



TEAMS TRAVEL TO EVENTS PRIOR TO SPRING BREAK

Athletes compete in softball games, track meets before break

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Enterprise and Joseph competed at the Buck Track Classic in Pendleton on Thursday, while the Wallowa Valley Cubbies softball team competed at the Pilot Rock tournament, coming away with a 1-3 record after two games each on Friday and Saturday.

Buck Track Classic

Both the Joseph Eagles and Enterprise Eagles competed at the classic on March 23 against 24 other schools, some that were larger than both schools together.

Eagles coach John Roberts was pleased with his team's performance.

"We did good on our running and stuff. A couple of field events did pretty good. We've got a young squad on the boys side they ran events worth checking around on. Cayden Delury's doing real well, got fourth place in the 300 hurdles on his first try. He hasn't run them since eighth grade, so he's a little rusty," Roberts said with a laugh.

He also lauded the performances of Haley Miller in the 800 meters and Isabelle Tingelstad in the 3000 meters with third and first place finishes respectively.

The next Eagles meet is at the Carnival of Speed at Milton-Freewater on Friday, April 7.

Girls results – Top 10 finishers. 800 meters: 4. Eliza Irish 2:38.11 Enterprise. 6. Deedee Duncan 2:40.88 Enterprise. 1500 meters: 3. Haley Miller 5:13.75 Joseph. 3000 meters: 1. Isabelle Tingelstad 11:20.03 Joseph. 100 m hurdles: 8. Ashlyn Gray 18.26 Enterprise. 300 meters: 9. Karli Bedard 51.80 Enterprise. 4X100 relay: 5. Hero Peters, Reagan Bedard, Riley Gray, Ashlyn Gray 54.54 Enterprise. High Jump: 1. Karli Bedard 5-02.00 Enterprise 3. Ally Cooney 4-10.00 Joseph. 5. Alexis Sykora 4-06.00 Joseph. Pole Vault: 4. Maddie Bailey 7-00.00 Joseph. Long jump: 2. Riley Gray 15-03.25 Enterprise. Triple Jump: 8. Tiffany George 27-11.00 Enterprise.

Boys results – 100 meters: 8. Garrett Thorne 11.78 Enterprise. 400 meters: 4. James Madsen 54.39 Enterprise. 800 meters: 8. Jacob Strampe 2:15.55 Enterprise 300 meter hurdles: 4. Cayden DeLury 43.16 Joseph. 4X100 relay: 5. James Madsen, Trenton Sneed, Brandon Frolander, Garrett Thorne 46.98 Enterprise. Shot Put: 2. Chandler Burns 44-08.00 Enterprise. 4. Blaze Lepper 41-11.00 Enterprise. Discus: 8. Blaze Lepper 110-05 Enterprise. 9. Chandler Burns 109-02 Enterprise. Javelin: 4. Ethan Burns 143-10 Enterprise.



Karli Bedard, of Enterprise, competes in the 300-meter hurdles during Thursday's Buck Track Classic.

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Softball

The Wallowa Valley softball squad traveled to Pilot Rock for a tournament, coming away from the weekend with a 1-3 non-league record. Friday, March 24, saw the WV nine narrowly losing their opener 5-4 to Weston-McEwen.

Madison Plew pitched the game with she and catcher Jessie Teeney mustering up eight strikeouts. Annalese Barnes served up 3 RBIs for the cause and Shelby Moncrief batted .500 for the game.

The later game saw the ladies on the short end of a 16-0 loss to Scio.

"We had a bad first inning and were never able to recover," said coach Andy Plew.

Saturday's opener against

Gaston proved fruitful as the team cruised to a 15-4 victory. Plew struck out four and only faced three batters in several innings. She also hit a home run in her first at bat, going 3 for 4 on the day while Becca Bateman and Moncrief each went 3 for 5.

Ashley Exon played spectacular defense at second base, the coach said. He also lauded the performance of senior and first-year player Gwen Jensen, who got her bat on the ball each time she went up to the plate over the weekend.

The final game was a 13-2 loss for Wallowa Valley. Josie Scott hit a home run in her second at bat, the lone bright spot.

The girls' next game is at Vale on April 10.



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Isabelle Tingelstad, of Joseph, takes the lead early in the 3,000-meter run during Thursday's Buck Track Classic. Tingelstad won the race with a time of 11:20.03.



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