ROUNDUP: Rockets earn 10th-straight win

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SHERMAN 3, WESTON-MCEWEN 1 — At Moro, the Weston-McEwen TigerScots and Sherman Huskies played a pitchers duel on Tuesday, with the home Huskies getting just enough for a 3-1 victory.

Brett Troutman pitched seven innings of five-hit, one-run baseball for the Huskies (4-2 overall), striking out three and walking only one. In the other dugout, Weston-McEwen's Travis Hendley pitched six strong innings and allowed four hits, three runs — all unearned — with four walks and one strikeout.

Sherman scored two runs in the first inning on a two-run single by Trey Homer and added one more in the fifth thanks to a TigerScot error. The TigerScots (2-8, 0-1) scored their lone run in the fifth when Tanner Sater scored from third on a Sherman error.

				R	H	E
W-M	000 010	0	—	1	5	4
SHS	200 010	X	—	3	4	2

W — B. Troutman, L — T. Hendley.

SOFTBALL

PILOT ROCK 2, GRANT UNION 1 — At John Day, the Pilot Rock Rockets notched their 10th straight victory with a 2-1 win over Grant Union on Tuesday.

Ayana Aguilar pitched a gem for the Rockets (10-1), pitching a complete game while allowing only three hits and one run and two walks while tallying 11 strikeouts.

Sara Weinke had Pilot Rock's only extra-base hit with a double, and she also scored what proved to be the game-winning run scoring from third on a wild pitch in the third inning. The Rockets' other run came on a sacrifice fly by Grace Austin that brought home Rhyanne Oates.

"It was a good game all around," Pilot Rock coach Darin Fitzpatrick said.

				R	H	E
PR	002000	0	—	2	4	1
GU	001000	0	—	1	3	1

(P) A. Aguilar and R. Oates. (G) C. Madden, M. Moulton (5) and Zweygardt. W — Aguilar, L — Madden.
2B — S. Weinke (PR).

WESTON-MCEWEN 28, UMATILLA 7 — At Umatilla, the Weston-McEwen TigerScots picked up their first league victory of the season by a 28-7 score over the Umatilla Vikings on Tuesday.

The TigerScots (2-4, 1-0 Special District 1) trailed 4-2 after one inning and then led 7-5 after two innings, but they blew the game open in the third with a whopping 15-run output. In the inning, the TigerScots tallied 10 hits and drew six walks.

Leading the TigerScots' offense was Amie Coffman going 4-for-5 with a double and a triple, five runs scored and two RBI, and Skyler Uptain who went 4-for-5 with two doubles, five RBI and four runs scored. Also, Jordyn Lambert and Skyler Walter each had three hits, with Lambert smacking a triple and Walter a double. Lilyan Duckett pitched two strong innings in relief with four strikeouts.

Charlene Alvarez led the Vikings' (0-6, 0-1) offense with two hits and three runs scored.

				R	H	E
W-M	25(15) 42		—	28	18	3
UHS	411 01		—	7	5	2

(W) J. Lambert, L. Duckett (4). (U) K. Holz. W — Duckett, L — Holz.
2B — A. Coffman, S. Uptain 2, S. Walter, T. Hearn (W-M); C. Alvarez 2, G. Rodarte (UHS).
3B — A. Coffman, J. Lambert (W-M).

GOLF

LA GRANDE INVITATIONAL — The Heppner Mustangs, Hermiston Bulldogs and Pendleton Buckaroos girls golf teams traveled to La Grande on Tuesday and all three had solid days.

The Mustangs won the team title by a wide margin, scoring a 368, while Pendleton was second with 418, Hermiston third with 424 and La Grande fourth with 429. Four of the five Mustangs varsity players carded scores below 100, led by Sasha Keown with an 84, Sophie Grant's 90, Nicole Propheter's 95 and Madison Combe's 99.

For Pendleton, Megan George scored a 90, Makenzie McLeod a 99 and Rylee Harris an even 100. Mykah Krumwiede carried the Bulldogs with a 99, while Sonja Peterson shot a 102 and Leslie Browning a 107.

TENNIS

MAC-HI 5, HELIX 1 — At Milton-Freewater, the Mac-Hi Pioneers earned a win over the Helix Grizzlies on Tuesday as the girls team went 3-1 and the Pioneer boys were a perfect 2-0.

Helix's lone win on the day came at No. 1 girls singles, where Makenzie Dunn took down Mac-Hi's Aspen Potter in a pro set 8-3. In boys singles, Helix's Cody Dunn played a tough set against Mac-Hi's No. 1 player Deazen Zerba as Zerba won 6-3, 7-6 after a 7-4 tiebreak win.

Girls Singles
Makenzie Dunn (H) def. Aspen Potter, 8-3
Leslie Diaz (M) def. Noelle Texider, 8-1
Banyan Moss (M) def. Shaylee Roberts 8-0
Girls Doubles
Uribe/Harris (M) def. Dunn/Roberts, 8-1
Boys Singles
Deazen Zerba (M) def. Cody Dunn, 6-3, 7-6 (7-4)
Bryan Abrego (M) def. Bryce Fairchild, 8-6

HOOD RIVER 6, HERMISTON 2 — The Hermiston boys tennis team began its busy week hosting Hood River Valley. It's the first of four duals the Bulldogs will play at home, and unfortunately it was not the start they were hoping for — at least on paper.

Despite the 6-2 to a stacked Eagles squad, head coach Shann West was proud of the ways the team battled.

"I'm very happy with the way we played," he said. "It was our best outing as a team."

The two wins came from the No. 1 doubles pair in Patrick Wicks and Thomas McCullough and No. 3 doubles pair, Trent Pitney and Josue Cadenas.

Wicks and McCullough handily defeated Adam Harter and Ben Fick of Hood River, 6-1, 6-3. Pitney and Cadenas were up against Reece Carroll and Stefan Salmer and won 7-6 after a 14-12 tiebreak and then took the second set 6-4.

Boys Singles
Vaughn Reardon (HRV) def. Hayden Cissina (HHS), 6-0, 6-0
Sawyer Bogard (HRV) def. Jason Morris (HHS) 6-0, 6-1
Carson Schutt (HRV) def. Jaiden Ruloph (HHS) 6-3, 6-1 (10-4)
Jacob Karlan (HRV) def. Isaac (HHS) 6-0, 6-1
Boys Doubles
Wicks/McCullough (HHS) def. Harter/Fick (HRV), 6-1, 6-3
Harter/Perez (HRV) def. Eckhard/Garcia (HHS), 6-1, 7-5
Pitney/Cadenas (HHS) def. Carroll/Salmer, 6-6 (14-12), 4-6, 10-7
Fiedler/Humann (HRV) def. Spencer/Salvador, 2-6, 6-4, 10-5

BUCKS: Regular cleanup hitter and first baseman Brehaut sat out with concussion

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Solomon's home run was an impressive one, turning a pretty good outside pitch from Mac-Hi pitcher McKenna Stallings into a towering hit over the right field fence. It was her fifth home run of the season, and one that netted the Buckaroos (10-1 overall) a 11-2 lead at the time.

"I really like the outside pitch," Solomon said of her homer. "I've worked really hard on the outside and to see that one pitch there that was thigh-high outside, I knew it was mine so I took it for a ride."

Pendleton's offense as a whole put together 11 hits, was hit by a pitch three times and drew one walk. Aside from Solomon's perfect day, Aspen Garton also had a 3-for-3 performance with three singles, three runs scored and an RBI.

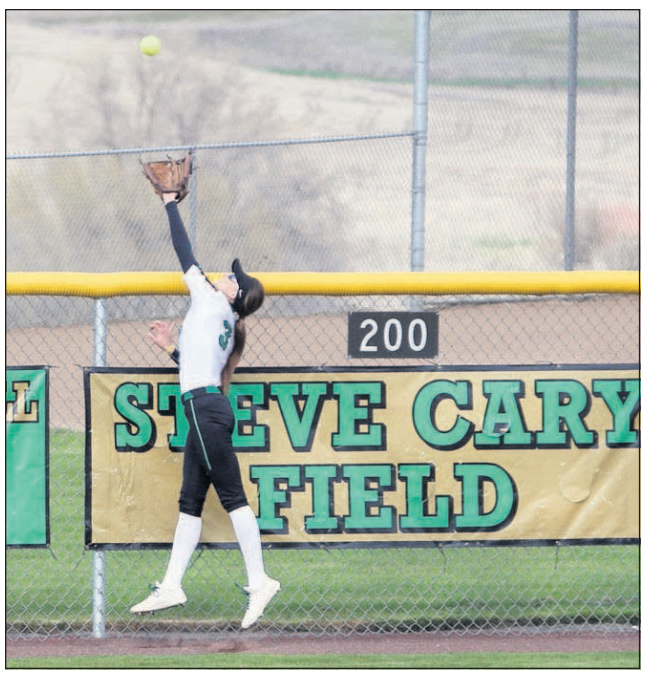
The offensive group did get off to a bit of a slow start, though, as Mac-Hi (10-3) pitcher Sydney Earls kept the Bucks off-balance through the first two innings, allowing only three hits and one run with two strikeouts in that span.

"It was a slower start than we've had in the past couple of games, but there were some positives to it," Cary said. "It was probably good for us to be down because we're used to being up 5-0 or 6-0 after one or two innings and then we kind of take our foot off the pedal, and this made us stay focused and we had to stay sharp and had to work hard for everything we had today."

The Pioneers gave the Bucks a shock in the third inning when Rachael Lyon led off with a single to shallow center field. Two batters later, Graci Bullock crushed a 1-0 pitch from Lauren Richards that carried just over the center-field fence for a two-run home run and a 2-1 Pioneers' lead.

Staff photos by Kathy Aney

Pendleton's Sami Spriet focuses on catching the ball as Faith Kelly, of Mac-Hi, races to first base during Tuesday's game at Steve Cary Field. Kelly was out.



Pendleton's Elli Nirschl leaps for the ball as it soars over the fence for home run during Tuesday's game against the Mac-Hi Pioneers at Steve Cary Field.

"Lauren's not used to giving up the home run and when she did, all the sudden we're down quickly and the reality hit that 'Oh, we're going to have to play our best game every day,'" Cary said. "(Mac-Hi) is a really good team and we knew that coming in, and they made us work for the win and that's good."

The Buckaroos clinched the five-inning victory in the bottom of the fifth, when Kirah McGlothan hit a double to right field that scored Chelsea Farrow after a throwing error by the Pioneers.

Now, the Buckaroos and Pioneers will both turn their focus back to league play, which the Buckaroos start Friday at The Dalles and the Pioneers continue when they head to Ontario this weekend.

"I think what we're talking about is just keep on doing what we're doing well," Cary said. "We're hitting well, Lauren's been throwing well and our defense has been quite solid lately, and if we can just continue to do what we're doing and not drop off any, I think we'll be just fine."

NO BREHAUT

Pendleton's offensive barrage came without the help of regular cleanup hitter and first baseman Alexi Brehaut, who sat out the game with a concussion. Cary said Brehaut was hit in the head with a ball during practice last week and hasn't felt well since.

Sami Spriet started at first in her absence, where she went 1-for-2 with an RBI single and one run scored on offense.

"We need to have her back," Cary said. "She's a very tough out, a great bat for us, so it definitely takes a little something out of our arsenal at the plate, and she has to get healthy for us first and hopefully she can get healthy by Friday."

				R	H	E
M-H	002 00		—	2	3	3
PHS	016 41		—	12	11	1

(M) S. Earls, M. Stallings (3) and S. Birdwell. (P) L. Richards and K. Solomon. W — Richards, L — Earls.
2B — K. Solomon, K. McGlothan (PHS). HR — G. Bullock (M-H); K. Solomon (PHS).

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TIGERS: Win came despite the slow start

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Each team would continue to score at least one run over the course of the next two and a half innings, except in the seventh when the Tigers (9-4, 3-0) won the game.

After four runs in the bottom of the fifth and three more in the sixth, Stanfield knotted the score at 10-10 for the second tie of the game.

The Tigers got into trouble early their next time on defense. With runners on first and second bases and no outs, Brody Woods took the mound in relief of Justin Keeney — who had pitched two innings giving up one run off three hits. Woods quickly got out of the inning after striking out two and inducing a fly out to left field.

Stanfield had one last chance before the game went into extra innings, and the next two batters took it. Adrian Renner hit a leadoff triple deep to right field and Keeney recorded the walk-off RBI single that pushed the Tigers EOL-win streak to 36 straight games.

Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Irrigon's Mathew Moreno rounds second base in the Knights' 11-10 loss to Stanfield on Tuesday in Stanfield.

The win came despite the slow start, something Rogers said the team has been struggling with early in the season.

"I think it was the fourth or fifth inning, I said, 'Hey, what do you guys want?'"

That's when they started getting base hits, and it was just in time as the Knights had increased their lead to 9-3 highlighted with a 2-RBI triple from Lino Covarrubia.

Irrigon's Zach Henrichs already recorded an RBI single and both Damien Curiel and TJ Smith of Stanfield scored on a passed ball and wild pitch, respectively.

The Knights took back control in the top of the fourth starting with a bases loaded walk and ending again with an RBI single off the bat of Henrichs.

In the bottom of the fifth, a Curiel 2-RBI single and a 2-RBI ground out from Michael Connell cut Stanfield's deficit to two runs.

Nate Gumbert inched the Knights ahead with an RBI single in the next inning but Woods, Shayne Keltz and Makiah Blankenship all answered by bringing in runs to reach the 10-10 tie.

Renner had the best outing of any Tiger, going 4-for-4 at the plate with four runs to match. Woods finished 0-for-2 with two runs and an RBI, and after one solid inning of work toeing the rubber was handed the win. Keeney was 1-for-2 with his lone hit as the walk-off RBI, and Cruiel ended the day 1-for-1 with three runs and three RBIs.

For Irrigon, Covarrubia went 3-for-4 with four runs and three RBIs. Both Henrichs and Johnny Phillips finished 2-for-3 with a combined three RBIs with Phillips taking the loss at the mound after 2/3 inning of work. He gave up one run off two hits, struck out two and walked one.

				R	H	E
IHS	100441	0	—	10	10	1
SHS	021043	1	—	11	6	1

(I) Z. Henrichs, A. Roa (3), B. Harrington (5), J. Phillips (6). (S) T. Smith, A. Renner (4), J. Keeney (5), B. Woods (7). W — Woods, L — Phillips.
3B: L. Covarrubia 2 (I); A. Renner (S).

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SCOREBOARD

Local slate

PREP BASEBALL
Friday
Ontario at Mac-Hi (DH), Noon
Irrigon at Joseph (DH), 1 p.m.
Riverside at Vale (DH), 2 p.m.
Umatilla at Burns (DH), 2 p.m.

PREP SOFTBALL
Friday
Weston-McEwen at Grant Union (DH), Noon
Irrigon at Echo (DH), 1 p.m.
Riverside at Umatilla (DH), 1 p.m.
Pendleton at The Dalles (DH), 3 p.m.
Mac-Hi at Ontario (DH), 3 p.m.

PREP TRACK & FIELD
Friday
Pendleton, Hermiston, Weston-McEwen, Pilot Rock, Helix, Ione at Rivers Edge (Umatilla), Noon
Hermiston, Arlington at Oregon Relays (Eugene), TBD

PREP GOLF
Friday
Pendleton, Mac-Hi, Heppner (boys) at La Grande Country Club

PREP TENNIS
Thursday
Capital (ID) at Hermiston, Noon
Umatilla at Weston-McEwen, 3 p.m.
The Dalles at Pendleton (girls), 3:30 p.m.
Pendleton (boys) at The Dalles, 3:30 p.m.
Riverside at Ione, 4 p.m.
Friday
Weston-McEwen at Riverside, 3 p.m.

PREP LACROSSE
Friday
Selah at Hermiston, 7 p.m.

COLLEGE BASEBALL
Wednesday
Treasure Valley at BMCC (DH), 11:30 a.m.

COLLEGE SOFTBALL
Friday
BMCC at Yakima Valley (DH), 2 p.m.
British Columbia at EOU (DH), 2 p.m.

Basketball

NBA

EAST	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Toronto	59	22	.728	—
x-Boston	54	27	.667	5
x-Philadelphia	51	30	.630	8
y-Cleveland	50	31	.617	9
x-Indiana	48	34	.585	11½
x-Milwaukee	44	37	.543	15
x-Miami	43	38	.531	16
x-Washington	43	38	.531	16
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Detroit	38	43	.469	21
Charlotte	36	46	.439	23½
Brooklyn	28	53	.346	31
New York	28	53	.346	31
Chicago	27	54	.333	32
Orlando	24	57	.296	35
Atlanta	24	58	.293	35½
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
z-Houston	65	16	.802	—
y-Golden State	58	24	.707	7½
x-Utah	48	33	.593	17
x-Portland	48	33	.593	17
x-San Antonio	47	34	.580	18
x-Oklahoma City	47	34	.580	18
x-New Orleans	47	34	.580	18
Minnesota	46	35	.568	19
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Denver	46	35	.568	19
L.A. Clippers	42	39	.519	23
L.A. Lakers	34	47	.420	31
Sacramento	26	55	.321	39
Dallas	24	58	.293	41½
Memphis	22	59	.272	43
Phoenix	21	61	.256	44½

x-clinched playoff spot, y-clinched division
z-clinched conference

Tuesday's Games
Charlotte 119, Indiana 93
Philadelphia 121, Atlanta 113
Washington 113, Boston 101
Phoenix 124, Dallas 97
Utah 119, Golden State 79
Houston 105, L.A. Lakers 99
Wednesday's Games
Brooklyn at Boston, 5 p.m.
Denver at Minnesota, 5 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 5 p.m.
Memphis at Oklahoma City, 5 p.m.
Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
New York at Cleveland, 5 p.m.
San Antonio at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
Toronto at Miami, 5 p.m.
Washington at Orlando, 5 p.m.
Houston at Sacramento, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at L.A. Clippers, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Portland, 7:30 p.m.

Baseball

MLB
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Tuesday's Games
Tampa Bay 6, Chicago White Sox 5
Cleveland 2, Detroit 1
Toronto 2, Baltimore 1
Boston 14, N.Y. Yankees 1
L.A. Angels 11, Texas 1
Minnesota 4, Houston 1
Seattle 8, Kansas City 3
L.A. Dodgers 4, Oakland 0
Wednesday's Games
Houston (McCullers 1-1) at Minnesota (Gibson 1-0), 10:10 a.m.
Tampa Bay (Chirinos 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (Shields 1-0), 11:10 a.m.
Seattle (Paxton 0-1) at Kansas City (Duffy 0-2), 11:15 a.m.
Detroit (Zimmermann 0-0) at Cleveland (Carrasco 2-0), 3:10 p.m.
Toronto (Estrada 1-0) at Baltimore (Gausman 0-1), 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 1-1) at Boston (Price 1-0), 4:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Barria 0-0) at Texas (Moore 0-2), 5:05 p.m.
Oakland (Mengden 0-2) at L.A. Dodgers (Wood 0-1), 7:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Tuesday's Games
Pittsburgh 8, Chicago Cubs 5
Philadelphia 6, Cincinnati 1
Washington 4, Atlanta 1
N.Y. Mets 8, Miami 6
St. Louis 5, Milwaukee 3, 11 innings
San Diego 5, Colorado 2
L.A. Dodgers 4, Oakland 0
Arizona at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
Atlanta (McCarthy 2-0) at Washington (Cole 0-1), 10:05 a.m.
Milwaukee (Guerra 0-0) at St. Louis (Wainwright 0-1), 10:15 a.m.
San Diego (Perdomo 1-1) at Colorado (Marquez 0-1), 12:10 p.m.
Arizona (Ray 2-0) at San Francisco (Suarez 0-0), 12:45 p.m.
Cincinnati (Castillo 0-2) at Philadelphia (Pivetta 1-0), 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Wheeler 0-0) at Miami (Garcia 0-0), 4:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Brault 2-0) at Chicago Cubs (Lester 1-0), 5:05 p.m.
Oakland (Mengden 0-2) at L.A. Dodgers (Wood 0-1), 7:10 p.m.

Hockey

NHL PLAYOFF GLANCE
FIRST ROUND
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Tampa Bay vs. New Jersey
Thursday: New Jersey at Tampa Bay, 4 p.m.
Saturday: New Jersey at Tampa Bay, 12 p.m.
April 16: Tampa Bay at New Jersey, 4:30 p.m.
April 18: Tampa Bay at New Jersey, 4:30 p.m.
Boston vs. Toronto
Thursday: Toronto at Boston, 4 p.m.
Saturday: Toronto at Boston, 5 p.m.
April 16: Boston at Toronto, 4 p.m.
April 19: Boston at Toronto, 4 p.m.
Washington vs. Columbus
Thursday: Columbus at Washington, 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: Columbus at Washington, 4:30 p.m.
April 17: Washington at Columbus, 4:30 p.m.
April 19: Washington at Columbus, 4:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh vs. Philadelphia
Wednesday: Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 4 p.m.
Friday: Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 4 p.m.
April 15: Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 12 p.m.
April 18: Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Nashville vs. Colorado
Thursday: Colorado at Nashville, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday: Colorado at Nashville, 12 p.m.
April 16: Nashville at Colorado, 7 p.m.
April 18: Nashville at Colorado, 7 p.m.
Winnipeg vs. Minnesota
Wednesday: Minnesota at Winnipeg, 4 p.m.
Friday: Minnesota at Winnipeg, 4:30 p.m.
April 15: Winnipeg at Minnesota, 4 p.m.
April 17: Winnipeg at Minnesota, 5 p.m.
Vegas vs. Los Angeles
Wednesday: Los Angeles at Vegas, 7 p.m.
Friday: Los Angeles at Vegas, 7 p.m.
April 15: Vegas at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.
April 17: Vegas at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.
Anaheim vs. San Jose
Thursday: San Jose at Anaheim, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday: San Jose at Anaheim, 7:30 p.m.
April 16: Anaheim at San Jose, 7:30 p.m.
April 18: Anaheim at San Jose, 7:30 p.m.

Soccer

MLS
Wednesday's Game
Real Salt Lake at New York City FC, 4 p.m.
Friday's Games
Orlando City at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
Los Angeles FC at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Montreal at New York, 10 a.m.
Toronto FC at Colorado, 12 p.m.
LA Galaxy at Chicago, 12:30 p.m.
Columbus at D.C. United, 4 p.m.
FC Dallas at New England, 4:30 p.m.
Houston at San Jose, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota United at Portland, 7:30 p.m.