# Boys all-stars wrap successful season

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The Wallowa Valley boys Little League Majors allstar baseball team finished the season with a step in the right direction. The boys put in a solid performance at the district all-star tournament in Hermiston.

The first game, on Saturday, June 22, saw the lads match up with Milton Freewater, easily winning the game, 6-1. The following day saw the squad facing La Grande.

The game did not go quite as well, despite a solid team performance, particularly of pitcher Tyler Knapp. The score stood tied at 2-2 in the bottom of the fifth when La Grande broke the game open, scoring two runs that led to its 4-2 victory over Wallowa Valley.

Coach Cameron Albee said the boys hit the ball

"It was a really fun game to watch because the game was played at a high level," Albee said. "There weren't many errors and pitchers didn't issue many walks. Our kids showed they could compete with any level of little league team in our district."

He also singled out the pitching performance of Knapp as a high point.

"When he pitched that game, I have to say it was one of the finest pitching efforts I've ever seen," he said. "That kid's a great athlete."

Wallowa Valley played Columbia, a combined team of Stanfield, Echo, Boardman and Umatilla kids on Monday, June 24. Again, Wallowa Valley rose to the occasion, beating that squad 8-3, to stay alive in the

Wallowa Valley played Hermiston the following day, but fell, 14-1. Coach Albee said the loss ended the tournament for the squad who placed fourth in the seven-team tournament.

"It's an uphill battle for Wallowa County," Albee said. "We're competing against Baker City, Hermiston, La Grande and Pendleton — those teams have a lot of



Wallowa Valley boys Little League all-stars — Majors (L to R): Gunner Sinclair, Malcolm Albee, Nate Cameron, Kellen Crenshaw, Rhyson Collier, Nathan Lamb, Tyler Knapp, Pearce Schnetzky, Hunter Martin, Gunner McDowell, Lucas Goodrich, Kason Mitchell. Back Row (L to R) Coaches Cameron Albee, Curtis Jackson and Kallie Jackson.

kids to choose from."

He added that he saw the group as a great bunch of kids with high potential, whose love of the game made

them a pleasure to coach. Albee also wished to extend thanks and recognition to assistant coaches Curtis and Kallie Jackson.

## Ladies Day can be every day out on the links

By Rochelle Danielson

There ought to be a law that gives lady golfers the opportunity to press an imaginary 'REPLAY' button whenever they have a super drive or a spectacular putt. On separate occasions this past month Donna McCadden and Panky Hauxwell, two members of Tuesday Ladies group, would have enjoyed watching a replay of their high flying drives and bulls-eye

## tee time

putts that gave each of them a birdie on No. 4's par 3.

Come to think about it, if a replay button is possible in a fantasy game of golf wouldn't it be nice if the gals could also have a 'SAVE' button for the perfect swing, and a 'DELETE' button for an in-the-creek or out-of-bounds penalty

3:00pm

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shot? There'd be no need for a 'CURSOR' imagination necessary.

It's not a fantasy that Tuesday Ladies Day has seen an upswing in turnout the past couple of weeks. On June 11, sixteen gals met at 9 a.m. for the monthly business meeting after which they teamed up in pairs and together played 5 holes of what might be called a very slow "Horse Race." First place money winners were Carol Marr

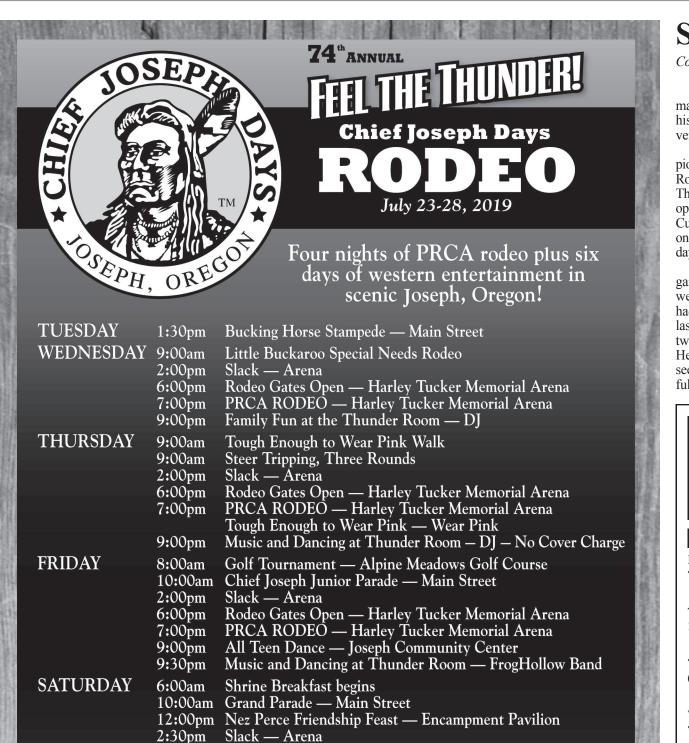
and Panky Hauxwell. Second place, Ernestine Kilgore and Dayle Harmon. Third place: Judy Ables and Kathy Reynolds. The other five teams were only a horse-length back.

While the sun shone brightly and a breeze blew softly eighteen to twenty gals teamed up for an excellent day of golf on Ladies Day Tuesday, June 18. A welcome to newcomers Sue Coppin and Kim

Carol Marr and Cindy Parks traveled out of the county on Thursday, June 13th to play in Baker City's Ladies Invitational. When asked if they won golf balls, money or a bouquet of flowers, Carol's answer was, "We had a lot of fun."

Speaking of flowers check out the beauties at AMGC clubhouse entry way. Credit goes to Judy Ables and Nancy Huff for the big planters and hanging baskets. Alder Slope Nursery had a hand in the planters. Joseph FFA gets a thank-you for the hanging basket on patio.

An Eastside Senior's monthly Monday notable: Chuck Haines, one of AMGC's Eastside Seniors, says sixteen Wallowa County golfers traveled to Union's Buffalo Peak June 17, for competition play with 76 golfers from northeast Oregon. Alpine Meadows will host the seniors in August.



Traditional Indian Dance Contest — Encampment Pavilion

6:00pm Rodeo Gates Open — Harley Tucker Memorial Arena
7:00pm PRCA RODEO — Harley Tucker Memorial Arena
9:00pm All Teen Dance — Joseph Community Center
9:30pm Music and Dancing at Thunder Room — FrogHollow Band
After Rodeo — Cowboy Breakfast — Rodeo Grounds — til 3:00am

Cowboy Church Service

Cowboy Breakfast — Rodeo Grounds — til 10:00am

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## **Softball:** Cubs to state

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"They showed a ton of maturity," Kirkland said of his squad. "It was a very, very exciting game."

That left only the championship game against Pilot Rock on the following day. The Cubs edged out their opponent 5-4, which put the Cubs into the state championships, coming up on Saturday, July 6, in Klamath Falls.

"It was a super-exciting game," Kirkland said. "We were the visitors, and we had the lead, 5-4. We got our last two outs on their girls twice trying to steal home." He added it was his first time seeing a team unsuccessfully try to steal home twice in the same inning.

The Cubs will play at U.S. Cellular Field, a state of-the-art field.

"It's a really nice complex there — all turf," Kirkland said. "It'll be all of our girls' first experience on turf.'

Kirkland said that he was told it's been about a dozen years since the county has even fielded a juniors team, and that makes the success even more special. He also wants the county to know how young the team is, and how it's playing far above its age level.

"This is a great group of kids, and a great bunch of parents," he said. "It's been super rewarding and super relaxing. We're super excited."





### **ENTERPRISE**

**MONDAYS** 

7 p.m. Enterprise Group 113.5 E Main St.

TUESDAYS

12-1 p.m. Enterprise Group 113.5 E Main St.

7-8 p.m. Enterprise Group (Big Bk Study) 113.5 E Main St.

WEDNESDAYS 7 p.m. Enterprise Group 113.5 E Main St.

**THURSDAYS** 

12-1 p.m. Enterprise Group 113.5 E Main St.

7 p.m. All Saints (Mens Mtg)

113.5 E Main St.

**FRIDAYS** 

7 p.m. Enterprise Group 113.5 E Main St.

**SATURDAYS** 

### **JOSEPH**

**MONDAYS** 

6 p.m. Grace and Dignity (Womans Mtg) Joseph United Methodist Church 301 S. Lake St., Church Basement

WEDNESDAYS 12 p.m. Grace and Dignity (Womans Mtg)

301 S. Lake St., Church Basement

Al-Anon Family Group (support for family and friends of alcoholics) meets Tuesday evenings at the Joseph United Methodist Church (basement on north). 6pm-7pm.

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**SUNDAYS** 7 p.m. Wallowa Assembly of God Church 205 S Alder St.

7 p.m. Enterprise Group 113.5 E Main St.