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•The Mountaineers are second in total offense with 438 yards a game, trailing only Southern Oregon’s 556.8. Eastern is fourth in scoring with 27.8 points a game. Montana Tech leads the way with 36, followed by Southern Oregon (33.3) and Montana Western (29.6).

•The EOU defense is fifth in points allowed (30.0), and seventh out of eight in total defense giving up 412.5 yards on average. Eastern is actually tied for second in yards allowed per-play, though, with 5.0. Montana Tech leads the Frontier at 4.6, but has also allowed half as many touchdowns (8) as EOU.

•Senior quarterback Zach Bartlow leads Frontier passers in yards (1,186), yards per game (296.5) and passing efficiency (150.6). His 59.4 completion percentage is fourth, and his 9-4 touchdown to interception ratio is second to Montana Tech’s Quinn McQueary’s 8-3.

•Senior running back Alfred Gross is third in rushing yards per game (91.0) and Bartlow is ninth (41.5). Gross’s 5.2 yards per rush is tied for fifth, but he is one of just three players to have at least 40 carries without a touchdown.

•Junior wide receiver Calvin Connors is third in yards receiving per game (93.0) and junior Skylar Williams is 10th (57.0). Both rank in the top five in yards per catch with Williams in second (22.8) and Connors in fourth (20.7). Connors is second in all-purpose yards per game (171.5) and has the only punt return touchdown.

•Nathan Harden is tied for the lead among Frontier kickers in percentage and hasn’t missed a kick, but his 2-for-2 total is tied for fewest attempts.

•Junior Michal Arenas, senior Tucker Stanley and junior Justin Hughes are all ranked in the top five in tackles. Arenas leads the conference with 45 (11.3 per game), Stanley is second (44) and Hughes is fourth (39). Next on the list for EOU is senior Jesus Retano in a tie for 15th (26).

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1/3 innings in the shortest start of his big league career. Fister has lost five straight decisions, and Houston has lost his last seven starts — all five innings or fewer.

George Springer hit a solo home run in the third for the Astros, who closed to 7-4 in the sixth on Evan Gattis’ solo homer.

UP NEXT

Mariners: LHP Ariel Miranda (5-2) will start the first of a four-game series Thursday against Oakland. Miranda will be making his 12th appearance and will be looking to rebound after giving up three runs in four innings Saturday at Minnesota.

Astros: Houston starts a three-game series at the Los Angeles Angels on Friday, and either RHP Joe Musgrove (4-4) or RHP Brad Peacock (0-0) is likely to start.

PREP FOOTBALL: Tigers look to stay unbeaten

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for 184 yards and rushing for 227 yards, but the team let up on both sides of the ball in the fourth quarter and allowed 26 points — something that can’t happen against the talented Hilanders.

The last time Umatilla opened the season 4-0 was 2009.

Burns is making its EOL return on Friday, moving up from the 2A ranks to rejoin the league it left in 2014. The Hilanders lost their season opener at 4A Sisters 25-22, but have won their last three games by an average score of 35-11.

RIVERSIDE (1-3) at IRRIGON (1-3), 7 p.m. — At Irrigon, the Knights will make their EOL debut on Friday as they look to rebound from a 52-18 loss last week to Coeur a’Alene (ID) JV, while Riverside lost to Mac-Hi 41-26.

The Knights are a young team, with juniors, 16 sophomores, and eight freshmen, and will go head-to-head against a senior-heavy Riverside team that has 14 of the 28 total players on the roster from the senior class. The game will also feature two very different offenses, with Irrigon deploying a run-heavy approach with the likes of Lino Covarrubia and Riverside featuring a pass-heavy approach with quarterback Mason Hegar.

WESTON-MCEWEN (1-3) at HEPPNER (3-1), 7 p.m. — At Heppner, the Mustangs



Staff photo by Kathy Aney

Stanfield and Enterprise squared off in Stanfield back in Week 1.

will look to keep their 20-game CBC win streak alive against a Weston-McEwen team that is hungry to get its season going back in the right direction.

Last week, Heppner rebounded from its first loss of the season with a 26-8 win over Imbler, while a shorthanded Weston-McEwen fell 8-6 in a heartbreaker at home against Union. Senior running back Ethan Reger is expected to be back on the field this week, but quarterback Brett Speed remains in concussion protocol after a big hit in Week 2.

Heppner’s last league defeat came back on Oct. 12, 2012 when it lost 33-14 on the road at Stanfield. The TigerScots have a tough start in league play with the Mustangs and Stanfield in back-to-back weeks.

CULVER (1-2) at STANFIELD (4-0), 7 p.m. — At Stanfield, the Tigers narrowly escaped

their first loss last week when they held off the Regis Rams 20-14 and will host a Culver team that picked up its first win of the year 40-8 over Vernonia.

After breezing through the first three games of the year, Stanfield really had to dig deep to get the win over Regis. The Tigers combined for just 155 rushing yards in the game — a far cry from the more than 400 yards they averaged going in — and had to rely on a few defensive stands deep in Tiger territory to hang on for the win.

ENTERPRISE (0-3) at PILOT ROCK (0-3), 7 p.m. — At Pilot Rock, the Rockets and Outlaws will have a lot on the line Friday as each team is still searching for win No. 1 of the season. Both teams have had extra time to prepare for this game, with both the Rockets and Outlaws having byes last week. For both teams, it’s also the



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BMCC goalie Jessica Adams braces herself for a kick from Starcia Deponte (2), of Columbia Basin College, during Wednesday’s game in Pendleton. Adams deflected the kick for a save.

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Mota said two others players were nursing injuries, and another had just joined the team this week and was not in game shape.

“It just didn’t line up for us and it was just too much to overcome and we fell short again,” he said.

Deponte assisted Gatherum again in the 63rd minute for a 2-0 lead, then got one of her own in the 76th minute off a pass by Alyne VanWinkle.

Both plays came after breakdowns in the BMCC defense, and Mota said he’s still waiting for the light to come on for several of his freshmen.

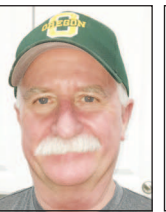
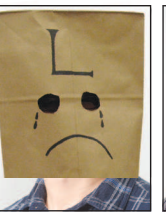
“It was a close game, we were still very much in it, but the injuries and just mistakes — in the NWAC when you make a mistake they make you pay and they make you pay dearly, and we just can’t stop from shooting ourselves in the foot,” he said.

Mota said the team is looking like it will have just 10 players available for its next game. Blue Mountain will continue the hunt for the program’s first win on Saturday at Wenatchee Valley (3-4-2, 1-4).

“We’re just going to continue to work,” Mota said, “and hopefully Saturday we’ll get a little break on our side and get a little bit of luck.”

PIGSKIN PICKERS

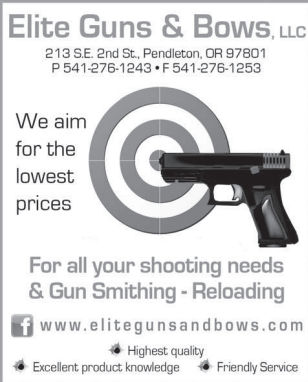
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Overall: 19-11	19-11	19-11	18-12	18-12	18-12	17-13	16-14	15-15	14-16
Last Week: 7-3	8-2	8-2	8-2	9-1	9-1	6-4	8-2	5-5	6-4
Hermiston at HRV	Hermiston	Hermiston	Hermiston	Hermiston	Hermiston	Hermiston	Hermiston	Hermiston	Hermiston
Redmond at Pendleton	Pendleton	Pendleton	Redmond	Redmond	Redmond	Pendleton	Redmond	Pendleton	Pendleton
Riverside at Irrigon	Irrigon	Irrigon	Irrigon	Riverside	Irrigon	Irrigon	Irrigon	Irrigon	Irrigon
Burns at Umatilla	Umatilla	Burns	Umatilla	Umatilla	Umatilla	Burns	Umatilla	Umatilla	Umatilla
Stanford at UW	Washington	Stanford	Washington	Washington	Stanford	Washington	Stanford	Washington	Stanford
Louisville at Clemson	Louisville	Louisville	Louisville	Clemson	Louisville	Louisville	Louisville	Louisville	Clemson
Oregon at WSU	Oregon	WSU	Oregon	Oregon	Oregon	Oregon	Oregon	Oregon	Oregon
Seahawks at Jets	Seahawks	Jets	Jets	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Jets	Seahawks
Rams at Cardinals	Cardinals	Cardinals	Cardinals	Cardinals	Cardinals	Cardinals	Cardinals	Rams	Cardinals
Chiefs at Steelers	Steelers	Steelers	Steelers	Chiefs	Chiefs	Steelers	Chiefs	Steelers	Steelers

Editor’s note: Picks for Ron Gibbs and Mario Ramirez were printed incorrectly in Week 3. These results reflect their actual picks.



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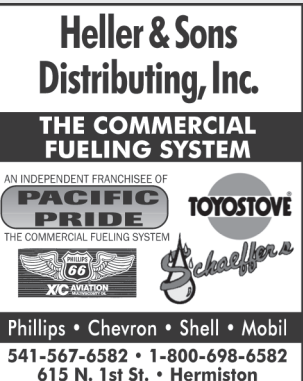
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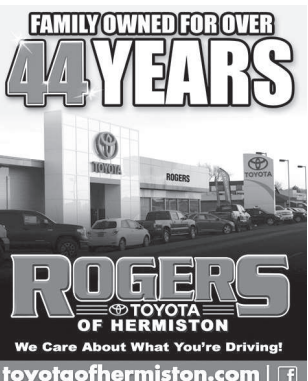
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