 hits against five different BMCC pitchers and never trailed.

Ross and Cordiero kept their bats hot for Sunday's games against Olympic, though, and each hit in two more runs bolster Taylor Gulick's

complete-game shutout.

Gulick went the full nine and struck out six, walked none and allowed five hits. Nolan Weber also drove in two runs and went 2 for 2. Ross was 3 for 5 and also scored twice.

then Heiman came through for the T-Wolves when the night cap went into extra innings. He hit his second home run of the season in the 11th inning, a solo shot, to tie the score at 4-4. Then with bases loaded in the bottom of the 12th he drew a walk to push the winning run home.

Cederholm Brandon pitched the final three innings to pick up the win. He allowed one run on four hits and struck out one.

Blue Mountain's next games are Saturday when it hosts Grays Harbor in a doubleheader starting at 11 a.m.

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Game 2 PBA 101 002 410 BMCC 001 000 300

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C. Labbe. W — Gulick. L — Dennis. 2B — C. Palau (OC); B. Ross, N. Weber (BMCC)

Pro Track & Field

Americans dominate world indoors

By PAT GRAHAM Associated Press

PORTLAND — The Americans set the bar high for the world indoor championships: Bring home a record bounty of medals.

accomplished They that with the help of an 18-year-old high jumper whose father was a longtime NFL quarterback and an 800-meter runner who worked at McDonald's to earn extra money for training.

The final tally: 13 golds out of a possible 26 events and 23 medals in all, making it the biggest haul in the history of the event. Granted, some of track's biggest names were missing (Usain Bolt and Mo Farah, although Farah showed up in the stands) and the Russians were absent because of pending doping charges. But it couldn't have gone much better, especially

with the Rio Games just around the corner.

"For Team USA as a whole, it's definitely a confidence booster," said Natasha Hastings, who helped the 4x400 relay team to a gold medal on the final day. "To do this on home turf, that makes it even more special."

This was pretty much the official world introduction to Vashti Cunningham, whose father and coach happen to be Randall Cunningham. The teenager beat a field that included silver medalist Ruth Beitia, who was twice her age. Cunningham became the youngest female to win a world indoor title.

He father, calling in plays from the stands, had a fitting analogy for the crowd support.

They were like the Seattle Seahawks — the 12th man,' said Randall Cunningham, who was inducted into the Philadelphia Eagles Hall of Fame in 2009.

the One of more intriguing story lines from the weekend belonged to Boris Berian, who used to work at the popular fast-food chain to support his training. His impressive win in the 800 — he took the lead early and held on — inspired such headlines as "From Golden Arches to gold medal.

"I'm just really impressed with the production level, talent and composure of Team USA and setting records with a team of this caliber," men's coach Ron Allice said. "I said it in our team meeting, but this is our house and we defended it."

Here are some takeaways from the world indoor championships:

TEAM EATON: The Eatons are certainly the first couple of the multi-events. Brianne Theisen-Eaton of Canada won the pentathlon

with a fantastic performance in the final race of her event. American Ashton Eaton's heptathlon title was more of a walk in the park as he cruised to his third straight indoor title. They were crowd favorites, which was no surprise since the couple met at the University of Oregon. They will be favored in Rio.

QUITE A THROW: Michelle Carter set a U.S. indoor shot put record with a throw of 66 feet, 3 3/4 inches (20.21 meters). She captured gold by beating Zealand's Valerie Adams, who's the gold standard in the event. Adams was the defending champion.

GOING DISTANCE: With his win in the 1,500 meters, Matthew Centrowitz now has a medal of every color at major meets. He also captured silver (2013) and bronze (2011) at the outdoor championships.

SENIORS: Beavers went 50-14 at home last four seasons

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since 1983 and the first time since the tournament expanded to 64 teams.

Rueck said he felt a sense of relief as the seniors were able to come off the floor to the response they deserved.

"It was very similar to senior day," Rueck said. "You just want it so badly, vou want it to be perfect. You know how much they deserve it you know it doesn't always go your way though."

Oregon State's 21-4 advantage in the third quarter put the game out of reach and allowed Rueck to soak in the moment.

"Once we separated and in that fourth quarter it was in control and the game was probably decided, then it was just enjoying. It was just fun," Rueck said.

"As those moments happened and then kind of the whistles and the way everything went was kind of perfect for each to get an ovation. That's what you dream of. That's what every coach would love for every player. Couldn't happen to a better group of people. It was perfect."

It was fitting that all four seniors played major roles in Sunday's win.

Weisner had 23 points and started the third-quarter

barrage with a 3-pointer. Hamblin may have been limited to four points but

grabbed 16 rebounds.

second quarter that allowed the Beavers to get a little separation. And Siegner may have had one of the biggest plays when she drew the second foul on St. Bonaventure

leading scorer Katie Healy

Hunter scored seven

points in a 9-0 run in the

late in the first quarter. Without Healy, the Beavers were able to push the lead to 12. It was also a fitting way for those four seniors to go

out as the provided many big wins over the past three seasons. After going 6-10 in a

rough freshman season, the seniors were part of a 44-4 record at home with the four losses coming to Tennessee, Notre Dame, Stanford and Gonzaga. All told, the Beavers were 50-14 at home over the past four seasons.

"It's a special relationship that has developed over the last six years and they have been with us every step of the way," Rueck said. "And then today they came out in style on the biggest stage and our team responded. It was the perfect sendoff for these seniors.

Now it's on to the Sweet 16 and a date with No. 6 seed DePaul at American Airlines Center in Dallas on Saturday.

BENSON: Guard also makes key plays late

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"This was a character win," Benson said.

"Obviously, getting down seven with 5 minutes left, I think a lot of people watching thought at that point that it might be over. We had to continue to keep fighting through adversity. Benson repeated his

message from the Arizona game because he felt the Ducks were in a similar situation.

"When you're going through adversity, remaining positive and upbeat is crucial," he said. "We had to believe we weren't going to lose that game. It is so much more mental than physical." Benson made two free

throws to get Oregon within 58-56 and later added another free throw to push the Ducks ahead 67-64 with 23.5 seconds left. He also had an assist to Tyler Dorsey for a three-pointer that put Oregon ahead 61-60.

"Casey made a couple big plays for us there," Oregon coach Dana Altman said.

"He got a big rebound and hit some free throws. He drove in there and hit two free throws and then one later on. He did get us settled down."

Benson had five points, three rebounds, two assists and one steal, but some of his most important contributions came by encouraging his teammates.

"I just had to continue to keep everyone focused on the task at hand," he said. "When you get down and you're not playing well, it's easy to go in the tank. It's a matter of staying upbeat and keep fighting. We knew we weren't playing well, but we had to be resilient."

PENDLETON: Roe, Quinn get offense rolling

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Ryan Russell was 4 for 6 with one RBI and three runs, and Wyatt Morris batted 4 for 9 with two RBI and five runs.

Roseburg (1-3) stranded 13 runners in Game 1 and Quinn Cockburn struck out five, walked one and allowed three runs (two earned) in four innings of work to get the win.

Pendleton took a 2-0 lead in the first inning on backto-back singles by Roe and Quinn, then added three more in the second on a single by Roe and errors by Roseburg. The Indians crept within two runs of the lead in the fourth, but the Bucks answered with three more on a two-out rally in the bottom of the frame.

Roe started it with a

double, then scored when Quinn followed with a double of his own. Then back-toback errors by Roseburg plated Pendleton runs to make it 8-3. The Indians added runs in the fifth and seventh while Pendleton added one in the fifth and three in the sixth.

Roseburg held the lead three times in Game 2, but Pendleton answered every time to either tie the game or take the lead back in their at-bat.

After the Indians put three across in the first inning on a pair of doubles, a walks and a wild pitch, it was again Roe and Quinn getting the Bucks

Roe doubled to plate Morris and Peterson, who reached on a walk and single, respectively, and Quinn then

sacrificed in Roe.

The lead changed hands in the third, then Roseburg took it back with two runs in the top of the fourth to make it 7-6. But seven runs in the bottom of the fourth gave the

Bucks the lead for good. The first three batters of the inning reached base before Roseburg turned the first out with a force at home plate, but a single by Bradt followed to tie the score, then a walk by Nick Bower and a single by Shaw Jerome and a Roseburg error plated four

more to make it 11-7. Peterson then came up for the second time of the inning and singled in Jerome before Morris scored on a wild pitch to make it 13-7. The Bucks added four more runs in

the sixth to reach the mercy threshold.

Austin Zaugg started the game on the mound and left with a 6-5 lead. Nick Lani allowed two runs on six hits in three innings of relief and got the win.

Pendleton's next game is Thursday when they open the Bucks Bags Classic in Boise, Idaho against Madison at noon.

Game 1 R H E
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PHS 230 313 X - 12 18 2
C. Johnson, Z. Watkins (5) and G. Roussell.
W — Cockburn, J. Bradt (5) and R. Russell.
W — Cockburn. L — Johnson. W — Cockburn. L — Johnson. 2B — W. Morris, D. Roe, K. Quinn (PHS)

Game 2
RHS 302 200 — 7 10 2
PHS 303 704 — 17 17 0
Z. Mandera, C. Townsed (4) and J.
Grubbs. A. Zaugg, N. Lani (4) and Q.
Cockburn, R. Russell (3). W — Lani. L —
Mandera.
2B — Z. Watkins, C. Lierman, L. Lucido
(RHS); W. Morris, R. Russell, D. Roe (PHS).

REMATCH: Rockets rally to keep it interesting

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iust one hit and struck out seven batters over the next three innings.

Later in the fifth inning, the TigerScots took advantage of Holman as she was running out of gas, tagging the Rockets righty for five runs and five hits in the inning. Megan Coffman and Lambert each led off with back-to-back singles before Jordyn Lambert smacked a single into right field for a two-RBI single to push the lead to 5-1.

Ashley Hill Charmayne Bennett also registered RBI singles in the inning to leave the fifth inning with a 7-1 advantage.

Holman had pitched a solid game up to that point, but finished allowing 11 hits, seven runs (five earned) with five strikeouts over 4.1 innings pitched. She gave way to Tehya Ostrom who threw 2.2 shutout innings and racked up three strikeouts.

Not ready to toss in the towel, Pilot Rock's bats awoke from their slumber in the bottom of the inning with a two-out rally. After starting with two quick strikeouts, Holman walked and Rhyanne Oates singled to give the Rockets two base runners for Roe, who came through again with an RBI single to right field which ended up scoring both runners on an error to cut the deficit to 7-3.

And then in the seventh inning, Pilot Rock made things interesting — once again with two outs. After a walk by Roe, her third time on base in the game, Wilson smacked a single into center field followed by a hard single into right field by Sara Weinke which

scored Roe to cut the deficit

to 8-4. But that was as close as the Rockets would get as Lambert forced an easy groundout by Madison Dave to the second baseman to end the game.

Griggs said that he was pleased with the teams' intensity and efforts on Saturday, especially with the way they started off the tournament with a blowout loss to Scio.

"I thought they came out tonight and absolutely played like a team should, he said. "They sounded like a team, looked like a team and it was a great team win with everybody doing their jobs."

The TigerScots also beat Enterprise 15-2 on Saturday, but Griggs said that the team has a long ways to go in progression if they want to be in a position to compete for a state championship.

"We're not satisfied by tonight by any means,' he said. "We're happy, for sure, but we've still got a lot of work to do. And the important thing is, we all know we can be better and the girls know it and believe it so I'm excited to see where we go."

Pilot Rock won its other game on Saturday 7-0 over

Weston-McEwen next hosts Touchet (WA) today for a doubleheader starting at 3 p.m., while Pilot Rock will head to the Union Spring Bash where they will first take on Bonanza on Friday at 12:30 p.m.

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SOFTBALL: Mac-Hi splits at Bend Tournament

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two RBI and Kalan McGlothan had one. Gentner went 2 for 3 before the game was ended in the sixth due to the 90-minute time limit being reached.

Kiersten Murphy pitched the entire game for the win. Rain had started to fall by

the time Pendleton took the field against Oregon City, and combined with the time limit to keep that game to just four innings.

Oregon City scored all three of its runs off starter Lauren Richards during a downpour in the first inning.

"Lauren had a tough time in that inning getting a handle of the ball, but I thought she did a great job to persevere and find out what she needed to do," Cary said. "And she came back and threw great against a really good team. I was really proud of her for the way she persevered."

Richards held Oregon City to four hits, and Pend-

leton scored the go-ahead run in the fourth when Ellie Richards drove in Alexis Morrison, who reached on a double. Richards went 2 for 2. McGlothan added a two-RBI single in the second inning that tied the game at Pendleton (5-0) will

continue tournament play today against Central Catholic at noon and against Putnam at 2 p.m.

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and Iverson. W — Richards. L Hornbock. 2B — A. Morrison MAC-HI 12, MAZAMA 1 — At Bend, home runs

left their marks on games featuring the Mac-Hi Pioneers at the Bend Tournament on Monday.

First against Mazama,

Mac-Hi's Micha Fortune hit an inside-the-park grand slam in the first inning to set the tone for a Pioneer romp.

Fortune hit a hard line drive down the first base line that rolled all the way to the

"That was huge for us, and everybody else just kind of did their job," Mac-Hi coach Nicole Christian said. "When we had somebody on we were able to move them. That first game we really hit well together as a team, we didn't leave anybody stranded." Fortune went 2 for 3 with

four RBI, and Brittney Erb and Jenny Field each added two RBI while Abi Biggs went 2 for 3. Then against Scappoose, Indians shortstop Hannah

Galey hit a walk-off home

run to lead off the bottom of

the seventh inning in a 3-2

Mac-Hi loss. Christian said the main difference in the two outcomes was runners left on base by the Pioneers.

"We left 10 runners on, bases loaded one time," she said. "We struck out six times, and couple of them were looking, which killed us." Mac-Hi (2-1) had just tied

the score in the sixth when Brooke Smiley drove in two runs in her first varsity game. Her hit came with just one out, though, and Mac-Hi left two runners on in the frame. "It was a completely different game if we would have picked up those runners,' Christian said.

Mallory Copeland pitched both games for Mac-Hi, which continues tournament play today against Crook County at 11:30 a.m. and Madras at 4:30 p.m. MHS 000 10 — R H E
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