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**Grant Union Prospecter Chelsie Kodesh sends the ball over her Union opponents' attempted block.**

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LADY PROS CLAIM WAPITI LEAGUE CHAMP STATUS

Another showdown with Imbler likely at Friday's district tournament

By Angel Carpenter  
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The Grant Union Lady Prospecters now know they have what it takes to reach their goals. When the volleyball team won yet another hard-fought match against the Imbler Panthers on the road Friday, Grant Union reached their goal of becoming the Wapiti League champions — for the first time since 2003 and only the second time in Grant Union history. The Prospecters' victory at home on Saturday, hosting the Union Bobcats for the Dig Pink Rally, closed the regular season with Grant Union holding an 8-0

undefeated in league record. "We are exceptionally proud of our accomplishments so far this season, but we still have some goals we want to reach," said Grant Union head coach Shae Speth. In Imbler, the Lady Pros overcame challenges to claim a 3-2 victory over the Panthers 25-21, 23-25, 27-25, 19-25 and 15-13. "We prepared all week for what adjustments we thought Imbler might make, and worked on adjustments we needed to make both offensively and defensively," Speth said. In the second and fourth sets, Grant Union was down early, unable to make the comeback. In the third set, the Prospecters came back late in the game to win. "In the fifth set, we started strong and fought for each point," Speth said. She said every team member played strong against Imbler.

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**Grant Union Prospecter Natalie Stearns keeps the ball in play during Saturday's Dig Pink Rally against Union, her teammates Chelsie Kodesh, left, and Heather Mosley in the action.**

## GRANT COUNTY SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Angel Carpenter  
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### Prospecters fire back for 32-22 road win over Imbler

The Prospecter football team had a 32-22 win over Imbler on Friday after finding momentum in the last minutes of the second quarter. Grant Union was in a 14-point hole with 4 minutes left in the first half. The Prospecters scored 16, to take a 24-22 lead going into halftime. Grant Union added eight more points to the scoreboard, and before Imbler could score again, Prospecter Kellen Shelley intercepted the ball. "We had some great plays and runs," said head coach Jason Miller. "The last few games we've started slow. We need to adjust and fix that." The Prospecters will face the Outlaws at 7 p.m. Friday on the road in Enterprise. Grant Union and Union are both 1-0 in league, and Enterprise and Imbler are 0-1.

**Grant Union stats:**  
141 yards passing on 21 attempts, 2 touchdowns  
208 yards rushing on 41 attempts, 2 touchdowns

**Imbler stats:**  
16 yards passing on 7 attempts  
176 yards rushing on 41 attempts

### Prairie City/Burnt River gridders blast Adrian in homecoming contest

The Panther/Bull junior varsity football team made Burnt River School's homecoming day last Thursday an exciting celebration as the team dominated, 40-6, over the Adrian Antelopes. The teams played in a downpour of rain. Head coach Darrel McKrola said he was worried about how the game would go, since he was down by five players due to illness.

"We had some younger kids step up and fill holes, and they performed well," he said, adding the team executed a good running game.

He noted the rain caused fumbles for both teams. A couple of Adrian's touchdowns were called back due to penalties, and then the Panther/Bulls made the stop and once intercepted the ball.

"Our defense did well," he said. "The boys had a really good game, and I was proud that they played well. They were ecstatic to win their homecoming game for their fans and families."

Two Panther/Bulls will attend the FFA National Convention this week, and McKrola said he'll be training two players to fill their quarterback and center positions for Friday's 12 p.m. game against Harper/Huntington in Harper.

**Prairie City/Burnt River stats highlights:**  
Tyler Belveal: 175 rushing yards, 3 touchdowns, 2 two-point conversions, 8 solo tackles, 7 assists, 1 fumble recovery, 1 interception  
Matt Siddoway: 172 rushing yards, 1 two-point conversion, one 52-yard run  
Wyatt Williams: 21 rushing yards, 1 touchdown, 2 two-point conversions, 3 tackles, 1 fumble recovery, 1 interception returned for a touchdown  
Tim Barabas: 2 tackles, 5 assists and 1 fumble recovery in his first game as a starter  
Conner Jones: 6 tackles

### Monument/Dayville stays upbeat for win in Huntington

The Monument/Dayville Tigers found their groove for a 3-1 win over Harper/Huntington on Friday. The Tigers won with scores of 25-6, 25-17, 16-25 and 25-15.

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## Panther cheer team shows school pride

By Angel Carpenter  
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People might want to bring along earplugs when attending any Prairie City School assemblies. Thanks to three spirited cheerleaders and a supportive student body, the noise

volume can reach deafening levels. This year's cheer squad is led by Prairie City School preschool and Title I teacher Jill Wright. She has a total of 10 years experience coaching cheer.

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**Prairie City High School cheerleading squad adds spirit to the Friday, Sept. 23, football game between the Prairie City/Burnt River and Monument/Dayville teams. From left: Paige Moore, Emily Ennis and Ariana Ceja. The cheer team is led by coach Jill Wright.**

## GRANT UNION CROWNS HOMECOMING ROYALTY



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Grant Union's homecoming royalty were named Oct. 7 during halftime of the Prospecters' winning game over the Culver Bulldogs. From left, freshmen Drew Lusco and Fallen Bolman, sophomores Roen Langum and Hailie Wright, juniors Zack Deiter and Reagan Shelley, seniors King Billy Copenhaver and Queen Jessica Carter, seniors James Mabe and Dauna Bishop, seniors Trejan Speth and Makenna Adair.

## Prairie City students keep quick pace at jog-a-thon

Kids earn \$1,244 and counting for parent teacher association

By Angel Carpenter  
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Ninety Prairie City School elementary students and pre-

schoolers ran to the beat of energetic music during their Oct. 5 jog-a-thon fundraiser. It was a healthy way to raise money for the parent

teacher association.

Students collected flat donations or pledges "per lap" from local residents prior to the event, then ran laps around the school gym.

The kids dressed up in workout clothing for Spirit Week, and the Panther mas-

cot, as well as cheerleader Ariana Ceja, shared high fives as the students jogged by them.

The event raised \$1,244, with pledge money still to be collected.

Lindsay Rausch, who was

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