BMC:

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the team with 2.9 assists. She also had 5.4 rebounds and 2.6 steals per contest.

Two Outlaws also earned honorable mention: junior Maci Marr and junior Emily Love. Marr averaged just 4.5 points per game, but did a bit of everything for Enterprise. She averaged 4.8 rebounds, 2.7 steals and 2.7 assists, all totals that she was either second or third on the team in.

"I look at my two players, Maci and Emily, who were honorable mention. They could have just as easily been second team," Crawford said. "Very proud of all of them. They are definitely worthy of all they got."

Love came on strong late and finished with 9.3 points and 3.3 steals per game, second on the team in both categories. She also shot 42% from the floor, the best of anybody on the team with at least 10 field goal attempts in league play.

"I felt like I had four girls that were in the top 15 players (in the league), and so did everyone else," Crawford said.

In addition to the four members of the girls team, Jackson Decker was a second-team selection for the Enterprise boys, helping the Outlaws to a strong finish that saw them take two of their last three games after a 2-17 start to the season.

Decker averaged 10.2 points per game on the season with 62 assists and 54 steals. In league, he shot 35% from the floor, 31% from 3-point range and 67% from the free-throw line. Perhaps the highlight of the season for the senior was scoring 18 points in the fourth quarter to rally the team from a 16-point deficit to a win against Grant Union.

"I couldn't be more proud of him and his accomplishments this year," boys head coach Kyle Crawford said. "I know Jackson would agree that great individual performances only happen with the support of his team."

ALL-BMC PERFORMERS

Listed are the all-Blue Mountain Conference performers. Players marked with an asterisk (*) were unanimous selections.

GIRLS **First Team**

*Callie Glenn, Union *Maggie Sharp, Stanfield *Rilyn Kirkland, Enterprise *ZaBrena Masterson, Heppner Audrey Wells, Union Jada Gray, Enterprise

Second Team

Alexis Shelby, Stanfield **Riley Robertson, Grant** Union Dalana Pickard, Weston-McEwen Kaylin Nowak, Union Zuri Reeser, Stanfield

Honorable Mention

Jade Atkins, Pilot Rock Maci Marr, Enterprise Zandra Masterson, Heppner Hallie Hisler, Heppner Emily Love, Enterprise Paige Gerry, Grant Union Jennifer Flores, Stanfield Jesse Ledbetter, Union Audrey Hill, Union

BOYS

First Team

*Tee Ledbetter, Union *Gator Goodrich, Stanfield *Kason Cimmiotti, Heppner *Theo White, Weston-McEwen *Joe Sherman, Heppner Bo Ledbetter, Union

Second Team

Rylen Bronson, Pilot Rock Habtamu Hurty, Stanfield Parker Neault, Grant Union Jackson Decker, Enterprise Kyren Miller, Weston-McEwen

Honorable Mention

Brock Hisler, Heppner Chase Koshinsky, Union Wyatt Stillman, Pilot Rock Cameron Reich, Weston-McEwen Sheldon Lenz, Grant Union Pablo Arellano, Stanfield Tucker Ashbeck, Heppner

Coach:

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SPORTS

in the first two games of the OOL district tournament, the Cougars eked out a 35-34 win against Joseph in the third-place game for their first playoff berth since 2019.

"Our kids have worked pretty hard this year. We've improved from the start of the year to the end," Oveson said.

The Cougars' season ended with a rough loss to Jordan Valley in the first round of the state playoffs, but the future looks bright for Wallowa with four starters returning, including three players who earned all-league accolades.

Leading the way in the player awards for Wallowa was sophomore Zoe Hermens, whose efforts netted her a spot on the first team alongside Rachael Stirewalt of Imbler; Mersayus Hart of Nixyaawii; Dallee Bingham of Powder Valley; and OOL player of the year Sophie Bronson of Nixyaawii.

Sophie Moeller was a second-team player for the Cougars, and Libby Fisher was named honorable mention.

"Those are our three leading scorers. They each had up and down parts of the season, (and) while we

ALL-OOL AWARDS

GIRLS

First team

*Sophie Bronson, Nixyaawii

Rachael Stirewalt, Imbler

Mersayus Hart, Nixyaawii

Dallee Bingham, Powder

Second team

Sophie Moeller, Wallowa

Jaycee Gray, Powder Valley

Honorable mention

Aimee Meyers, Joseph

Kyella Picard, Nixyaawii

Gracie Evans, Elgin

Laurel Marler, Cove

Jodi Bingham, Powder

Libby Fisher, Wallowa

Cooper Nave, Joseph

Joelle Treat, Imbler

Taylor Cochell, Pine Eagle

Sistine Moses, Nixyaawii

Sydney Moore, Griswold

didn't put it all together

at the end, we're getting

close, and hopefully we

can do some stuff this sum-

mer and keep building,"

almost 75% of the team's

offense. Hermens averaged

11.25 points per game,

Moeller netted 8.5 points

per game and Fisher had

The three combined for

Oveson said.

Valley

Valley

Zoe Hermens, Wallowa

Coach of the year

Greg Oveson, Wallowa

Coach of the year *League player of the year Tony Haddock, Imbler

First team

BOYS

*Reece Dixon, Powder Valley Patrick Frisch, Cove Cole Morgan, Pine Eagle Blade Suto, Joseph Kaden Krieger, Powder Valley

Aaron Barkley, Nixyaawii Baron Moses, Nixyaawii

Second team

Caleb Brown, Pine Eagle Chase Homan, Joseph Cole Martin, Powder Valley Justin Frost, Imbler Dylan Abrahamson, Nixyaawii

Honorable mention

Willie Gibbs, Wallowa Jake Bingaman, Imbler Caleb Wiggins, Cove Wyatt Burgess, Cove James Burney, Joseph Hayden Hite, Joseph Coyote Jackson, Nixyaawii Case Olson, Powder Valley Kaiden Dalke, Powder Valley

6.5 points per game.

Joseph landed its top two players on the team, as Aimee Meyers finished with a second-team nod, and Cooper Nave was listed as honorable mention.

The Eagles fell just a couple points shy of a state playoff bid, but, like Wallowa, returns a slew of players, including four starters from a team that finished 12-11 for coach Lance Homan.

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Four earn honors for Joseph boys

On the boys side, Joseph saw four players recognized. Sharpshooter Blade Suto was tapped as a firstteam award winner alongside Cole Morgan of Pine Eagle, Patrick Frisch of Cove, Aaron Barkley and Baron Moses of Nixyaawii, and Kaden Krieger and Reece Dixon of Powder Valley, with Dixon being named player of the year. Imbler's Tony Haddock was selected as boys coach of the year.

Chase Homan earned a spot on the second team, and honorable mention went to James Burney and Hayden Hite.

I am super proud of all the players that made these teams," head coach Olan Fulfer said. "They worked hard to get there. The coaches showed our team a lot of respect with voting four players onto the all-league teams, and that is rare to ever have that many."

Wallowa's Willie Gibbs rounded out his basketball career earning honorable mention.

"(He's) a senior that worked hard to get where he ended up this year," Wallowa head coach Deon Chandler said of Gibbs. "Great young man."

Wrestling:

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inated following a loss by fall to Hunter Mersch of Jefferson in the consolation semifinals, wrapping up his tournament at 2-2.

Joseph head coach Tim Kiesecker said Peterson wrestled well, and noted that "he won a match against a kid (Guest) that he lost to the week before at district. What I am most

excited about (is) how the kids can't wait for next season."

Peterson's effort netted Joseph seven team points to tie for 33rd.

Peterson ended up being the only Wallowa County wrestler to win a match at state. Delapena, after a firstround bye, was pinned by Adam Reyes of Kennedy before the matchup against Peterson, which saw her fall in 2:04.

Tegan Evans suffered a loss by fall to Shade Starr

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of Colton with just 19 seconds to go in their firstround match, then ran into district rival Reece McConnell of Elgin, who pinned him in 3:52.

Will Ogden was handed a first-round loss by fall to top-seed AshBlomstrom of Toledo, then faced Clancy Rutledge of Culver, who eliminated Ogden with a

McDowell dropped a firstround match to Tommy Vigue of Coquille with less than 90 seconds to go, then was eliminated after a 10-0 major decision loss to Cameron Diacetis of Regis.

"Even though we didn't have the tournament we really would (have) liked we're still super proud of the accomplishments of the kids," Enterprise head coach Court Fent said.

Culver ran away with the team title with 182 points, more than 80 ahead of runner-up Illinois Valley. It's the 13th OSAA wrestling title won by the program.

12-4 major decision.

And freshman Gunnar

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