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Burns posed a tougher battle in the final game. Grant Union took the loss with scores of 23-25, 16-25 and 19-25.

"In the first set, we pushed a lead early, but mid-set we once again allowed Burns to get back in the game, and they were able to finish with a win," Speth said. "This continues to be a trend that we need to work on if we are going to beat Burns."

In the second set, Grant Union struggled to pass early, getting behind from the start.

"We started to clean up our play, but it wasn't enough," she said. "In the third set, we again came out with an early lead, but once again, Burns was able to chip away and come out with the win."

The Prospectors have had uphill battles against Burns this season, suffering a loss at home and at the Hilander court in earlier games.

"For us to beat Burns, we need to pass much better on serve-receive," she said.

On a positive note, Speth added, "Defensively, we read their hitters much better than we have in the past, getting more blocks and digs than in previous matches."

Samantha Brock had her best day defensively with 18 digs in the game against Burns.

Four Prospectors were named to the All-League teams, including Heather Mosley and Rheanna Cartner, second team, and Kori Pentzer and Mariah Moulton, first team.

Coach Speth hopes to see Saturday's bleachers filled with Prospector supporters.

"We hope for a large turnout from the community as we play to continue our season and earn a trip back to Redmond for the Final 8," Speth said.



Contributed photo/Tanni Wenger Photography Studio
Grant Union Prospector Mariah Moulton (2) sends the ball over the reach of Imbler players at Saturday's district tournament.

Cross country runners beat their time

Coaches hope for more athletes next season

By Angel Carpenter
Blue Mountain Eagle

PENDLETON – Grant County cross country teams from 2A Grant Union and 1A Monument schools finished their season last Saturday at the 3A/2A/1A-SD5 Special District Championships in Pendleton.

Grant Union head coach Sonna Smith said her boys varsity team members ran their best time of the year.

"They all accomplished their goal," she said.

"We have the toughest league in the state for any size of school," she said, noting they compete with

15 other schools, while the 4A class has just three teams competing.

She said their team would have been battling with the second-place team for a state berth had they been in the 4A contest.

"We are already planning for next season and hoping to increase our numbers," she said.

Maya Thomas, a senior at Monument School, ran to 34th place out of 68 girls.

Head coach Chuck Thomas said Maya has been challenged by injuries throughout her high school career, but was injury-free this year.

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