

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 14

Grant Union, Long Creek track @ Mustang Invitational in Heppner, 2 p.m.

Friday, April 15

Grant Union softball @ Enterprise/Joseph/Wallowa in Enterprise (2), 1 p.m.

Grant Union baseball @ Heppner/lone in Heppner (2), 1 p.m.

Monument track @ Green and Gold Invite in Pendleton, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, April 19

Grant Union softball vs. Nyssa in John Day (2), 1 p.m.

Grant Union baseball @ Union in Union, 4 p.m.

Grant Union, Dayville, Long Creek, Monument, Prairie City track @ GU Small School Meet, 3:30 p.m.

TRACK

Continued from Page A9

For the boys, Andrew Copenhaver finished third in pole vault.

Prairie City

Prairie City athletes had some shining performances at the Burns event, including Garrett Hitz placing first in pole vault, second in javelin and third in the 110 hurdles. Amaya Zwegardt finished second in pole vault.

Prairie City head coach Joe Weymouth said his team also performed well at the John Day event.

"Dorran Wilson was first in the long jump and second in the 100," he said. "And our vaulters: Garrett Hitz with a new personal and school record, first in the 110 hurdles and second in the javelin; (and) Amaya Zwegardt, with her 18-inch improvement, is just 3 inches shy of the school record. Wyatt Williams performed well. All the athletes have been working hard at practices."

Dayville

Dayville athlete Kristina Humphreys finished first in javelin at both the Burns and John Day events. She was also third in discus at Burns.

For the boys, Bud Farmer earned third in the long jump, and Gabe Walker was fourth in the 110 hurdles.

"We had a good meet, and Gabe was notably the only hurdler in his event not to hit a hurdle (in John Day)," said Dayville head coach Peter Bogardus. "Gabe was the only athlete who made it to Burns on Saturday, where he PR'd in hurdles, long jump and the 100M. The weather was perfect."



LEFT: Prairie City's Teri Cobb throws shot put at the April 5 Grant Union Small Schools Invitational. In back, Prairie City's Megan Camarena, at left, and Grant Union's Lauren Amick. RIGHT: Dayville's Kristina Humphreys throws the javelin, finishing first out of 19 other girls with a mark of 123-11.



The Eagle photos/Angel Carpenter



Athletes compete in the 100-meter dash, including Prairie City's Dorran Wilson, front in black and orange, and Long Creek's Kirill Borisov, in red.

Long Creek

The Long Creek team had several athletes competing at the Burns event. However, their best performances were at the Grant Union invitational.

The boys team finished fourth out of seven teams in John Day.

For the boys, Kirill Borisov earned second place in both the 100 and 200 events. Fernando Rodriguez finished

second in the long jump and third in the high jump.

Cody Baker had a third-place finish in the 1500.

For the girls, Lilly Stemmann earned third in the 100 hurdles.

INVITE

Continued from Page A9

The Nixyaawii team won with 367 for the boys, and Heppner girls shot a 454 for first.

Low medalist for the boys was Riley Langford of Nixyaawii with 79 and, for the girls, Trinity McCarthy of La Grande with an 88.

Gehley had an 89 for the Grant Union boys, and Tiana Allen had 103 for the girls.

Coach Lundbom said he was impressed by his team's scores.

"For some it was not their lowest, but they played much better than the scores



The Eagle/Angel Carpenter

Grant Union golfer Tiana Allen competes in Friday's invitational at the John Day Golf Club.

showed," he said. "This is where district will be, and

the experience that they gained today will help in May. Tiana had a personal best and fourth (place), and Nathan was fifth and only a couple of strokes out of second."

Grant Union will host a fundraiser scramble at 10 a.m. Saturday at the John Day Golf Club. The team entry fee is \$100.

There will be a 50/50 drawing and closest to the pin contest at hole No. 4, an accuracy drive at hole No. 7, and one gross and two net prizes.

A silent auction will be held all day, and a \$5 barbecue hamburger feed will be held after the scramble.

To sign up, contact the clubhouse at 541-575-0170 or mail entry to Lundbom at 620 SE Hillcrest Road, John Day, OR 97845.

For more information, Lundbom may be reached at 541-620-0427.

BASEBALL

Continued from Page A9

After a slow start hitting, Grant Union's bats warmed up a bit in the bottom of the fourth inning. Young led off the inning with a single. Ty McDaniels' single advanced Young to second base, and Wyatt Weaver came to the plate and hit an RBI single that scored Young and put Grant Union on the scoreboard.

Then in the sixth, McDaniels smashed a double. Weaver again came to the plate, this time hitting an RBI double, which scored McDaniels and recorded his second RBI of the afternoon.

Grant Union's bats quieted down again after this, and they were unable to make a comeback. Delaney said that he was pleased with the entire team the first game, especially McDaniels' great performance at the plate.

Grant Union came out a bit flat in the second game and allowed a nine-run first inning. They played well the rest of the way, though, especially at the plate, where they managed 10 hits. Hayden Young performed especially well this game, going 3-3 with one RBI and one run scored.

Moving forward, Delaney hopes the team can learn to bring the effort and consistency from their better games to all their games.

Earlier in the week, the Prospectors also lost two close games to Culver, 9-6 and 17-15.

STATE

Continued from Page A9

"We're constantly working on chipping and putting," he said.

As far as this season's competition, he said, "It's anybody's game this year."

He said he appreciates all the golfers' positive strides.

"They've got a really good attitude, they like being out here, they improve every week and, hopefully, they peak at the right time," he said.

The sole senior on the team this season is Nathan Gehley. This is Gehley's fourth year on the team, and last summer he participated in Down Under Sports, competing on Oregon's team against international groups in Australia.

"Nathan's really worked hard the last three years," Lundbom said. "He deserves to make it to the next level."

Gehley said he's hopeful about the season, personally and as a team member.

"I'm hoping to place in the rest of the tournaments this year, and hopefully our team score is good enough to qualify for state to finish off my senior year," he said. "Jay (Goldblatt) has been outstanding his first year golfing, Connor (White) is a good addition, too and Duane (Stokes) has really picked it up this year."

the corner's
HOT SHOT
OF THE WEEK

AMAYA ZWEGARDT
School: Prairie City
Grade: 12
Parents: Lance and Louanne Zwegardt
Sport: Track and Field
Events: 100-meter dash, pole vault, long jump, and triple jump

What I like best about my sport: "I like that it is a team sport, but you can work individually to better yourself and help your team as well. As my first season in pole vault, I've made a lot of progress."

Coach's Comment: "Amaya has been putting in some extra hours on pole vault with coach Joe Hitz. She has a goal of making it to state her senior year. She has a great attitude and works hard. She recently improved from her first pole vault jump ever of 6 feet to 7-6, an 18-inch increase in less than a week."

- Head Coach Joe Weymouth

Proud sponsor of Grant County athletes
100 E. Main • Stoplight in John Day • 541-792-0425

Balance Today with Retiring Tomorrow

No matter where you're starting from, COUNTRY can help you achieve financial security in retirement. It starts with listening to your situation. Then we help you build a straightforward plan with step-by-step guidance. Call me to get started today.

Debbie Ausmus
245 South Canyon Blvd.
John Day, OR 97845
OPEN WED. & THUR.
9 am - 5 pm
541-575-1113
24 hrs/7 days wk

debbie.ausmus@countryfinancial.com

KNOW WHEN TO THROW IN.
KNOW WHEN TO MAKE THE CALL.

Community Counseling Solutions
528 E. Main Street | John Day
541-575-1466

Blue Mountain Hospital District Presents...

For the
month of April,
Blue Mountain Hospital and Strawberry Wilderness Community Clinic are offering a
20% discount on all patient balances paid in full.

Please contact the Business Office for more details at 541-575-1311.