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The Eagles' Trey Wandschneider wraps up Cove quarterback Bryson Stitzel as Ben Lopez (77), Rylie Warnock (5) and Logan Welch (33) close in for the sack.

**SCOREBOARD**

**TUESDAY, OCT. 4**

**Volleyball**  
Joseph def. Wallowa 25-22, 25-13, 25-23

**THURSDAY, OCT. 6**

**Volleyball**  
Enterprise def. Elgin 25-10, 25-21, 25-14

**FRIDAY, OCT. 7**

**Football**  
Joseph 56, Cove 26  
Pine Eagle 30, Wallowa 28  
**Volleyball**  
Joseph def. Cove 24-26, 25-9, 25-13, 25-12  
Wallowa def. Pine Eagle 25-17, 25-21, 25-10

**SATURDAY, OCT. 8**

**Volleyball**  
Grant Union def. Enterprise 25-16, 25-15, 25-15  
Joseph def. Nixyaawii 25-12, 25-6, 25-7  
Joseph def. Griswold 25-20, 25-19, 20-25, 25-12  
Wallowa def. Griswold 26-24, 25-11, 24-26, 25-21  
Wallowa def. Nixyaawii 25-12, 25-10, 25-6

**TUESDAY, OCT. 11**

**Volleyball**  
Enterprise vs. Imbler, 5 p.m.

**SPORTS CALENDAR**

**THURSDAY, OCT. 13**

**Volleyball**  
Joseph @ Pine Eagle, 4 p.m.  
Wallowa vs. Echo, 5 p.m.

**Cross Country**  
Wallowa County @ Kyle Burnside Memorial Wildhorse Invite (Pendleton)

**FRIDAY, OCT. 14**

**Football**  
**Enterprise vs. Union, 7 p.m.**  
Joseph vs. Echo, 7 p.m.  
Wallowa @ Cove, 7 p.m.  
**Volleyball**  
Enterprise vs. Union, 4 p.m.  
Joseph vs. Echo, 4 p.m.  
Wallowa @ Cove, 4 p.m.

**SATURDAY, OCT. 15**

**Volleyball**  
Joseph @ Cove, 1 p.m.  
Wallowa @ Nixyaawii, 1 p.m.  
Wallowa @ Griswold, 3 p.m.

**TUESDAY, OCT. 18**

**Volleyball**  
1A District play-in games

# EAGLES BOUNCE BACK

*DeLury rushes for 5 TDs in rout of Cove*

By Scot Heisel  
Wallowa County Chieftain

One week after a bruising 64-6 loss to Powder Valley, the Joseph Eagles found their groove again and coasted to a 56-26 home victory of the Cove Leopards on Friday night.

Joseph (3-3, 2-1) scored on each of its first seven drives, which included five rushing touchdowns from senior Cayden DeLury, another from senior Logan Welch and a 34-yard pass from DeLury to sophomore Kade Kilgore

that sent the Eagles into halftime with a commanding 34-6 lead.

The Eagles defense was equally impressive, clogging up the Leopards rushing attack for most of the night and constantly pressuring Cove's junior quarterback Bryson Stitzel. The defense also contributed points. With Cove backed up on its own 5-yard line, the Joseph line surged and forced a Stitzel fumble that was scooped up by sophomore Trey Wandschneider for an Eagles touchdown.

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Cayden DeLury (20) sets up a block by Logan Welch (33) during a long touchdown run in the first quarter.

# Outlaws hammer Huskies

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The puzzle pieces are falling into place for Outlaws volleyball.

Enterprise defeated league foe Elgin on Thursday for the second time in a week — this time emphatically and at home.

Junior Riley Gray led the attack with 11 kills and senior setter Gwen Jenson amassed 24 assists, including 12 in the third game alone, as the Outlaws (7-11, 2-4) swept the Huskies 25-10, 25-21, 25-14.

Enterprise enjoyed arguably its best performance of the season. The Outlaws consistently found their spots on defense, managed crucial digs and made solid contact on the attack. As a team, they committed just four service errors the entire match.

"I don't think they realized how many mistakes we were making," said coach Shianne Micka. "I brought them their stats one day and said, 'This is what you've been doing.' Their reaction was like, 'What?' Once I brought that to their attention, they realized they needed to play smarter and get better at the little things."

The improvement was evident right away as the Outlaws jumped out to a quick 11-2 lead in the first game behind a flurry of aces and kills. Enterprise closed the deal on



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Riley Gray drives the ball past an Elgin defender as teammate Ashley Exon watches Thursday.

Game 1 behind effective service from sophomore Shelby Moncrief and a pair of strong kills by Gray.

The only letdown for Enterprise came in the second game when the Huskies (2-10, 0-6) chipped away at a five-point deficit and got to within 17-15 on an ace from junior Taylor Noble. Enterprise junior Reece Christman then took serve and got the Outlaws back on track with four straight points, one on an ace, two on kills from Gray and another on a kill by senior Tiffanie George, who finished with four kills, 10 digs and a pair of aces.

The Huskies battled back to pull within 23-21, but ultimately lost the second game 25-21 on a service error.

The third game was never really in doubt as Enterprise

jumped out to a 10-3 lead. George took serve at 11-6 and the Outlaws reeled off six straight points. Senior outside hitter Sarah Aschenbrenner announced her presence with four kills in the span of 10 points.

Junior Heidi Niezen finished with six kills and an assist for Enterprise, while junior Ashley Exon contributed four kills, two aces and nine digs. The Outlaws also got 10 digs from Christman and seven each from Gray and Moncrief. Gray and Niezen had two blocks each to lead Enterprise.

The Outlaws hit the road for a match at league-leading Grant Union on Saturday. (19-3, 4-0). The Prospectors (21-3, 6-0), ranked No. 3 in the state, swept Enterprise 25-16, 25-15, 25-15.

# Joseph tames Leopards

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With 1A district play looming on the horizon, the Joseph Eagles (16-4, 9-2) continued to build momentum last weekend with three more league victories, starting with a four-game win over visiting Cove (6-12, 4-7) on Friday.

The Eagles had a solid chance to win a back-and-forth first game against the Leopards, when senior Ally Cooney appeared to drive home the winning kill with Joseph up 24-22. Cove scrambled to make the save of the match, however, and held on for a 26-24 win.

The temporary setback only seemed to spark the Eagles' killer instinct, however.

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Haven Johnson goes for the kill off a set from Johnelle Suto (3) as Cove's front line rises to defend Friday.

**PREP ROUNDUP**

# Cougars win 3 matches

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Keep an eye on those Cougars.

The Wallowa volleyball team went into the weekend with just one league victory on the season, but swept three home league matches Friday and Saturday to improve to 4-6 in the Old Oregon League Standings.

The Cougars opened the weekend with a convincing 25-17, 25-21, 25-10 win over Pine Eagle on Friday.

Against Griswold in the

first of two Saturday matches, Wallowa took a close first game 26-24 and cruised to a 25-11 win in the second game. They fell 24-26 in the third game — the only one they lost all weekend — before clinching the match, 25-21 in the fourth.

In Saturday's late match, Wallowa swept Nixyaawii 25-12, 25-10, 25-6.

The Cougars will wrap up the regular season with four matches in three days — against Echo at home at 5 p.m. Thursday, followed

by road games at Cove on Friday and at Nixyaawii and Griswold on Saturday.

**Football: Another loss for Wallowa**

Travis Haga rushed for 167 yards and a touchdown on 24 carries and tossed a pair of touchdown passes, but the Cougars (1-5, 0-3) came up just short in a 30-28 home loss against league-leading Pine Eagle (4-2, 3-0) on Friday night.

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