SPORTS

BUCKAROOS: Wolotira makes 14 key saves

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The first half was played pretty evenly as it was evident that both teams were still working out the kinks of their playing structure. The Mustangs outshot the Buckaroos in the first half, but as the halftime buzzer sounded the scoreboard still read 0-0.

The Buckaroos did have a couple prime scoring chances in the first half, including one where Sawyer Powell missed high with a straight-on shot from a distance. But the miss that really hurt came halfway through the half, when Jose Rodriguez chased a ball towards the goal, shrugged off contact from the Milwaukie goalkeeper and clanked the ball off the near post.

But in the second half, the offensive chances dried up. Pendleton lost its structure and couldn't possess the ball like it needed to work into legitimate scoring opportunities.

"We really want to work when we don't have the ball rather than when we have the ball and those things came about when guys trusted teammates and gave the ball to that teammate and worked way into open space," Talbot said of the chances. "If we can reward the guy that works off the ball, good things are going to happen for us and that was really the difference, we were able to do that a few times early and second half it just wasn't there." Milwaukie finally broke the game's

scoring drought in the fifth minute of the second half, when forward Antonio Cuevas slipped behind the Buckaroo defense and beat goalkeeper Andrew Wolotira for a 1-0 Mustang lead. Even though Wolotira ended the

game with four goals allowed, he was the standout player for the Buckaroos with 14 saves (unofficially) and singlehandily kept his team within striking distance for roughly 65 minutes.

"If we don't have Andrew in there we probably lose this game by double digits," Talbot said. "He definitely saved our butt. I felt defensively our guys did what they needed to do in large part because he does an excellent job getting those guys talking."

A few saves drew some cheers from the small crowd, including a sliding save with 22 minutes remaining in the second half on a 1-on-1 chance from a Mustang and a diving, one-handed stop just a few minutes later.

Wolotira said afterward that those situations is where all the hours of



Pendleton's Aiden Henderson runs past Milwaulkie's Daniel Aranda in the Bucks' 4-0 loss to the Mustangs on Thursday in Pendleton.

practice really come into play.

"I just know I have tocut off angles and it's mainly reflex now and instinct," he said. "I can't stand back and wait have to come out and cut off angles for shots."

But Wolotira could only do so much. Milwaukie struck again with 16:54 left to play when Obermars Martinez ripped a booming shot from 30 yards out to make it a 2-0 Mustang lead.

Milwaukie scored twice more in the last six minutes of play to pad its lead.

"We just need to come together more as a team because the second half we lost playing as a team and lost some communication," Wolotira said. "We need to work a little more on possession and work more in practices and hopefully win next time out.

Pendleton will stay home to host La Grande on Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

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FOOTBALL: Pilot Rock makes 8-man debut

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season on Friday night. The Vikings are riding a two-game win streak in the series, after beating the Bobcats 21-13 last season in Umatilla. After narrowly missing out on a playoff spot with a 6-3 record last season, Umatilla wants to start a strong run in 2017 and Union presents a good first test.

The Bobcats went 4-4 overall in 2016 but made the playoffs where they fell to Toledo 54-14.

IRRIGON vs. AMITY, 7 p.m. (at Hood River)—The Knights and Warriors met for the first time in the 2016 season opener at The Dalles and this year they meet again, this time at Hood River.

Amity came out on top 26-13 in that last meeting, and then finished off a 6-3 season with a postseason berth. Irrigon was young in 2016 and finished 2-7, but the Knights return eight starters and want to get off to

a better start this year. GRANT UNION at WESTON-MCEWEN, p.m. — Once Blue Mountain Conference foes, the TigerScots and Prospectors have met Week 1 in each of the past three seasons and they do it again this season in Athena.

The Prospectors have won two straight in the series, most recently a dominant 26-0 victory over the Tiger-Scots last year in John Day.

Weston-McEwen fell just short of the postseason last year and returns numerous starters led by QB Brett Speed, RB Jacob Speed and lineman Weston Phillips. Grant Union went 6-4 last year and made the postseason, and lost just one senior to graduation.

ST.PAUL at HEPPNER, 7 p.m. — Every year, the Mustangs graduate all-state talent yet seem to not miss a beat.

Heppner is primed to do that again this season, led by all-state lineman Wyatt Steagall and all-league athletes Coby Dougherty and Beau Wolters and quarterback Kevin Smith. Heppner made it to its fourth straight 2A semifinal game in 2016 and wants to make it five this year.

The Mustangs welcome in the St. Paul Buckaroos, a program that has been just as consistent as the Mustangs over the past 20-plus years. Heppner got the better of the Buckaroos last year, squeaking out a 22-18 victory on the road. Heppner will be roaring and ready to go in front of its home crowd at Les Payne Field and sporting its brand-new Nike uniforms. ELGIN at PILOT

ROCK, 7 p.m. — Perhaps one of the most intriguing games of the week in Eastern Oregon will be in Pilot Rock on Friday, as the Rockets, under second-year coach Mike Baleztena, make their debut in 8-man football as a 2A independent.

And their first game pres-ents a good first challenge, with an Elgin Huskies team

that went 3-5 last year. ECHOatARLINGTON/ **CONDON, 7 p.m.** — The last time Echo and Arlington met on the football field was 2013, when the Honkers sent the Cougars back home with an 80-40 defeat.

Both teams made the play-offs last year, with Arlington going 6-3 and Echo going 5-4. But the Honkers lost some talented seniors and the Cougars return several playmakers on offense and defense including QB Devan Craig, RB Zack Gehrke and WR/DB Ty Mulder.

Coaches can report scores and statistics by calling 1-800-522-0255 or emailing sports@eastoregonian.com

SEAHAWKS: Drew nine penalties

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is attempting to trade the veteran.

NOT VERY SHARP Seattle drew nine penalties for 122 yards. Three of the penalties were personal fouls and two were for defensive pass interfere



PREPS: Helix picks up two more wins

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"I thought we grew a lot tonight as the match went on," Weston-McEwen coach Shawn White said. "I was really pleased with our defensive improvement, it was by far the best defense this year and led to a lot of long rallies for us." Leading the defensive charge was senior libero Chelsea Quaempts and her team-high 39 digs, while junior Keree Graves had Offensively, Alyssa 10. Finifrock led the team with 11 kills, Maddi Muilenburg had seven and Hailey Weaver had six, while Bryce Thul had 19 assists, Ellie Scheibner had 11.

HELIX WINS TWICE HELIX Helix

toppled both Stanfield and Mac-Hi with 3-0 victories in a tri-match on Thursday night, giving the Grizzlies five shutout victories on the season.

Helix now has a week off until they host Riverside on Thursday evening.

IRRIGON 3, HERM-ISTON (JV) 1

IRRIĜOŃ The Knights remain unbeaten in 2017 after beating the Herm-

Oakland had seven penalties for 60 yards.

SITTING OUT THE ANTHEM

Like they have done throughout the preseason, both Bennett and Marshawn Lynch sat during the playing of the national anthem before the game. Bennett sat on a bench on the Seattle sideline while center Justin Britt stood beside Bennett with his hand on his teammate's shoulder. Britt did the same thing twice before. Lynch sat in front of a row of coolers on the Raiders sideline in the same fashion he has every game

AP Photo/Eric Risberg

Seattle Seahawks' Cyril Grayson Jr. (13) runs in front of Oakland Raiders defensive back Marcus McWilson (28) during the first half of an NFL preseason football game in Oakland, Calif. on Thursday.

during the preseason.

INJURÊD SEAHAWK Second-year Seattle cornerback DeAndre Elliott suffered what appeared to be a serious right leg injury midway through the second quarter. Players

from both teams came out to check on Elliott and the entire Seahawks squad surrounded him as he was loaded onto a cart. Elliott raised his right hand in a thumbs-up sign while being driven away.

Finifrock also had a teamhigh four aces.

Weston-McEwen next heads to Heppner on Saturday for a tournament, with play starting at 8 a.m.

Against Stanfield (0-1), Helix (5-1) won 25-8, 25-21, 25-15 and then beat Mac-Hi 25-12, 25-15, 25-15. Sadie Wilson had a big night for the Grizzlies with 14 combined kills and seven serving aces picked up against Mac-Hi (0-2). Charmayne Bennett was also a standout performer from the serving line, coach Dianna Melton said.

Helix competed without senior hitter Kailey Mize, who was out with an ankle injury but libero Kyleen Stahancyk was back and that was a huge boost to the Grizzlies, Melton added.

iston junior varsity by a 3-1 score on Thursday night.

Irrigon (3-0) took the first set 25-8 and then dropped the next set 25-16, but finished off the Bulldogs 25-14 and 26-24.

"Our team battled, I am very proud of the performance of each and every girl," Irrigon coach Lisa Connell said.

The Knights next play on Tuesday when they travel to Heppner.

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Local slate

Friday

Hermiston at Union (WA), 4:30 p.m. La Grande at Pendleton, 7 p.m. Mac-Hi at Dayton-Waitsburg (WA), 7 p.m. Umatilla at Union, 7 p.m. Irrigon vs. Amity (at Hood River), 7 p.m. Grant Union at Weston-McEwen, 7 p.m. Stanfield at Enterprise, ccd. St. Paul at Heppner, 7 p.m. Elgin at Pilot Rock, 7 p.m. Echo vs. Arlington (at Condon), 7 p.m.

PREP FOOTBALL

PREP VOLLEYBALL

Friday Pendleton, Hermiston at Mountain View Invite, 8 a.m. Imbler at Pilot Rock, 4 p.m. Stanfield at Echo, 4 p.m. Umatilla at Union, 5:30 p.m. Saturday Weston-McEwen, Pilot Rock at Heppner Tournament, 9 a.m.

PREP BOYS SOCCER

Friday La Grande at Hermiston, 4:30 p.m. Oregon Episcopal at Umatilla, 4:30 p.m. Saturday Oregon Épiscopal at Riverside, 1 p.m.

PREP GIRLS SOCCER

Friday Mac-Hi at Walla Walla (WA), 4 p.m. Saturday Umatilla at Pendleton, Noon Riverside at Stevenson (WA), 1 p.m.

PREP CROSS COUNTRY Saturday Hermiston, Umatilla, Heppner at Ultimook Nike Invitational, 8 a.m.

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Friday Eastern Oregon at Southern Oregon, 7 p.m. Saturday

Eastern Oregon at Oregon Tech, 5 p.m.

COLLEGE MEN'S SOCCER

Friday Eastern Oregon at Whitman, 4 p.m.

Baseball

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Tampa Bay	67	68.496	9%
Toronto	62	72.463	14
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Cleveland	76	56 .576	_
Minnesota	70	63.526	6½
Kansas City	65	67.492	11
Detroit	58	74 .439	18
Chicago	52	80.394	24
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Texas	66	67.496	14
Seattle	66	68.493	141/2
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San Diego	59	74 .444 321/2			

San Francisco 53 83 .390 40 Thursday's Games Cincinnati 7, N.Y. Mets 2 Arizona 8, L.A. Dodgers 1 Philadelphia 3, Miami 2 Chicago Cubs 6, Atlanta 2 Milwaukee 6, Washington 3 St. Louis 5, San Francisco 2 Friday's Games N.Y. Mets at Houston, ppd Atlanta (Foltynewicz 10-10) at Chicago Cubs (Lackey 10-10), 11:20 a.m. Cincinnati (Castillo 2-7) at Pittsburgh (Cole 11-8), 4:05 p.m. Philadelphia (Pivetta 5-9) at Miami (Straily 8-8), 4:10 p.m. 8-8), 4:10 p.m. Washington (Roark 11-8) at Milwaukee (Nelson 10-6), 5:10 p.m. Arizona (Walker 7-7) at Colorado (Freeland 11-8), 5:40 p.m. LA Dedrace (Kacheur 15-2) at Sap Diago L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 15-2) at San Diego (Lamet 7-5), 7:10 p.m. St. Louis (Flaherty 0-0) at San Francisco (Cueto 6-7), 7:15 p.m. Wild Card Standings AMERICAN LEAGUE w L Pct GB .538 .526 .515 62 63 65 New York 71 +1 70 69 Minnesota 1½ Los Angeles 2½ 4 4 Baltimore 68 67 66 .507 Tampa Bay 68 .496 67 .496 66 Texas Seattle 66 65 68 .493 67 .492 41/ Kansas City 41/2 NATIONAL LEAGUE L Pct GB
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Friday's Games Hillsboro at Boise, 6:15 p.m. Everett at Spokane, 6:30 p.m. Eugene at Salem-Keizer, 6:35 p.m. Vancouver at Tri-City, 7:15 p.m.

Soccer

SCOREBOARD

MLS Saturday's Games Chicago at Montreal, 4 p.m. Orlando City at New England, 4 p.m. New York at FC Dallas, 6 p.m. Colorado at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.

Basketball

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x-Los Angeles	24	8	.750	1
Phoenix	16	16	.500	9
Dallas	16	17	.485	91/2
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Friday's Games Seattle at Washington, 4 p.m. (NBATV) San Antonio at New York, 4:30 p.m. Chicago at Minnesota, 5 p.m. Connecticut at Phoenix, 7 p.m. Atlanta at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.

Tennis

U.S. Open How seeds fared Wednesday At USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center New York Arthur Ashe Stadium Men's Singles Second Round Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, def. Taro Daniel, Japan, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-2. Japan, 4-0, 6-3, 6-2, 6-2. Leonardo Mayer, Argentina, def. Yuichi Sugita, Japan, 6-7 (3), 6-4, 6-3, 6-4. Viktor Troicki, Serbia, def. Stefano Travaglia, Italy, 7-6 (6), 7-5, 6-0. Aleksandr Dolgopolov, Ukraine, def. Tomas Berdych (15), Czech Republic, 3-6, 6-1, 76 (6), 6-2. 6-1, 7-6 (5), 6-2.

David Goffin (9), Belgium, def. Guido Pella, Argentina, 3-6, 7-6 (5), 6-7 (2), 7-6 (4), 6-3. Gael Monfils (18), France, def. Donald

Voung, United States, 6-3, 6-7 (3), 6-4, 2-6, 7-5. Damir Dzumhur, Bosnia-Herzegovina, def. Cedrik-Narcel Stebe, Germany, 4-6, 6-4, 6-0, 6-1. Andrey Rubley, Russia, def. Grigor Dimi-troy (7), Bullogia, 7-5, 6 (2), 6-2.

trov (7), Bulgaria, 7-5, 7-6 (3), 6-3. Roger Federer (3), Switzerland, def. Mikhail Youzhny, Russia, 6-1, 6-7 (3), 4-6,

Virtial rouzility, Russia, 6-1, 6-7 (3), 4-6, 6-4, 6-2. Feliciano Lopez (31), Spain, def. Fernando Verdasco, Spain, 6-3, 6-2, 3-6, 6-1. Philipp Kohlschreiber, Germany, def. Santi-

Prinipp Konschreiber, Germany, dei. Sahu-ago Giraldo, Colombia, 6-2, 6-1, 3-0. John Millman, Australia, def. Malek Jaziri, Tunisia, 6-1, 7-6 (1), 6-1. Roberto Bautista-Agut (11), Spain, def. Dustin Brown, Germany, 6-1, 6-3, 7-6 (3). Juan Martin Del Potro (24), Argentina, def.

- Adrian Menendez, Spain, 6-2, 6-3, 7-6 (3). Adrian Mannarino (30), France, def. Bjor Fratangelo, United States, 6-3, 6-7 (4),
- 6-1, 6-2. Dominic Thiem (6), Austria, def. Taylor
- Fritz, United States, 6-4, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5

- Women's Singles Second Round Karolina Pliskova (1), Czech Republic, def. Nicole Gibbs, United States, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4. Shuai Zhang (27), China, def. Risa Ozaki, Japan, 6-0, 6-3.
- Japan, 6-0, 6-3. Jennifer Brady, United States, def. Barbo-ra Strycova (23), Czech Republic, 6-1, 6-1. Monica Niculescu, Romania, def. Ana Bogdan, Romania, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3. Agnieszka Radwanska (10), Poland, def.
- Yulia Putintseva, Kazakhstan, 7-5, 6-2
- Coco Vandeweghe (20), United States, def. Ons Jabeur, Tunisia, 7-6 (6), 6-2. Lucie Safarova, Czech Republic, def. Nao Hibino, Japan, 6-1, 3-6, 6-2. Kurumi Nara, Japan, def. Svetlana Kuznetsova (8), Russia, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.

- Nuzitetsova (6), nussia, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3. Elina Svitolina (4), Ukraine, def. Evgeniya Rodina, Russia, 6-4, 6-4. Shelby Rogers, United States, def. Daria Gavrilova (25), Australia, 7-6 (6), 4-6, 7-6 (5). Elena Vesnina (17), Russia, def. Kirsten Flipkens, Belgium, 6-4, 6-4.

- Flipkens, Belgium, 6-4, 6-4. Madison Keys (15), United States, def. Tatjana Maria, Germany, 6-3, 6-4. Jelena Ostapenko (12), Latvia, def. Sorana Cirstea, Romania, 6-4, 6-4. Daria Kasatkina, Russia, def. Christina McHale, United States, 7-5, 6-3.

- Kaia Kanepi, Estonia, def. Yanina Wickmay-er, Belgium, 6-4, 6-2. Naomi Osaka, Japan, def. Denisa Allerto-va, Czech Republic, 6-3, 4-6, 7-5.

Football

NFL Preseason Thursday's Games

Thursday's Games Jacksonville 13, Atlanta 7 Buffalo 27, Detroit 17 Green Bay 24, L.A. Rams 10 Indianapolis 7, Cincinnati 6 N.Y. Jets 16, Philadelphia 10 N.Y. Giants 40, New England 38 Pittsburgh 17, Carolina 14 Washington 13, Tampa Bay 10 Clavelard 25, Chiarga 0, Vasilington 1, anipa bay to Cleveland 25, Chicago 0 Miami 30, Minnesota 9 Baltimore 14, New Orleans 13 Kansas City 30, Tennessee 6 Denver 30, Arizona 2 San Francisco 23, LA. Chargers 13 Scattle 17, Ocklend 12 Seattle 17. Oakland 13 Dallas vs Houston, ccd

Golf

PGA Tour

Channel), 12-3 p.m. (NBC); Monday, 8:30-10:30 a.m. (Golf Channel), 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (NBC). Defending champion: Rory McIlroy. Last week: Dustin Johnson won The Northern Trust.

LPGA Tour Portland Classic

Thursday At Columbia Edgewater CC Portland, Ore. Purse: \$1.3 million Yardage: 6,476; Par: 72 (36-36) First Round In Gee Chun Cheyenne Woods Nicole Broch Larsen Nasa Hataoka 34-32-66 34-32-00 33-34-67 32-35-67 34-33-67 32-35-67 Cindy LaCrosse Moriya Jutanugarn Brooke M. Henderson 35-32-67 35-32—67 34-34—68 Amelia Lewis Lexi Thompson 32-36—68 34-34—68 36-32—68 Candie Kung Wichanee Meechai Aditi Ashok 35-33-68 Aditi Asnok Dani Holmqvist Brianna Do Jacqui Concolino Ilhee Lee Lee-Anne Pace 32-36-68 32-36-68 32-36-68 33-35-68 35-33—68 36-32—68 Dori Carter 34-35-69 Caroline Hedwall Wei-Ling Hsu 35-34-69 35-34-69 Mel Reid 36-33—69 32-37—69 Jodi Ewart Shadoff