# **BMCC:** Timberwolves' play in Game 2 showed their potential

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that have the right work ethic and are competitive."

The biggest hurdle the Timberwolves have yet to clear is keeping their focus for all 18 innings of doubleheaders in regional play. They have played three doubleheaders so far and have split each one of them, featuring one game of fantastic baseball while the other game falls off the rails.

"I'll keep thinking of how to get them to play the full 18," Baker said. "But once we get there and play like we're capable of playing, we're going to be tough to beat."

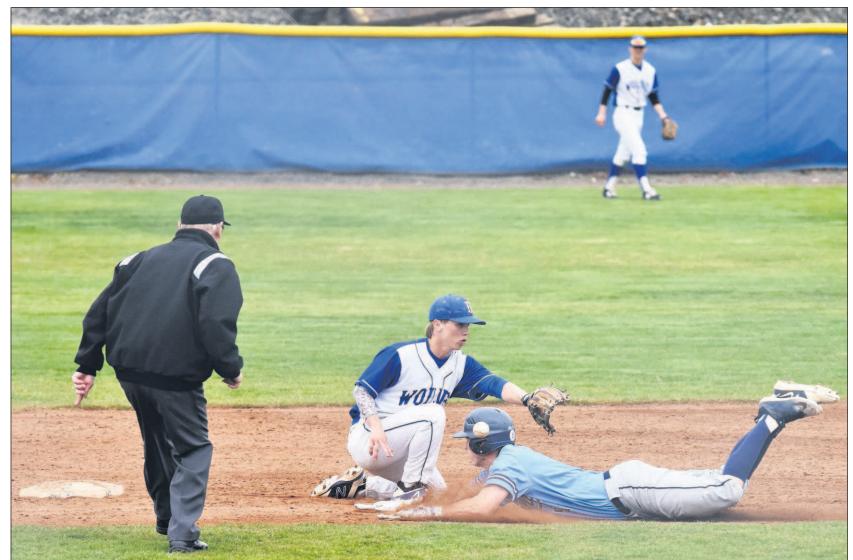
The way the Timberwolves played in Game 2 against Spokane certainly showed their potential, where they cranked 15 hits and scored 11 runs in an 11-3 victory over the Sasquatch. This was on the heels of a 10-4 loss in Game 1.

In the bottom of the third inning, the Timberwolves came to bat after the Sasquatch had just scored a run in the top half to make it a 2-1 game. However, instead of letting the Sasquatch gain the momentum this time, the Timberwolves hung on to it.

Dustin Durflinger and TJ Rea hit back-to-back singles and one batter later, Alex Salsman turned on a first-pitch curveball and blasted it 350 feet over the left-center field fence for a three-run home run and a 5-1 lead.

"I always have a mindset for first-pitch fastball, but I just tried to get my pitch and it was there and I put my swing on it and it happened to go out," Salsman said. "It felt great."

Spokane then added two runs in the sixth to make it a 5-3 game, but once again the Timberwolves didn't give up the momentum. Joe Hixenbaugh hit an RBI double to left and Brady White had an RBI single to right field to push the



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

BMCC's T.J. Rea misses the ball as Spokane's Aaron Fritts slides into second base in the Timberwolves' 10-4 loss to the Sasquatch in the first game of a doubleheader Wednesday in Pendleton.

lead back to four runs.

But the Timberwolves' bats weren't finished.

In the seventh inning, nine batters stepped to the plate and four of them scored after Hunter Hughes' two-RBI single and Durflinger's two-RBI single.

Durflinger reached base in all five plate appearances in the game, with four singles, one hit-by-pitch and he scored twice. In 26 games this season, Durflinger holds a .320 batting average and an outstanding .416 on-base percentage, which is great production for a leadoff hitter.

'That guys has been the ultimate warrior," Baker said of Durflinger. "He does everything you want as a coach. He works hard, he's tough, he's a great student and he's been a real table-setter for us."

BMCC also had some solid pitching efforts, with Fabian Green earning the win after five innings of three-hit one-run ball with six strikeouts, and Brooks Juhasz throwing three innings of relief with three hits and two runs allowed with three strikeouts.

In Game 1, things didn't go

the Timberwolves' way after a solid start to the game.

Tanner Broom had two RBI singles in the first and third innings to give the Timberwolves a 2-0 lead, however the pitching couldn't hold off the Sasquatch's offense. BMCC starter Colton Walker was tagged with five hits, five runs and five walks allowed over 5 2/3 innings, while relievers Tyler Poe and Austyn Wayenberg allowed five more hits and five more runs in 3 1/3 innings of relief.

The Timberwolves scored twice more in the seventh

by Durflinger and an RBI single by Nate Cantonwine, but that was it for the offense.

inning on an RBI groundout

The Timberwolves stranded seven runners in the game and were 3-for-10 hitting with runners in scoring position (they were 5-for-7 with runners in scoring position in Game 2). Salsman believes that once the Timberwolves can be more consistent in that department, then more games will turn into wins.

"I feel like we're doing good, it's just the timely hits,' Salsman said. "We get more timely hits in the games we win and I feel like as a team we're going to push through that and get some sweeps here

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Keough (9) and D. Durflinger. W — Green,

## 2B — J. Hixenbaugh (BMCC). HR — J. Vandervert (CCS); A. Salsman (BMCC).

# **ROUNDUP:** Hermiston girls tennis team perfect on the road

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and eventually wore down the their pitcher and got the pitches we wanted to see. It was a good night for us." **UP NEXT** 

Pendleton Mac-Hi on April 10.

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(P) L. Richards and K. Solomon. (LG) A.
Brock, M. Bell (7) and Seavert. W — Richards, L — Brock. 2B — A. Garton, C. Cooley (PHS); J. Howton (LG). HR — A. Brehaut, Ka. McGlothan

# BASEBALL

BEND 3, PENDLETON At Hood River, the four-game win streak that Pendleton put together at the Red Lion Buckaroo Classic over Spring Break came to a stop on Wednesday in a tough loss to Bend.

The Buckaroos (5-6) were the first on the board after Gabe Umbarger hit an



Photo by Ronald Bond/La Grande Observer

Pendleton's Alexi Brehaut (16) is surrounded by her teammates at home plate after hitting a home run during the Buckaroos' 7-0 win over La Grande on Tuesday in La Grande.

RBI single to right field that Pendleton's eight total hits scored Shaw Jerome in the bottom of the second inning. Jerome had safely reached on a single up the middle — the pair accounted for two of

on the day.

In the third, the Lava Bears (4-3) answered to knot the game at one run apiece. Reese Gordon hit a ground

v-clinched division

Wednesday's Games

Thursday's Games

Orlando 105, Dallas 100 Philadelphia 115, Detroit 108 Miami 115, Atlanta 86

Golden State at Indiana, 4 p.m Brooklyn at Milwaukee, 5 p.m.

Portland at Houston, 5 p.m.
Washington at Cleveland, 5 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Utah, 6 p.m.

Minnesota at Denver, 7:30 p.m.

New Orleans 123, Memphis 95 Toronto 96, Boston 78 L.A. Lakers 122, San Antonio 112, OT

ball to shortstop, and reached first on an error, which gave Kyle Reed — who also hit a grounder and reached base on an error — enough time to score. It was the Buckaroos' only two errors of the game.

Pendleton had chances in both the bottom of the third and the fourth inning but left four runners stranded, two of which were in scoring position.

The winning run for Bend came off the bat of Tysen Scott, who hit an RBI single to right field but not before Gordon got in on the action one more time. A sacrifice fly to center field scored Austin Jones, which put the Lava Bears up for good.

Chris Large pitched well for Pendleton, striking out three and allowing only three hits and three runs in  $4 \frac{2}{3}$ innings. Ryan Stahl pitched 2 1/3 innings of scoreless ball in relief.

Bend's Caden Mathison was rewarded the win after toeing the rubber for the entire game, and having surrendered a lone run and striking out nine.

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### **TENNIS**

THE DALLES — The Hermiston girls tennis team was perfect on the road Wednesday. The Bulldogs swept The Dalles Riverhawks, 8-0, and gave up at most four set points.

In singles, Mackenzie Hill handily defeated Yahaira Alvarez 6-0, 6-2. Lindsay McAllister and Adriann Stewart both defeated their respective opponents, and let their Riverhawk counterparts each win only three sets each. Olivia Thomas battled

Arlette Santillian to round out the first half of play with a 6-4, 6-4 victory. doubles, Reed

Middleton Breena Wadekamper defeated Lupita Contreras and Natalie Varland 6-2, 6-3. Bulldog duo Breckyn Mecham and Alvssa Perkins took their match 6-2, 6-2 over Mireya Huila and Lizbet Leo.

Emery Snyder and Katie Bradshaw, along with Ashlyn Hofbauer and Violet Mitchell worked to keep Hermiston spotless on the day.

Singles Results Mackenzie Hill (H) def. Yahaira Alvarez 6-0, 6-2

Lindsay McAllister (H) def. Dalia Mondrag

on 6-1, 6-2 Adriann Stewart (H) def. Michaela Haight 6-2, 6-1 Olivia Thomas (H) def. Arlette Santillian 6-4, 6-4 **Doubles Results** 

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R. Middleton/B. Wadekamper (H) def. L.

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B. Mecham/A. Perkins (H) def. M. Huila/L. Leo 6-2, 6-2
E. Snyder/K. Bradshaw (H) def. K. Najera/K. Warren 6-3, 6-2
A. Hofbauer/V. Mitchell (H) def. P. Guzman/S. Eziquio 6-3, 6-1

## **SCOREBOARD**

### Local slate

### PREP BASEBALL

Friday
Burns at Stanfield (DH), 1 p.m.
Umatilla at Irrigon (DH), 1 p.m.
Heritage (WA) at Hermiston (DH), 2 p.m. Riverside at Nyssa (DH), 2 p.m. William at Nyssa (S. 1), 2 p.m. Saturday Union at Weston-McEwen (DH), 11 a.m. Mac-Hi at Baker (DH), 12 p.m. Pilot Rock at Elgin (DH), 1 p.m.

### PREP SOFTBALL

**Thursday** Umatilla at Echo, 4 p.m. Riverside at Pilot Rock, 4:30 p.m. Sherwood at Hermiston, 4 p.m. Irrigon at Hood River JV, 4 p.m.

Saturday
Heppner at Grant Union (DH), 11 a.m.
Enterprise at Echo (DH), 11 a.m.
Mac-Hi at Baker (DH), 12 p.m.
Hermiston at Central Catholic (DH), 12:30

### PREPTRACK & FIELD

Riverside, Umatilla, Stanfield, Heppner Pilot Rock, Arlington at Riverside Relays, Saturday

Saturday
Hermiston at Davis (WA) Invitational,
10 a.m.
Pendleton, Mac-Hi, Umatilla, Riverside,
Weston-McEwen, Pilot Rock, Helix at MacHi Carnival of Speed, 11 a.m.

Friday
Pendleton (girls) at Juniper Golf Course, Hermiston at Eagle Crest Resort, 8:30

PREP GOLF

### **PREPTENNIS Thursday**Weston-McEwen at Stanfield, 3:30 p.m.

Helix at Ione, 4 p.m. Friday
Pendleton at Rex Putnam, 3 p.m.
Mac-Hi at Riverside, 3:30 p.m.
Condon/Wheeler, Stanfield at Umatilla,

Sherman at Ione, 4 p.m. Saturday Riverside at Helix, 12 p.m.

### COLLEGE BASEBALL

Saturday BMCC at Walla Walla CC (DH), 1 p.m.

### COLLEGE SOFTBALL

EOU at Northwest (DH), 10 a.m. Columbia Basin at BMCC (DH), 12 p.m.

### **Basketball**

### NBA EASTERN CONFERENCE

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x-Boston	53	25 .679	3					
x-Philadelphia	48	30 .615	8					
New York	27	51 .346	29					
Brooklyn	25	53 .321	31					
Southeast Divis	ion							
	w	L Pct	GB					
x-Miami	43	36 .544	_					
x-Washington	42	36 .538	1/2					
Charlotte	34	45 .430	9					
Orlando	24	54 .308	181/2					
Atlanta	22	57 .278	21					
Central Division								
	w	L Pct	GB					
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x-Indiana	46	32 .590	2					
x-Milwaukee	42	36 .538	6					
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**Friday** EOU at Northwest (DH), 11 a.m.

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80 34 40 Vancouver 80 30 40 10 70 212258 Arizona 80 29 40 11 69 205249 NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Wednesday's Games Thursday's Games Pittsburgh at Columbus, 4 p.m. Nashville at Washington, 4 p.m. Carolina at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
Toronto at New Jersey, 4 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at N.Y. Islanders, 4 p.m.
Montreal at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.

# Baseball

AMERICAN LE	MLB AGUE		
	W	L Pct	GB
Boston	5	1 .833	_
New York	4	2 .667	1
Toronto	4	3 .571	11/2
Baltimore	1	5 .167	4
Tampa Bay	1	5 .167	4
Central Division	n		
	W	L Pct	GB
Chicago	3	2 .600	_
Minnesota	3	2 .600	_
Cleveland	2	4 .333	1 1/2
Kansas City	1	3 .250	1 1/2
Detroit	1	4 .200	2
West Division			
	W	L Pct	GB
Houston	6	1 .857	_
Los Angeles	5	2 .714	1
Seattle	3	2 .600	2
Oakland	3	4 .429	3

Kansas City at Detroit, ppd. N.Y. Yankees 7, Tampa Bay 2 Chicago White Sox 4, Toronto 3 San Francisco 10, Seattle 1 Oakland 6. Texas 2 Thursday's Games

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Montreal at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.
Boston at Florida, 4:30 p.m.
Calgary at Winnipeg, 5 p.m.
Vegas at Edmonton, 6 p.m.
Arizona at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m. Colorado at San Jose, 7:30 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE						
	W	L Pct	GB			
Boston	5	1 .833	_			
New York	4	2 .667	1			
Toronto	4	3 .571	11/2			
Baltimore	1	5 .167	4			
Tampa Bay	1	5 .167	4			
<b>Central Division</b>						
	w	L Pct	GB			
Chicago	3	2 .600	_			
Minnesota	3	2 .600	_			
Cleveland	2	4 .333	11/2			
Kansas City	1	3 .250	11/2			
Detroit	1	4 .200	2			
West Division						
	W	L Pct	GB			
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Los Angeles	5	2 .714	1			
Seattle	3	2 .600	2			
Oakland	3	4 .429	3			
Texas	2	5 .286	4			
Wednesday's Ga	mes					

Houston 3, Baltimore 2 L.A. Angels 3, Cleveland 2, 13 innings Minnesota 7, Pittsburgh 3

### Tampa Bay (Chirinos 0-0) at Boston (Price 1-0), 11:05 a.m. Texas (Perez 0-0) at Oakland (Mengden 0-1), 12:35 p.m. Detroit (Zimmermann 0-0) at Chicago

White Sox (Shields 1-0), 1:10 p.m. Seattle (Paxton 0-1) at Minnesota (Gibson 1-0), 1:10 p.m. Baltimore (Cashner 0-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 1-0), 3:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	w	L Pct	GB	
New York	4	1 .800	_	
Atlanta	4	2 .667	1/2	
Washington	4	2 .667	1/2	
Miami	2	4 .333	21/2	
Philadelphia	1	4 .200	3	
Central Division				
	w	L Pct	GB	
Pittsburgh	4	1 .800	_	
Milwaukee	4	2 .667	1/2	
St. Louis	3	3 .500	11/2	
Chicago	2	3 .400	2	
Cincinnati	1	3 .250	21/2	
West Division				
	W	L Pct	GB	
Arizona	5	1 .833	_	
Colorado	3	3 .500	2	
San Francisco	3	3 500	2	

### 5 .286 3½ 5 .167 4 Los Angeles San Diego Wednesday's Games Atlanta 7, Washington 1 N.Y. Mets 4, Philadelphia 2 Arizona 3, L.A. Dodgers 0 Minnesota 7, Pittsburgh 3 San Francisco 10, Seattle St. Louis 6, Milwaukee 0

St. Louis 9, Minwaluke 0 Colorado 5, San Diego 2 **Thursday's Games** N.Y. Mets (deGrom 1-0) at Washington (Strasburg 1-0), 10:05 a.m. Miami (Smith 0-0) at Philadelphia (Pivetta 0-0), 12:05 p.m.

Colorado (Anderson 0-0) at San Diego (Lucchesi 0-0), 12:40 p.m Cincinnati (Bailey 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Brault 1-0), 4:05 p.m. Arizona (Ray 1-0) at St. Louis (Wainwright 0-0), 4:15 p.m. Chicago Cubs (Lester 0-0) at Milwaukee (Suter 1-0), 5:10 p.m.

# Soccer

MLS

### **T Pts GF GA**1 13 10 4 1 10 9 5 NYC FC 13 10 10 9 0 9 7 6 6 10 6 5 4 2 4 6 3 3 2 5 1 6 Atlanta United FC3 New England 2 New York 2 Montreal Philadelphia Orlando City Toronto FC D.C. United WESTERN CONFERENCE Pts GF GA 10 10 9 10 7 7 7 7 6 0 6 9 W Sporting K.C. 3 Vancouver LA Galaxy Los Angeles FC 2 Minnesota United2 FC Dallas 1 0 Colorado 1 1 6 5 6 7 4 6 4 0 Houston Real Salt Lake 1 San Jose Portland 0 2 2 2 4 9 Seattle 0 3 0 0 0 5 NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Friday Montreal at New England, 4:30 p.m. Saturday Houston at New York, Noon Los Angeles FC at Atlanta United FC 2 p.m. San Jose at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.

D.C. United at Toronto FC, 4:30 p.m. Colorado at FC Dallas, 5 p.m. Columbus at Chicago, 5:30 p.m. Vancouver at Real Salt Lake, 6:30 p.m. Sunday
Portland at Orlando City, 1 p.m.
Sporting Kansas City at LA Galaxy, 6 p.m.

# Golf

### PGA TOUR THE MASTERS Augusta National Golf Club

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