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## Chiawana shuts down Hermiston attack



Hermiston's Scout Reagan spikes the ball into the block from Chiawana's Yaleni Garcia (9) and McKenna Kaelber in the Bulldogs' 3-0 loss to the Riverhawks on Tuesday in Hermiston.

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East Oregonian

Chiawana had just one serve receive error Tuesday night. That and a few other things spelled doom for Hermiston in its Mid-Columbia Conference home match with the Riverhawks.

McKenna Kaelber handed out 26 assists and Mareesa Hill had seven kills as the Riverhawks cruised to a 25-16, 25-6, 25-6 victory over the Bulldogs (2-6).

### PREP VOLLEYBALL



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"We never showed up," Hermiston coach Amy Dyck said. "I don't know what the distraction was. We can have the greatest warm-up in the world, and as soon as the whistle blows we don't have it. One day it will click and they will believe in themselves. They have the talent and the heart."

Kylie Thorn, who had six kills and three aces, reeled off eight consecutive points in the first set as Chiawana jumped out to a 12-2 lead.

Hermiston's Haylee Hamilton put three points on the board to pull her team within 15-7, and Kendall Dowdy added three more points to make it 17-10. The teams traded points to the end.



Hermiston's Halee Stubbs dives for the ball in the Bulldogs' 3-0 loss to Chiawana on Tuesday in Hermiston.

Kaelber and Hill combined for 10 points as the Riverhawks went out front 11-1 in the second set. The Bulldogs would not get closer than 10 points.

The third set was more of the same. Marissa Logozzo served seven consecutive points for a 7-1 lead, then Thorne reeled off eight more for a 17-1 lead.

With Chiawana leading 19-5, the Bulldogs committed four unforced errors as the Riverhawks put the match away.

"Against a team this good, we can't send over a bunch of free balls," Dyck said. "They take a free ball and say, 'Thank you very much.'"

Dowdy led the Bulldogs with 11 digs and 10 assists, while Courtnee West had 18 assists, Scout Reagan three kills and six digs, Avery Treadwell four kills, and Daisy Maddox three kills.

The win was No. 501 for Chiawana coach Jim Steach, whose team is 7-0 in the MCC.

"We have six seniors who have been around awhile," he said. "They know the game really well. Defensively, our movement was much better. It's these kind of things we are working on getting better at."

Yaleni Garcia added five kills, and Logozzo 13 digs for the Riverhawks.

## HERMISTON



Staff photo by Brett Kane  
Ryan Rodabaugh, 16, poses with a trophy awarded for winning the Hornets division heat race.

## Raceway's season crosses the finish line

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The Hermiston Raceway lit up the track for its "Fall Brawl" race to close the 2018 season on Saturday night.

The event served as the finale for 14 races held since April, and was the track's biggest turnout yet. More than 70 cars competed across six divisions — Hornets, Bombers, Mini Stocks, Super Mini Stocks, Street Stocks and Late Models, based on car specifications and driver age and experience.

Motorists from across the region filled Saturday's lineup, representing cities such as Yakima, Monroe, Wash., Portland, Bend, and Moses Lake. The Northwest Pro Four Alliance, a division that travels throughout the Northwest and races "exotic" cars with four-cylinder 320 horsepower engines, also took to the race tracks to celebrate the raceway's season.

The drivers competed for a trophy and prize money collected from ticket sales and pit passes. On Saturday night, more than \$10,000 was awarded to drivers throughout the six divisions — more than twice the usual pool.

"This year met our expectations in terms of the number of cars and people in the crowd, and the shows we've provided to the public," said promoter Greg Walden. "Next year, we'd like to see the facility improve. We'd like to add a scoreboard. I'm here to make it exciting for the fans and competitors."

This year was Walden's first as promoter for the Hermiston Raceway. Walden began driving at the Tri-City course when he was 16. His father Wayne and mother Karolyn ran the business from 1982-1998. After the tracks in the Tri-Cities and Yakima closed down, he came to Hermiston to give the sport more attention in the area.

"For Hermiston, this year was phenomenal," he said.

Neena Kik, a driver in the Legends category, was this season's champion, closing out the year with a total of 1,016 points accumulated over the 14 races. The second-place winner, Jose Zamudio, racked up 944 points.

For Kik, racing runs in the family — she was introduced to the sport through her father Bill, and has been driving competitively for seven years. Bill won the night's Legends heat race.

"I pushed my car as hard as I could," she said as she lined her car up to hit the course. "The adrenaline is very therapeutic. I love racing. I have every intention to come back next year."

## Rockies top Cubs in epic wild-card game

CHICAGO (AP) — Tony Wolters hit a tiebreaking single with two outs in the 13th inning, and the Colorado Rockies beat the Chicago Cubs 2-1 on Tuesday night in an epic NL wild-card game.

Wolters, a reserve catcher who entered as part of a double switch in the bottom of the 12th, came

up with runners at the corners and drove in Trevor Story with a liner back up the middle off Kyle Hendricks, quieting the Wrigley Field crowd of 40,151 on a crisp fall night.

Colorado heads to Milwaukee to open a best-of-five Division Series against the NL Central champion Brewers on Thursday.

Scott Oberg, the sixth Colorado pitcher, fanned Kris Bryant for the final out of the 12th and then struck out the side in the 13th to end the longest postseason game in Wrigley Field history. Terrance Gore tried to sell that he was hit by a pitch, but was sent back to the plate after a review confirmed the initial call.

### NL WILD CARD



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Cubs  
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### Sports shorts

#### A's to start reliever Hendriks in wild-card

NEW YORK (AP) — Fittingly, Liam Hendriks wore his cap backward. A reliever is going to start a team's postseason opener.

A pitcher with no wins in the regular season. A pitcher cut from the 40-man roster in June who spent two months toiling in the minor leagues.

"Instead of the starter going six and handing it over to the bullpen or going five and handing it over to the bullpen, now we're just reversing it," Oakland's Australian right-hander said Tuesday.

#### NFL suspends Seahawks LB Kendricks

RENTON, Wash. (AP) — The NFL has suspended Seattle Seahawks linebacker Mychal Kendricks indefinitely after he pleaded guilty last month to federal insider trading charges.

League spokesman Brian McCarthy confirmed the suspension under the personal conduct policy on Tuesday. Kendricks' suspension had been anticipated since his guilty plea in early September. It was just a matter of when the league would decide to act.

Seattle signed Kendricks prior to Week 2 because of a need at linebacker with K.J. Wright out following knee surgery. Kendricks has started two of the three games he's played with Seattle and had sacks in each of the past two games.

Federal prosecutors said Kendricks used tips from an acquaintance to make about \$1.2 million in illegal profits on four major trading deals.

Kendricks is not expected to be sentenced until January.



#### THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1951 — Bobby Thomson hits a three-run homer off Ralph Branca of the Brooklyn Dodgers with one out in the bottom of the ninth to give the New York Giants a 5-4 playoff victory and the NL pennant.

1971 — Billie Jean King become the first female tennis player to win \$100,000 in one year.

1974 — Frank Robinson signs a \$175,000-a-year player-manager contract with the Cleveland Indians, making him the first black manager in major league history.

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