2002 volleyball season Varsity team featuring 3 tribal members

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Editor's note: This is the second in a series of articles featuring tribal mem ber athletes.

The new school year began just a few weeks ago, but the 2002 Madras High School varsity girls volleyball team has already seen an eventful season.

The White Buffalo girls began with league victories, despite injury to a key player, Cyrille Mitchell. At the same time freshman Susan Ahern has done a great job for the team while Mitchell has been recov-

The girls varsity team this year is featuring three members of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. The players are Mitchell, Ahern and senior Natasha Edwards, who has become an outstanding defensive player.

"She's one of those players who works extremely hard all the time," Coach Patti Wright said of Edwards.

"She's very dedicated to volleyball, and has worked hard to become an excellent defensive player in the back court. She's always looking for ways to improve. She has a very good work ethic."

About the 2002 White Buffalo girls Wright said, "The whole team gets along very well. It's great to be a part of team with girls who work this hard."

As the new season was just starting, Cyrille Mitchell, a junior at the high school, broke two ribs during



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Tribal members Cyrille Mitchell, Natasha Edwards and Susan Ahern (from left).

practice.

"She is just now returning to the squad after a pretty severe injury," said Coach Wright. "She's a tough kid, and we're looking forward to getting her healthy for competition."

Working her way back into the starting lineup, Mitchell at first played just for serving, as she could not risk having to dive to the floor for a ball, said Wright. Otherwise, Mitchell plays at the

Meanwhile 14-year-old Susan Ahern stepped in as a starter on the varsity.

"That says a lot about her, to be on the varsity," said Wright. "She has a lot of natural athletic ability. She jumps very well. I had not anticipated having her play in a starting role, but with Cyrille's injury, Susan has done a great job of filling in at the net."

Ahern has been playing volleyball since the seventh grade at the middle school. She is the only freshman on the high school girls varsity team. "It's exciting," she said. "And we have a lot of fun together." Ahern's parents are Fran and Dan Ahern.

Natasha Edwards, 17, has been playing volleyball for the past six years, since the seventh grade. "I like being part of a team, executing plays," Edwards said. Her parents are Lena Ike and James Greene.

Cyrille Mitchell, 16, has been playing volleyball since the fifth grade. "I just love the game," she said. Cyrille's parents are Lori and Gorky Mitchell.

They play at the Sisters Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 21. They have a home game against Gladstone on Thursday, Sept. 26.

Buffalos football team is 1-2

The Madras High School White Buffalo football squad lost to the Sisters Outlaws last week, 47-14. But the week before Madras defeated LaPine, 10-2.

By posting a win early in the season, the White Buffalos already have a better record than last year, when they won no games on the field.

The win against LaPine ended a 19game losing streak that began in the 2000 football season.

The loss against Sisters, a high-ranking team in the state, was the first home game for the White Buffalos this year.

The next home game is this Friday evening, Sept. 20. Game time is 7 p.m. They then travel to Gladstone on

The Madras team now has a record

Golf tourney to benefit museum

The Museum at Warm Springs next weekend is hosting its annual benefit golf tournament.

The tournament, Saturday, Sept. 28, is a four-person scramble shotgun start at the Kah-Nee-Ta Resort Golf Club.

Entry fee is \$75 per person, \$300 per team. The entry fee includes green fees and lunch.

All proceeds help The Museum at Warm Springs fulfill its educational mission. The event will also include great prizes, said Dora Goudy, development coordinator at the museum. For information, call Goudy at 553-3338.

Run is Oct. 12

The 2002 Kah-Nee-Ta fall run event, 10K and 2-mile, is set for Saturday, Oct. 12. Registration begins at 8 a.m. on that date, with the races beginning at 10 a.m.

Registration rate is \$8 for tribal members. This includes a t-shirt. Awards are medals given to the top

three finishers in all age divisions for both males and females. There will also be a door prize raffle.

Both races begin and end at the Kah-Nee-Ta Village front gate. Course is an out and back, on all

blacktop pavement. Water stations will be located along

For more information, call race di-

rector Andy Leonard at 553-3243 or

Entry forms should be returned to the Warm Springs Community Center office, 2200 Hollywood Blvd., Warm

Pool will be closed

The Kah-Nee-Ta Village pool has set the dates for pool closure while a new paint job is applied.

The dates are as follows:

September 23 through Oct. 10, the pool will be closed for painting and maintenance.

The pool will reopen on Oct. 11. The closure will include the Recreation Department and facilities.

Trying to find time to fit in fitness? Take a walk break, starting now through

The morning break is from 10 to 10:15 a.m. at the ECE and the Health

The afternoon break is from 3 to 3:15 p.m., at the Tribal Administration

Sept. 20, Monday, Sept. 23, Monday, Sept. 30, and Monday, Oct. 7.

Walk breaks set

and Wellness Center.

and Housing buildings. Upcoming walks are set for Friday,

Research has found that three 10minute walks a day are just as good as one 30-minute walk.

Madras Inv. results noted

The Madras High School crosscountry team hosted an invitational tournament Saturday, Sept. 7.

There were 177 runners in the girls event and 197 in the boys event.

St. Mary's won the invitational in the girls event with a score of 28, while Bend won the boys event with a score

Madras girls placed 14th with a score of 624, and their first runner came in at number 49. The boys finished in 12 with a score of 461, with their top runner coming in at number 65. The first three runners for Madras were in the top 100.

Following St. Mary's in the girls event were Mt. View 90, Sisters 156, The Dalles 157, Bend 163, Aloha 204, Scappoose 299, Myrtle Point 253, Summit 267, Newberg 308, Burns 385, Estacada 493, St. Helens 552, Madras 624, Wahtonka 649. Two teams, Crook County and LaPine, only had four fin-

Following Bend in the boys event were Mt. View 67, Newberg 104, Sisters 142, The Dalles 198, Summit 222, Scappoose 225, Crook County 264, St. Helens 276, Aloha 326, Burns 457, Madras 461, Wahtonka 472, Myrtle Point 494, Mt. Bachelor 885.

Friday, Sept. 6, the cross country team traveled to Redmond for an invitational meet. See more results in the next editiion of Spilyay Tymoo.

September Sports Schedules

Football Varsity Sept. 20

LaSalle @ Madras Gladstone @ Gladstone Sept. 27

Football Frosh/Soph LaSalle @ LaSalle Sept. 19

Sept. 26

Sept. 21

Sept. 24

Sept. 26

Sept. 28

Cross Country 4:00 TVC Preview @ Wilsonville Sept. 19 The Dalles Invitational @ The Dalles 11:00 Sept. 21 Trask Invitational @ McMinnville Sept. 28

Gladstone @ Madras

Volleyball Frosh/JV/Varsity Sept. 19

5:00 Estacada (F/JV/V) @ Madras 8:30 Sisters Invitational (V) @ Sisters 8:30 LaPine Invitational (JV) @ LaPine 5:00 Wilsonville (F/JV/V) @ Wilsonville 5:00 Gladstone (F/JV/V) @ Madras 8:30 Madras Invitational (V) @ Madras Sis. Clvr. LaP. PH, Bnd JV, Lkvw,

At the finish line



Madras cross country runner George Boise (center) races to the finish line for earlier place than opponents, to assist Madras team in placing 12th. Runners race for place for their team to have lowest scores.

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