

BRIEFLY
Milton Freewater horse to race in Santa Anita Derby

Milton Freewater, the three-year-old thoroughbred colt named after the Umatilla County city, will compete Saturday in the prestigious \$1 million Santa Anita Derby.

Posted as a 30-1 outsider in a field of 13 horses, Milton Freewater needs a top-two finish to qualify for the Kentucky Derby on May 6.

The horse has two wins in seven starts and is trained by past Kentucky Derby-winning trainer Doug O'Neill.

The Santa Anita Derby will be broadcast live on the NBC Sports Network on Saturday from 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Batter up: softball teams to register

HERMISTON — With summer just around the corner, it's time for teams to register for softball leagues through Hermiston Parks & Recreation.

There are several leagues to choose from, including:

- Mens: ASA, unlimited home runs, double headers. (Tuesdays and Wednesdays). Costs \$450 per team
- Recreational Coed A League: ASA, 3 home runs progressive, single headers, teams that want to be competitive. (Mondays). Costs \$390 per team.
- Recreational Coed B League: ASA, 3 home runs progressive, single headers, a combination of two players from recreation, A and/or men's league are allowed. (Thursdays and Fridays). Costs \$390 per team.
- Recreational Coed C League: ASA, 3 home runs progressive, single headers. No player from Recreation A or B league or men's league are allowed. (Thursdays and Fridays). Costs \$390 per team.

All leagues run from may through July. The games are at 6 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. at Theater Sports Park, 1800 N.W. Sixth St., Hermiston.

For more information, visit www.hermistonrecreation.com. To register, call 541-667-5018 or stop by the recreation office, 180 N.E. Second St., Hermiston.

-East Oregonian

SHERMAN: Has spent entire career in Seattle, but team starting to think future

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sion that a deal was unlikely to happen on Wednesday, but Seattle is sending a message that it is clearly listening when it comes to its former All-Pro cornerback.

“It’s just open communication. He knows what’s going on. We know what’s going on,” Schneider said. “I don’t know if anything would ever happen, but like I tell people all the time, 98 percent of the deals that we’re involved with, we don’t follow through with. But at least we’ve opened that door, gone down the road and seen what’s behind Door A or Door B.”

Sherman has spent his entire career with the Seahawks. He’s coming off his most volatile season that included two sideline blowups during games when he clashed with coaches and had to be pulled aside by teammates. He’s also part of a defense that is getting older — Sherman just turned 29 — and the upcoming draft is loaded with talent in the secondary.

Schneider said there has been clear communication with Sherman about what is going on, saying the trade rumors haven’t been a secret and they’re not going to lie about what is happening.

“It’s going to be all laid out, and like I said, that doesn’t happen everywhere,” Schneider said. “We have open lines of communication between our coaching staff and our player personnel staff. It goes through player development, it goes through our sports science group. There’s a lot going on there.”

TENNIS: Hermiston boys and girls beat Hood River

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made it a quick 6-0, 6-0 match.

Johnston wasn’t the only Buckaroo struggling to find his touch on Wednesday, and Holdman said unforced errors were the main contributing factor to each loss.

“Our kids are stroking the ball better, their technique is better, we’re just not consistent,” he said. “Nobody was hitting the ball very hard today, they’re just beating themselves with too many unforced errors.”

Chris Riviello was steady at No. 2 singles to beat Easton Phelan 6-1, 6-0, and Ben Fick won at No. 3 singles 6-0, 6-1 over Jeremy Sellers (another converted doubles player).

Adam and Luke Harter took the No. 1 doubles match 6-1, 6-1 over Elton Harrison and Stanton Schmitz. The No. 2 doubles match was won by Amulto Perez and Jay Fiedler 6-0, 6-1 over Josh Mendoza and Joey Savage.

UP NEXT

Pendleton will host Milwaukie on Friday at 2 p.m.

HERMISTON 5, THE DALLIES 3 — At The Dalles, the Bulldogs swept doubles play and got some gritty match-break wins to beat the Riverhawks on Wednesday in their Columbia River Conference opener.

Thomas McCullough and Patrick Wicks picked up one of those big wins at No. 1 doubles as they regrouped for a 10-8 match-break win over the team from The Dalles.

Hayden Cissna overcame a slow start to force the extra set and beat Pedro Lopez 10-7 at No. 3 singles, and Jose Sanchez and Matt Eckhardt got a win by forfeit when one of their opponents suffered a badly cut finger during the third set



Staff photo by Matt Entrup

Pendleton’s Elton Harrison prepares to return a shot in his doubles tennis match against Hood River on Wednesday in Pendleton.

of their match. The No. 4 doubles match also went down to a tiebreak that Hermiston won.

“We’ve been pushing a lot of doubles strategy stuff lately and some of the guys have really been working on communicating in matches,” said Hermiston coach Shann West. “That can disrupt what your opponents are doing and some of our guys have been able to take advantage of that, getting the head of their opponents.”

UP NEXT

Hermiston will play at Hood River Valley on Wednesday at 4 p.m.

HERMISTON 5, THE DALLIES 3
Singles
Quinn Wilson (T) def. Caleb Jorgensen 6-1, 6-4
James Pashek (T) def. Jose Gonzalez 6-3, 6-2
Hayden Cissna (H) def. Pedro Lopez 3-6, 6-1 (10-7)

Andy Lopez (T) def. Austin Garcia 6-3, 6-0
Doubles
McCullough/Wicks (H) def. Lopez/Rodriguez 6-4, 5-7 (10-8)
Morris/Grigg (H) def. Martin/Bautista 6-1, 6-1
Eckhardt/Zanchez (H) def. Petel/Eistand FF (Injury)
Zepeta/Zepeta (H) def. Dexter/Contreras 6-4, 4-6 (10-8)

GIRLS TENNIS
HERMISTON 5, THE DALLIES 3 — At Hermiston, a doubles sweep lifted the Bulldogs over the Riverhawks on Wednesday in both teams’ Columbia River Conference opener.

“Number one and number two doubles once again really stepped up and played strong, probably the best I’ve seen out of them all year,” said Hermiston coach Jason Sivey. He said Katelyn Millard and Jaycee Ternes continue to look more

BMCC: Baseball bats stay quiet as Spokane earns sweep

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run.

Ulrey pitched Game 1 as well, allowing nine hits and six walks with four strikeouts. She did give up seven runs, though only one of those was earned.

BMCC got the bats going early and often in Game 2, scoring two runs apiece in the first and second innings. Sarah Bonner led off the game with her team-leading eighth home run and later in the inning Siaki scored from third on an error by the TVCC shortstop for a 2-0 lead.

In the second inning, Cagle — who tallied a team-high four hits on the day — smacked a two-RBI double to left field which boosted BMCC’s lead to 4-0. The Timberwolves then added on in the fourth inning with a sacrifice fly from Bonner to bring home Miah Slater for a 5-0 lead.

But at that point, TVCC’s bats got comfortable with BMCC pitcher Tiffany Snyder. After registering a mere two hits through the first three innings, the Chukars smacked 10 hits over the final four innings and eventually tied the game at 6-6 in the sixth inning.

Then with one out in the seventh, the Chukars won in walk-off fashion with a RBI double from Bailee Mills.

UP NEXT

Blue Mountain hits the road again this weekend when it heads to Big Bend on Friday for a double-header at 2 p.m.

Game 1				R	H	E
BMCC	070100	0	—	8	9	2
TVCC	007000	0	—	7	9	4
WP — M. Ulrey, LP — B. Mills.						
2B — M. Ulrey (BMCC); R. Curry, A. Beers (TVCC).						
HR — E. Shenk (TVCC).						

Game 2				R	H	E
BMCC	220101	0	—	6	10	2
TVCC	000114	1	—	7	12	3
WP — R. Curry, LP — T. Snyder.						
2B — L. Cagle (BMCC); M. Smith, E. Shenk, B. Mills, R. Curry, M. Aberasturi, A. Beers (TVCC). HR — S. Bonner (BMCC); S. MacFee (TVCC).						

Baseball
SPOKANE 4-10, BLUE MOUNTAIN 2-0 — At Spokane, Washington, the Spokane pitching staff kept the Blue Mountain bats quiet nearly all day long in a double-header sweep of the Timberwolves on Wednesday afternoon.

In Game 1, Blue Mountain (12-12, 3-3 NWAC East) scored the game’s first runs as Tate Spivey’s RBI single in the third got it started, and then Spivey scored later in the inning to give BMCC a 2-0 lead after three.

But in the fourth, Spokane (11-8, 4-2) got to BMCC pitcher Brian Howell and tallied four hits and four runs in the inning, which proved to be all the offense it would need as the Sasquatch cruised to the 4-2 victory.

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SCOREBOARD

Local Slate

PREP BASEBALL

Today
Pendleton at La Grande (2), 3/5 p.m.
Friday
Nysa at Riverside (2), 1/3 p.m.
Irrigon at Umatilla (2), 1/3 p.m.
Stanfield at Burns (2), 1/3 p.m.
Heritage (WA) at Hermiston (2) 1:30/3:30 p.m.
Saturday
Mac-Hi at Ontario (2), 1/3 p.m.
Pilot Rock at Weston-McEwen (2), 11 a.m./1 p.m.

PREP SOFTBALL

Today
Pendleton at La Grande (2), 3/4:30 p.m.
Pilot Rock at Riverside, 4:30 p.m.
Friday
Echo at Burns (2), 2/4 p.m.
Saturday
Culver at Pilot Rock (2), 11 a.m./1 p.m.
Echo at Bonanza, 11 a.m.
Mac-Hi at Ontario (2), 1/3 p.m.
Central Catholic at Hermiston (2), 1/3 p.m.
Echo vs. Oakland (at Bonanza), 2 p.m.

PREP GOLF

Friday
Mac-Hi at Milton-Freewater GC, Noon
Pendleton, Hermiston girls at Eagle Crest Resort, 9 a.m.

PREP TRACK & FIELD

Friday
Pendleton, Mac-Hi, Riverside, Irrigon, Umatilla, Pilot Rock, Weston-McEwen, Echo, Helix at Pendleton, 10 a.m.
Hermiston at Eisenhower (WA), 10 a.m.
Arlington at Seaside, 10 a.m.
Ione at Glide, 11 a.m.

PREP TENNIS

Friday
Mac-Hi at Riverside, 3:30 p.m.
Ione at Helix, 4 p.m.
Saturday
Mac-Hi at La Grande, 11 a.m.
Sherman, Riverside at Helix, 10 a.m.

PREP LACROSSE

Friday
Hermiston at Lincoln, 8 p.m.
Saturday
Hermiston at Cleveland, 12:30 p.m.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Saturday
Walla Walla at Blue Mountain (2), 1/4 p.m.

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Friday
Blue Mountain at Big Bend (2), 2/4 p.m.
Northwest (WA) at Eastern Oregon (2), 2/4 p.m.
Saturday
Northwest at Eastern Oregon (2), 11 a.m./1 p.m.

Prep Scores

BASEBALL				
Class 6A				
Lincoln 0, FRANKLIN 0				
GRAIT 4, Wilson 1				
MADISON 7, Roosevelt 6				
Southridge 2, CENTURY 1				
SUNSET 5, Alesu 3				
Glencoe 11, JEHOT 4				
GRESHAM 19, Barlow 9, 6 innings				
Oregon City 6, CENTENNIAL 2				
Reynolds 15, DAVID DOUGLAS 1				
CLACKAMAS 5, CENTRAL CATHOLIC 2				
Lake Oswego 12, TIGARD 0				
SHERWOOD 4, West Linn 3				
Tualatin 8, NEWBERG 0				
WEST ALBANY 3, South Salem 0				

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MCMINNVILLE 5, Forest Grove 1
Sprague 15, MCKAY 2
WEST SALEM 2, Westview 1
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MILWAUKIE 2, Hillsboro 1
Wilsonville 12, ST. HELENS 1
La Salle Prep 9, SANDY 1
LEBANON 4, Dallas 1
Crescent Valley 10, WOODBURN 0
Corvallis 7, SOUTH ALBANY 4
CENTRAL 4, Silvertown 3
SUMMIT 11, Ridgeview 1, 5 innings
MOUNTAIN VIEW 10, Redmond 3
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Philomath 16, STAYTON 1
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CASCADE 12, Yamhill-Carlton 1, 5 innings

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DOUGLAS 5, Glide 4, 8 innings
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Putnam 5, LA SALLE PREP 0
HILLSBORO 8, Sandy 1
Milwaukie 4, PARKROSE 3
SILVERTON 3, Lebanon 0
South Albany 15, CRESCENT VALLEY 1
Ridgeview 12, SUMMIT 1
MOUNTAIN VIEW 5, Redmond 4, 9 innings

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