

BASEBALL: Pendleton's Morris makes the cut at two positions

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also named to the first team roster as a pitcher as Root took on the responsibility as the midweek starter and held his own. In four league starts, Root compiled an ERA of 0.69 with 14 strikeouts over 20.1 innings — including a complete game two-hitter to help Hermiston to a 9-1 upset of Hood River Valley on Apr. 26.

Aside from Robles and Root, three other teammates were named to the first team roster including 1B Tyler Sexton (.454 avg., 12 RBI), 2B Daniel Gosseler (.312 avg., five runs scored), OF Robles (.264 avg., 7 runs), and OF Hayden Edmiston (.357 avg., six runs scored). The Bulldogs also placed two players on the second team, with DH Kody Moss (.384 avg., 6 RBI), and Root

again as an infielder (.222 avg., 5 runs). The Pendleton Buckaroos earned three selections to the first team roster, led by SS Wyatt Morris (.265 avg., 6 runs), OF Kai Quinn (.310 avg., 6 runs), and DH Ryan Russell (.323 avg., 4 RBI). The Bucks also placed four players on the second team with P Wyatt Morris (0.66 ERA, 21 innings), 2B Jack Peterson (.419 OBP, 5 runs),

C Quinn Cockburn (.273 avg., 4 throw outs), and OF Shaw Jerome (.421 avg., 7 runs), and then rounded out their team with three honorable mention picks in P James Bradt (2.13 ERA, 18 K), INF Daniel Naughton (.360 avg., 3 runs), and 1B Devon Roe (.265 avg., 7 RBI).

CRC All-League Teams
Player of the Year: Skylar Hunter, Hood River, sr.

Pitcher of the Year: RJ Robles, Hermiston, sr.

First Team
P RJ Robles, Hermiston, sr.
P Chase Root, Hermiston, sr.
P Patrick Harvey, Hood River, sr.
C Adam Cameron, Hood River, jr.
1B Tyler Sexton, Hermiston, sr.
INF Skylar Hunter, Hood River, sr.
INF Kellan Duffy, Hood River, sr.
INF Daniel Gosseler, Hermiston, soph.
INF Wyatt Morris, Pendleton, jr.
INF John Miller, The Dalles, jr.
OF Patrick Harvey, Hood River, sr.
OF RJ Robles, Hermiston, sr.
OF Kai Quinn, Pendleton, sr.
OF Dallas Buckley, Hood River, sr.
OF Hayden Edmiston, Hermiston, sr.
DH Ryan Russell, Pendleton, soph.
UTIL Colin Noonan, The Dalles, sr.

Second Team
P Wyatt Morris, Pendleton, jr.

Honorable Mention
P Cotton Walker, The Dalles, sr.
P James Bradt, Pendleton, sr.
C Kellen Mathisen, The Dalles, sr.
1B Devon Roe, Pendleton, sr.
1B Boston Bate, The Dalles, sr.
INF Daniel Naughton, Pendleton, soph.
INF Chase Root, Hermiston, sr.
OF Cash Mathewson, The Dalles, sr.
OF Colton Walker, The Dalles, sr.
DH Andrew Roberts, Hood River, sr.

GOLF: Heppner's Grant finishes top 10, Mustang boys place fourth

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body had a good round." Bend finish just in front of Pendleton with 312-306—618 and Summit won the it's second-straight title with 296-306—602. Junior Nathan Som remained steady and finished tied in four-way tie for fifth place with 74-75—149, and junior Sam Kung was in a four-way tie for 11th with 80-73—153.

to their rounds on Day 2 at the OSAA 3A-1A Boys Golf State Championships, but suffered minimal slip in the standings at Emerald Valley Golf Club on Tuesday.

Both players started the round in the top 15, and Grieb finished 11th with a two-round score of 80-85—165 while Lankford was tied for sixteenth with 85-88—173.

Heppner was 10th in team points with 394-408—802, and Nixyaawii was 13th with 428-403—831.

Also for Heppner were: junior Dan Bretsch tied for 38th (90-98—188), freshman Reno Ferguson in 59th (106-110—216), freshman Cason Mitchell in 66th (118-115—233) and freshman Logan Burright tied for 68th (120-117—237).

Other scores for Nixyaawii were: senior Blake Kanner tied for 47th (100-98—198), senior Lennox Lewis in 62nd (118-105—223), freshman Justin Wells tied for 68th (125-112—237) and sophomore Wilbur Oatman in 71st (137-131—268).

Cascade Christian won the team title with 646 and St. Mary's senior Josh Wu finished two-under par at 146 for the individual championship.

2016 OSAA 3A-1A Boys Golf Team Top 5 — 1, Cascade Christian 320-326—646; 2, Regis 333-337—670; 3, St. Mary's 330-341—671; 4, Oregon Episcopal 361-354—715; 5, Oakridge 356-368—724.
Individual Top 10
1, Josh Wu, St. Mary's 72-74—146
2, Max Davis, Cascade Christian 76-71—147
3, Dayne Miller, Creswell 72-77—149
4, Kyle Humphreys, Regis 78-76—154
5, Joel Snyder, Oakridge 73-81—154
6, Tate Lightie, Lakeview 75-79—154
7, Ben Quast, Cascade Christian 76-80—156
8, Jeremy Wu, St. Mary's 77-79—156
9, Nick Conway, Blanchet Catholic 84-78—162
10, Will Conyers, Catlin Gabel 84-79—163

2016 OSAA 5A Boys Golf Team Top 5 — 1, Summit 296-306—602; 2, Bend 312-306—618; 3, Pendleton 317-303—620; 4, Marist 316-315—631; 5, Crescent Valley 321-323—644.
Individual Top 10
1, Kevin Geniza, Crescent Valley 71-67—138
2, Alec Berrey, Crescent Valley 72-73—145
3, Marcus Frazier, Lebanon 71-75—146
4, Max McGee, Bend 74-74—148
5, Jack Loberg, Summit 73-76—149
6, Nick Rolan, Corvallis 74-75—149
7, Nathan Som, Pendleton 74-75—149
8, Isaac Buerger, Ridgeview 74-75—149
9, Cole Chrisman, Summit 72-78—150
10, John Pollock, Marist 75-76—151

4A Boys

CRESWELL — Mac-Hi junior Riley Chester shaved five strokes from his first-round score to finish 15th at the OSAA 4A Boys Golf State Championships.

Chester shot 90-85—175 over two days at Emerald Valley Golf Course in Creswell, and moved up the leaderboard six spots on Tuesday.

The Pioneers finished seventh as a team with 366-375—741, and junior Evan Kain was 24th with 88-96—184. Sophomore Noah Wilson was 28th with 94-95—189, freshman Kodi Leidenfrost was tied for 35th with 94-99—193, and senior Armando Garcia was 47th with 95-106—201.

Crook County shot 703 total to win the team title and Mazama senior Bryce Wortman won the individual title with a one-under par 143.

2016 OSAA 4A Boys Golf Team Top 5 — 1, Crook County 355-348—703; 2, Marshfield 359-345—704; 3, Klamath Union 354-362—716; 4, Scappoose 364-356—720; 5, Valley Catholic 350-372—722.
Individual Top 10
1, Bryce Wortman, Mazama 71-72—143
2, Craig Ronne, Klamath Union 75-72—147
3, Mayson Tibbs, Crook County 72-77—149
4, Carter Lee, Tillamook 77-78—155
5, Trey Wortman, Mazama 79-80—159
6, Aaron Richardson, Seaside 81-79—160
7, Kasey Banks, Marshfield 82-79—161
8, Cabe Goehring, Crook County 84-83—167
9, Jake Gray, Scappoose 84-84—168
10, Nathan Mapps, Scappoose 86-85—171
11, Rylee Gassin, Baker 87-84—171
12, Matt Black, Sutherlin 88-83—171

3A-1A Boys

CRESWELL — Heppner junior Logan Grieb and Nixyaawii sophomore Riley Lankford both added strokes

4A-1A Girls

REDMOND — Heppner sophomore Sophie Grant hit a pair of birdies and shaved a stroke on Day 2 to grab a top-10 placing at the OSAA 4A-1A Girls Golf State Championships on Tuesday at Eagle Crest Ridge Course in Redmond.

Grant finished tied for eighth with 89-88—177, and the Mustangs placed fourth as a team with 409-404—813.

Heppner junior Amanda Rea was 16th with 89-97—186, and the Mustangs placed all of its golfers inside the top 50.

Freshman Masion Combe was 28th (113-101—214), freshman Claire Grieb was 36th (118-118—236) and the combined score of junior Riane Dompier and freshman Caitlyn Scrivner was 44th (133-124—257).

St. Mary's rolled to the team title with three placers in the top five, and shot a two-round 674. St. Mary's sophomore Kamryn Ford won the individual title at nine-over par with a 153.

2016 OSAA 4A-1A Girls Golf Team Top 5 — 1, St. Mary's 338-336—674; 2, Crook County 374-373—747; 3, Scappoose 405-389—794; 4, Heppner 409-404—813; 5, Blanchet Catholic 435-405—840.
Individual Top 10
1, Kamryn Ford, St. Mary's 74-79—153
2, Staesha Flock, St. Mary's 78-79—157
3, Trinity McCarthy, La Grande 81-80—161
4, Katie Goodwin, Blanchet Catholic 84-83—167
5, Kaylee Wu, St. Mary's 83-84—167
6, Maya Hutton, Taft 84-90—174
7, Kynan Nordal, Illinois Valley 89-87—176
8, Sophie Grant, Heppner 89-88—177
9, Jane Schlendorf, Oregon Episcopal 90-87—177
10, Cora White, Crook County 83-97—180
11, Tori Suto, Willows 89-91—180
12, Jane Suppes, Marshfield 88-92—180

PREPS: Echo clinches postseason spot

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to issue 11 walks. The Rockets scattered nine hits in Game 2 but could only push single runs across in the third and seventh. Chris Weinke took the loss on the mound, but also led the Rockets at the plate going 2 for 3 with a run and one RBI.

The Rockets play Weston-McEwen in the district tournament on Saturday at Bob White Field in Pendleton with a state berth on the line. First pitch is scheduled for 10 a.m.

Game 1
PRHS 000 710 0 — 8 11 1
GUHS 001 203 0 — 6 12 1
W — L. Thieme. L — Young.
2B — B. Pierce, J. Brickey (PRHS); Re-

imers (GUHS). 3B — Reimer (GUHS).

Game 2
PRHS 001 000 1 — 2 9 0
GUHS 024 202 X — 10 12 0
W — Deiter. L — C. Weinke.
2B — L. Thieme, B. Pierce, C. Weinke (PRHS); Young, McDaniel, Weaver, Deiter, Hallgarth (GUHS). 3B — Deiter (GUHS).

Softball

ECHO 12, ENTERPRISE 4 — At Echo, the Cougars clinched a spot in the 3A postseason tournament by defeating the Enterprise Outlaws in a district playoff game on Tuesday.

The Cougars (19-7, 13-3 EOL) were able to rebound well in the game from Friday's stunning double-header losses to Enterprise that dropped the team out of contention for the regular season crown, and pounded

out 13 hits with their 12 runs.

Echo pitcher MacKenzie Gonzales gave up three runs in the top of the first inning, but settled in after that and finished with a complete game allowing six hits with three strikeouts.

Gonzales was picked up by her offense in the bottom of the frame as the Cougars pounded out three runs of their own to tie the game at three. Enterprise again took the lead in the third inning with one run, but that would be it for the Outlaws as Gonzales allowed just five baserunners over the final four innings.

The offense put forth

a very balanced attack in the game, as five players garnered at least two hits. Kenzie Blankenship crushed her seventh home run of the season and scored three runs in the game, while Hannah McCarty went a perfect 3-3 with two runs and an RBI. Cheyenne Hilliard also had a solid day, going 3-4 from her leadoff spot in the order with two runs and an RBI.

Next up for Echo is a district semifinal against Vale with time and day TBA.

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Williams, Flew, Gonzales and Parks. W — Gonzales. L — Williams.
2B — Scott (ENT). Christopher, McCarty (ECH). HR — Blankenship (ECH).

SOFTBALL: Hermiston places three on first team

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turned in an incredible .617 On-base percentage and a 1.122 slugging percentage. Morrison was very appreciative of the award, but said that her and Richards earing the top honors is more of a reflection of the team.

"Both of us getting this shows how good of a team we are because it's not like it's just two or three players carrying the whole team," she said. "This is hard to do without teammates, because my teammates motivate me and make sure I'm working hard."

Richards started the season as the Buckaroos No. 2 starter and out-pitched 2nd-team all-state pitcher Kiersten Murphy for the No. 1 spot as the season went along. Richards tossed 57.2 innings in CRC play and finished with a 0.97 ERA

with 85 strikeouts to just 11 walks, while holding her opponents to a mere .135 batting average.

Richards echoed Morrison's sentiment on receiving the honor, saying she owes it to her fellow Buckaroos.

"It's kind of odd because it's an individual award, but I wouldn't have got it without my teammates," she said.

Rounding out the first team selections for Pendleton are SS Ellie Richards (.366 avg., 9 RBI), 1B Kiersten Murphy (.351 avg., 10 RBI), 3B Kalan McGlothlin (.441 avg., 2 home runs), OF Maddie Parker (.414 avg., 12 runs), and UTIL Rylee Gentner (.400 avg., 11 RBI).

Pendleton's second team picks included 2B Payton Hergert (.360 avg., 4 doubles) and OF Tatum Fell (.235 avg., 2 RBI), while seniors Feather Dick and

Gracie Lyon were named as honorable mentions.

The Hermiston Bulldogs enjoyed an improved CRC season in 2016, improving from just one win last year to a 5-7 finish and a trip to the postseason. Hermiston was rewarded with 12 all-league selections, including three on the first team: C Jaime Hinkley (.372 avg., 8 runs), 2B Ellery Jones (.486 avg., 9 RBI), and UTIL Mikayla Kopacz (.310 avg.).

Hermiston's second team selections included P Julissa Almaguer (4-4, 4.90 ERA), P Breyanna Naylor (4.74 ERA, 3 saves), 3B Becca Engelbrecht (.308 avg., 2 home runs, 12 runs), OF Sydney Stefani (.242 avg., 3 runs), OF Kylie Hinkley (.269 avg.), UTIL Amanda Barron (.333 avg.), and UTIL Alex Barton (.364 OBP). Taylor Betz and Kiersten Miller were named as

CRC honorable mentions.

CRC All-League Teams
Player of the Year: Alexis Morrison, Pendleton, sr.
Pitcher of the Year: Lauren Richards, Pendleton, soph.

First Team
P Lauren Richards, Pendleton, soph.
P Hannah McMerney, Hood River, soph.
P Maddie Bradford, The Dalles, sr.
C Zoe Munn, Hood River, soph.
C Jaime Hinkley, Hermiston, sr.
INF Ellery Jones, Hermiston, jr.
INF Ellie Richards, Pendleton, sr.
INF Kiersten Murphy, Pendleton, sr.
INF Kalan McGlothlin, Pendleton, soph.
INF Ruthie Ford, The Dalles, sr.
OF Alexis Morrison, Pendleton, sr.
OF Haylee Baker, Hood River, jr.
OF Kaylin Hoyman, The Dalles, jr.
OF Maddie Parker, Pendleton, jr.
DP Janessa Casteneda, Hood River
UTIL Rylee Gentner, Pendleton, soph.
UTIL Mikayla Kopacz, Hermiston, sr.

Second Team
P Julissa Almaguer, Hermiston, soph.
P Breyanna Naylor, Hermiston, sr.
C Gracie Helyer, The Dalles, sr.
INF Becca Engelbrecht, Hermiston, sr.
INF Made Valjejo, Hood River, sr.
INF Payton Hergert, Pendleton, jr.
INF Sierra Watson, The Dalles, jr.
OF Sydney Stefani, Hermiston, fresh.
OF Kathryn Bradford, The Dalles, soph.
OF Tatum Fell, Pendleton, jr.
OF Kylie Hinkley, Hermiston, sr.
UTIL Emma Weir, The Dalles, soph.
UTIL Amanda Barron, Hermiston, soph.
UTIL Alex Barton, Hermiston, jr.

Honorable Mention
Taylor Betz, Hermiston, sr.
Kiersten Miller, Hermiston, sr.
Feather Dick, Pendleton, sr.
Gracie Lyon, Pendleton, sr.
Lori Cimmiyotti, The Dalles, sr.

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