



Lady Pros cruise to two victories

K. Wright, McKrola score 12 each against Union

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Grant Union Prospector Mariah Moulton works her way past a pack of Union Bobcats in Saturday's game.

GRANT UNION VS. ELGIN	
Mariah Moulton:	17
Mariah Wright:	10
Hailie Wright:	8
Trinity Hutchinson:	7
Jozie Rude:	3
Kaylee Wright:	2

The Grant Union Lady Prospectors claimed a 47-18 win over the Union Bobcats Saturday, after a 51-18 win over the Elgin Huskies on the road the previous day.

The games were again played without senior starter Heather Mosley who has been sidelined with an injury, and it was unclear whether she will return to play.

After tying the score a few times in the first quarter against Union, Grant Union pushed ahead when Prospector Kaylee Wright went 2-2 at the free-throw line, followed by her teammate Hailie Wright nabbing a steal twice in a row, scoring each time.

Prospector Jozie Rude's two-pointer ended the quarter with Grant Union leading 14-6.

Grant Union continued to keep Union's scoring to a minimum, the Lady Pros finishing the first half 22-10.

Kaylee Wright and Madi McKrola were high-point scorers for the game with 12 each, and several other players got in on the scoring against Union.

Hailie Wright scored nine, and Trinity Hutchinson and Mariah Moulton scored four each. Whitney McClellan scored three in the game, and Fallon Weaver and Jozie Rude had two each.

"I was extremely proud of the way we played defensively," said Grant Union head coach Mark Mosley.

"There were two of the Union girls we focused on shutting down, and I believe one had two points and their other had four. Offensively, we executed better tonight and showed a big improvement."

He said the game against Elgin the previous night was much the same.

"We executed well defensively and shot the ball really well," he said.

Grant Union will travel to Imbler to face the Panthers at 6 p.m. Friday, and they hit the road again Tuesday, Jan. 24 to face Baker at 5 p.m.

The Lady Prospectors (2-0 league, 9-3 overall) currently have the lead in the Wapiti League, followed by Enterprise (1-0, 11-2), Imbler (1-0, 7-4), Union (0-2, 6-8) and Elgin (0-2, 4-6).



The Eagle/Angel Carpenter
Grant Union Prospector Madi McKrola (12) goes up to score over the reach of Union's Katie Good (42) in Saturday's game.

Prairie City can't put brakes on Lady Mustangs

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The Prairie City Panthers lost a home game on Saturday to Crane, 47-25.

After a sluggish first quarter, the Panthers fired up in the second, scoring 10 points to Crane's 12.

But the Mustangs ran away with it, outscoring Prairie City 25-12, in the second half.

Crane's Claire Hammond, scoring 22 points in the game, was a tough one for the Lady Panthers to stop.

Prairie City's Brianna Zwegardt scored a team high of 15 for the Panthers.

"We played good defense," said Panther coach Bo Workman. "We just couldn't get the shots we wanted. They're getting better. We just need to get over that hill."

He said he's pleased with the younger girls on the team who have seen some playing time and are developing their skills.

Prairie City will host Adrian at 6 p.m. Friday and will travel to face Burnt River in Unity on Saturday at 2 p.m.



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Prairie City Panther Brianna Zwegardt (20) moves the ball past Crane opponents Saturday with teammate Sarah Ennis (22) in the action.

PRAIRIE CITY VS. CRANE	
Brianna Zwegardt:	15
Cassie Hire:	5 (one 3-pointer)
Sarah Ennis:	4
Emily Ennis:	1



FULL STEAM AHEAD

Panther boys win two at home

Prairie City is second in High Desert League

By Angel Carpenter
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The Prairie City Panthers powered past the Huntington Locomotives on Friday with a 49-38 league victory.

Playing at the Prairie City court, the Panthers left the Locomotives in the dust after a slow start.

Huntington led 9-6 going into the second. Then Panther Levi Burke went on a scoring attack, hitting four three-point shots in two-and-a-half minutes.

Prairie City entered halftime with a 27-14 lead and never looked back.

"That was a show to watch," said Panther head coach Jonathan Gill, speaking of Burke's performance.

Burke scored a team high 36, with 11 rebounds and three blocked shots.

"I'm really proud of him, not because of the points he got, but when his defense is up, he elevates the play of the other kids," Gill said.

He said Wyatt Williams also helped lead the team.

"He stepped up as a leader and controlled the tempo and kept the team together," Gill said.

This is Prairie City's third High

Desert League win, having lost only to the Jordan Valley Mustangs.

Jordan Valley currently holds the top spot in the league, with Prairie City in second.

The Panthers had a decisive victory over the Crane Mustangs Saturday, with a score of 79-56 over their league opponents.

"It was truly a team win," Gill said.

Four Panthers scored in double digits, including Dorran Wilson with 31 points, Brogan McKrola 22, Levi Burke 11 and Wyatt Williams 10.

"It was the best game of the season for our team thus far," the coach said. "We played four quarters of good basketball, and we played as a team — all the players contributed to the victory."

Gill added the team still has things to work on, but he was pleased with their performance.

"I'm proud of the boys," he said. "It makes me very happy as a coach when they play as a team like that."

Prairie City hosts Adrian at 7:30 p.m. Friday, and the Panthers travel to Unity to face Burnt River at 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

PRAIRIE CITY BOYS VS. HUNTINGTON	
Levi Burke:	36 points
Lucas McKinley:	8
Wyatt Williams:	4
Devin Packard:	1



Eagle photos/Angel Carpenter
Prairie City Panther Devin Packard looks to pass in Friday's game against the Huntington Locomotives. TOP PHOTO: Huntington Locomotive Derrick Rothenberger reaches in as Prairie City Panther Levi Burke (24) goes up to score.



LEFT: Prairie City Panther Lucas McKinley (22) on defense looks for Huntington's Charlee Ray's (13) next move.



FAR LEFT: Prairie City Panther Wyatt Williams, center, works the ball away from a Huntington opponent in Friday's game.