

Enterprise track team combines to win nine events

By RONALD BOND
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JOHN DAY — The Enterprise boys track and field team took second Friday, May 6, at the Grant Union Invitational, winning four events in the process, while the girls team placed third and won five events.

Zac Knapp had two individual victories for the Outlaws, posting a time of 2:02.08 to win the 800-meter run, and a time of 10:13.65 to win the 3,000. He also was part of the winning 4x400 relay team,

joining Weston Wolfe, Ransom Peters and Levi Ortsam to post a top time of 3:37.14. Ortsam posted the fourth win of the day with a time in the 400 of 50.99 seconds, and he was second in the 200 in 23.86.

Taking second was Tyler Knapp in the 3,000 in 10:42.93, Roan Flynn in both the 300 hurdles (45.28) and the long jump (17-foot-7½), and the 4x100 relay team of Peters, Andrew Nordtvedt, Cory Walker and Ortsam in 46.79.

Peters added third-place finishes

in both the 100 (12.06) and the 200 (24.61), Flynn was third in the 110 hurdles (19.00) and Wolfe was third in the triple jump (37 feet, 1½ inches). And rounding out top-four finishes was Tanner Kesecker in fourth in the discus (106-10) and Wolfe in fourth in the 300 hurdles (46.80).

On the girls side, the 4x100 relay team led the way with Jada Gray, Maddie Nordtvedt, Lannie Stonebrink and Nevaeh James winning in 53.75. James and Gray both added individual wins, with Gray taking the 100

hurdles in 20.31, and James winning the 300 hurdles in 51.94. Also getting victories were Kendall Wigen in the 400 (1:08.05) and Madison Wigen in the high jump (4-8).

Gray added two more runner-up efforts, taking second in the high jump at 4-feet-6, and in the 300 hurdles in 55.31. The 4x400 relay team of Alisha Melville, Stonebrink, Kendall Wigen and Maddie Nordtvedt was second in 4:33.03. James also was second in the 100 (14.23), Madison Wigen was second in the 200

(31.27), Melville was second in the 400 (1:08.88) and Nordtvedt was second in the 800 (2:44.51).

In third was Ailena McEntire in the 200 in 31.92, and Nordtvedt was fourth in the 100 (14.43) and Kendall Wigen fourth in the long jump (12-11¼).

The Outlaw boys finished with 140 points to trail just Grant Union (194 points) and the girls had 136 points, behind Grant Union (185) and Burns (153).

The team returns to action May 13 at the 2A Special District 5 Championships in Athena.

Joseph track competes in Baker City

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BAKER CITY — The Joseph boys track and field team had three athletes place at the “Ray Day” Invitational at Baker City on Friday, May 6, while the girls team had two place.

Bayden Menton led the way for the Joseph boys by placing second in the 1,500 in 4:30.19, while in the same race, teammate Jett Leavitt was sixth in 4:39.32.

Kale Ferguson, meanwhile, was third in the javelin (146 feet, 11 inches) and fourth in the discus (119-10).

For the girls, Basey Dawson was seventh in the high jump (4-10) and Iona McDonald was eighth in the 3,000 (13:46.14).

The Joseph boys as a team tied for 13th, and the girls took 19th.

Joseph returns to Baker on May 13 for the 1A Special District 4 Championships.



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Above: Dylan Jennings of Enterprise High School tees off at the start of the Enterprise Invitational on Friday, May 6, 2022, at Alpine Meadows Golf Course in Enterprise. Below: Chase Homan of Joseph Charter School tees off at an invite Friday, May 6, 2022, at Alpine Meadows Golf Course in Enterprise.

BASEBALL

Wallowa Valley sweeps past Umatilla

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The Wallowa Valley baseball team continued its homestand with two easy victories Wednesday, May 4, shutting down Umatilla in a Special District 5 doubleheader, 10-0 and 10-2.

Drew Beachy tossed five shut-out innings in the opener, allowing just three hits and striking out six batters.

Caden Fent helped power the offense with three RBIs, including a two-run single during a four-run second. Jaxon Grover had three hits, scored three times and drove in a run, and Spencer Decker had two hits, scored twice and drove in two runs. Kylar McQuead and Jesse Larison both added a pair of runs.

In the nightcap, McQuead drove in three runs, Grover had four more hits and Decker went 3-for-4 as the Eagles coasted to a second win for the sweep.

Grover scored three times in the win, and both Decker and Fent scored two runs. As a team, the Eagles finished with 14 hits.

Wallowa Valley (11-8 overall, 6-4 SD5) traveled to Athena to play Weston-McEwen on May 10, then wraps up the regular season May 13 at home against Nyssa.

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ENTERPRISE — Dylan Jennings took second overall to lead the Enterprise boys golf team to a fourth-place finish during its home meet, the Enterprise Invitational, on Friday, May 6.

Jennings shot a 93 on the day, just two strokes behind winner Landon Mitchell of Hepner. Alex Albanez was second on the team with a score of 111, followed by a 119 from Caleb Sheahan. Nathan Lamb carded a 129, and Gunnar McDowell rounded out the team effort with a score of 163.

Wallowa/Joseph was led by Chase Homan, who shot a 95 to be part of a three-way tie for third. Willie Gibbs added a score of 120, and Jonas McKee shot a 124.

For the Enterprise girls, Jordyn Stonebrink led the way with a score of 109. The rest of the Outlaws finished in a tight bunch. Ashlynn Greer was second on the team with a score of 128, Jordan Jennings and Codi Cunningham both shot a 131, and Kimber Stein posted a score of 133.

The teams were in action Monday and Tuesday at the District Tournament in Pendleton.



SOFTBALL

Wallowa Valley posts two more shutouts

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Add two more shutout victories for the Wallowa Valley softball team.

Sophie Moeller homered and Liz Rowley tossed a one-hit shutout as the Outlaws blanked Umatilla, 11-0, in the opener of a Friday, May 6 doubleheader. In the nightcap, Rilyn Kirkland went deep and Aimee Meyers threw a three-hit shutout in a 12-0 victory. Both games were five-inning wins.

In the first game, Rowley struck out 10 batters, walked one, gave up a hit and hit two batters. At the plate, she had two hits and drove in two runs. Alex Rowley had an identical



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Wallowa Valley's Aimee Meyers pitches while Rilyn Kirkland is ready at third base during a game against Umatilla.

line with two hits and two RBIs. Moeller's home run was part of a 3-for-4 game, one in which she drove in three runs and scored twice. Meyers and Sydney Hopkins also scored twice.

In the second game, Meyers struck out six batters on the way to her shutout. Kirkland had two hits, drove in three runs and scored twice. Cooper Nave, Abby Straight and Hopkins both added two RBIs. And Moeller scored three times.

With the two wins, Wallowa Valley secured second place in Special District 2. It was also the seventh and eighth shutouts of the season for the Outlaws.

Wallowa Valley (16-6 overall, 8-2 SD2) wraps up the regular season at home May 13 against Nyssa.

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