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Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Hermiston quarterback Andrew James tries to ward off Eisenhower's Roberto DeLaFuente while rushing the ball in the Bulldogs' 61-42 win against the Cadets on Friday in Hermiston.

Prep roundup

Echo wins fifth straight game

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It looks like there's no stopping the Echo Cougars.

The team (5-1) took home their fifth consecutive win after traveling to Mitchell and shutting them out 58-0.

Mason Smith led the Cougars, rushing for 100 yards and three touchdowns. Michael Pointer rushed for 175 yards and two touchdowns, including a 93-yard carry into the end zone with 1:24 left in the fourth quarter. Scotty Harper and Cam Scott each scored a defensive touchdown.

"We outmatched them," said coach Rick Thew. "We were hoping for a little more competition to get ready for next week. We're feeling confident — it was a good night."

Echo will play their penultimate league game against South Wasco County (6-1) next Friday.

HEPPNER 55, WESTON-MCEWEN 8 — Heppner's home win came in a big way against Weston-McEwen on Friday night.

Jayden Wilson led the team, rushing for 132 yards and two touchdowns, and passing for 133 yards and two more touchdowns. Blake Wolters ran for 113 yards and two touchdowns.

"I was pleased. Our goal was to be more physical and play harder," said Mustangs coach Greg Grant. "It took the first quarter for us to warm up, but I'm real proud of our efforts."

Dylan Cain put in the Tiger-Scots' lone score, and Andrew Gambill received Blane Peal's pass for a 2-point conversion.

Heppner (5-2, 2-0) will stay at home next week when they host Grant Union (3-3, 1-0) next Friday.

VALE 48, IRRIGON 14 — Irrigon took home a road loss against Vale on Friday night.

Knights running back Payton Smith caught an interception and ran the ball back 50 yards for a touchdown, and running back Lino Covarrubia scored on a 7-yard rush.

"We played tough. They fought real hard," said Irrigon coach Ken Thompson. "I feel like we're

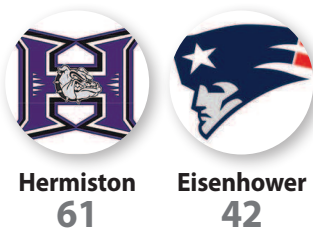
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Dawgs pile up the points

Noland has a career day in Hermiston's win over Ike

By ANNIE FOWLER
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PREP FOOTBALL



Was that good enough? That was the question Hermiston coach David Faaeteete asked his team Friday night after beating Eisenhower 61-42 in a nonleague tilt at Ken-nison Field.

"The defense was disappointing," said Faaeteete, whose team gave up more points than it had all year.

"We took a step back. We have to get better. We weren't making tackles and the D-Line was getting blown off the ball."

Hermiston's offense was in fine working order Friday night. Wyatt Noland ran for a career high 303 yards and four touchdowns.

"He was a workhorse," Faaeteete said.

Noland picked up a big chunk of his yards on touchdown runs of 58 and 65 yards in the second half.

Hermiston led 14-7 after the first quarter, then pulled away in the second, needing less than

2 minutes on each of its scoring drives.

The Bulldogs took a 41-21 lead into halftime, scoring on six of their eight possessions.

The highlight of the first half for the Bulldogs was a 90-yard kickoff return for a touchdown by Jordan Ramirez in the second quarter.

"I was dead after that," Ramirez said. "I couldn't feel my legs. I saw a hole open up and I ran through it. I looked back and there was nothing (penalty flags). It was beautiful."

Noland ran for first-half touchdowns of 34 and 3 yards, while Andrew James had scoring runs of 19 and 34 yards. James finished with 117 yards on the ground.

Youbani Razon also caught a



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Hermiston's Colton Duquette (57) collides with Eisenhower running back Damian Pacheco in the Bulldogs' 61-42 win against the Cadets on Friday in Hermiston.

20-yard scoring pass from James.

Eisenhower tried to climb back in the game late, and had the ball inside the Hermiston 10-yard line in the final seconds, but could not convert on fourth down.

The Cadets got 173 yards and two touchdowns from Damian Pacheco, while Drew Reyes

caught touchdown passes of 37 and 22 yards from Drew Kornegay. Kornegay threw for 336 yards and three touchdowns.

Hermiston (5-2 overall, 4-2 MCC) will return to Mid-Columbia Conference play next week, taking on Hanford at Fran Rish Stadium.

Reliever's homer stuns Kershaw, Dodgers

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MILWAUKEE — The high-five at the plate from Brandon Woodruff nearly took out Lorenzo Cain.

It's not often that reliever hits a home run.

Batting left-handed. Off lefty Clayton Kershaw. In the playoffs.

Woodruff stunned the ace with an early home run and Milwaukee's normally shutdown bullpen held on — barely — as the Brewers

beat the sloppy Los Angeles Dodgers 6-5 Friday night in Game 1 of the NL Championship Series.

Hard-throwing Josh Hader and the Brewers earned their 12th straight win, one shy of the franchise record set to open the 1987 season.

Woodruff, of all people, had the momentum-swinging hit.

"It's something obviously coming into the day, you don't know in your wildest dreams that's going to hap-

pen," he said.

It was the first time in postseason history that a pitcher homered in a lefty vs. lefty matchup. Woodruff was understandably pumped as he rounded the bases.

"He was fired up when he came home. He nearly broke my arm," Cain said.

The Dodgers scored three times in the eighth to make it 6-4, then nearly tied it in the ninth. Chris Taylor hit an RBI triple off Cain's glove in deep center field

NLCS



Brewers 6
Dodgers 5

Brewers lead series 1-0

with two outs before Corey Knebel fanned Justin Turner to end the game.

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AP Photo/Matt Slocum

Milwaukee Brewers' Brandon Woodruff reacts after hitting a home run in the third inning of Game 1 Friday.

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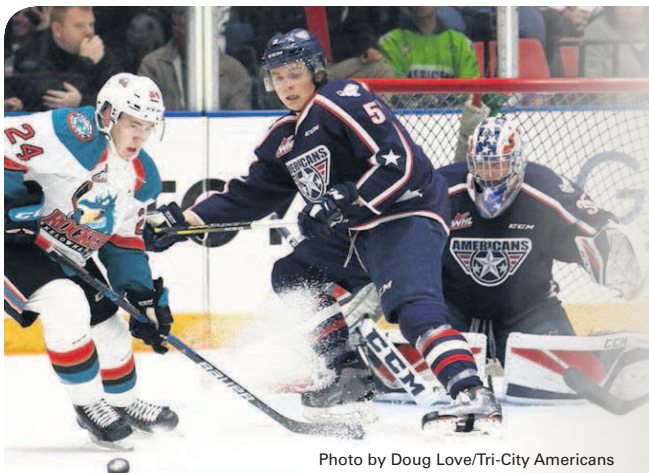


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Kelowna slips past Tri-City Americans 3-2

The last time the Tri-City Americans and Kelowna Rockets met, the Americans swept them in the first round of the playoffs last year.

The Rockets returned the favor Friday night, taking a 3-2 game from the Americans at Toyota Center. It was just the second win of the season for Kelowna (2-8-0-0).

Trailing 2-0, the Americans (3-3-0-0) cut the deficit in half with a goal by Isaac Johnson at 19:32 of the first period.

The Rockets would stretch their lead to 3-1 with a goal by Kyle Topping early in the third period.

Blake Stevenson responded for the Americans at 9:35 of the third, but they would get no closer.

Dallon Wilton and Libor Zabransky also scored for Kelowna, who will host Tri-City on Saturday.

Beck Warn finished with 34 saves for the Americans, while Roman Basran had 21 for the Rockets.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1903 — The Boston Pilgrims win the first World Series, 5 games to 3, with a 3-0 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates.

1960 — Bill Mazeroski opens the bottom of the ninth with a home run off Ralph Terry of the New York Yankees to give the Pittsburgh Pirates a 10-9 victory and the World Series championship.

1998 — For the first time in NBA history, the league cancels regular season games after labor talks break off.

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