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Tiger Ravyn Walker’s two points made the score 8-6, the Lopes leading, but from there, the visitors were hard to catch.

At the half, Adrian led 35-13.

“The girls came out against the trap in the first quarter,” said Tiger head coach Taylor Schmadeka. “In the second quarter, we lost some focus, and fouls hurt us as well in the second quarter.”

The Tigers picked up speed in the third, outshooting the visitors 16-10.

Kyla Emerson went down as three minutes remained in the quarter and was out for the rest of the game with a knee injury.

Adrian upped its game in the final quarter, outshooting the Tigers 21-11.

“I was pleased with how we came out in the second half with fewer fouls,” Schmadeka said. “I was also happy with our defense, and the girls never stopping giving 100 percent, even when Kyla Emerson went down.”

Paythe Schafer was the high-point scorer for the Tigers with 10 points, and she was perfect at the free-throw line, shooting 4-4. Schafer was followed by Walker with nine points and Emerson with eight.

For Adrian, Morgan Bayes scored 19, followed by Shyanne Allaire with 12.

Earlier in the evening the junior varsity girls teams tied 17-17 in a two-quarter game.

The Tigers will travel to Prairie City on Friday, Jan. 27, to meet up with the Panthers, the girls varsity team scheduled to play at 6 p.m., followed by the boys at 7:30 p.m.

The Monument/Dayville girls (2-3 league, 7-7 overall) are currently fourth in the High Desert League and Prairie City girls are sixth (1-4, 2-9).

On Saturday, the Tigers will host the Crane Mustangs (5-0, 8-3) in Dayville with the girls scheduled to play at 2 p.m., followed by the boys at 3:30 p.m.

Monument/Dayville stats

Paythe Schafer: 10
Ravyn Walker: 9
Kyla Emerson: 8
Kendall Hettinga: 4
Danielle Rhoda: 4
Aubrey Bowlus: 4
Denali Twhehus: 1

TOURNEY

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“He had more knowledge and was stronger and in really good shape,” Hodge said. “I just keep pushing and never give up. Even though I hurt, it was worth it.”

Drew Lusco said he was happy with the event.

“The meet went well,” he said. “We had a lot of opponents, especially in the heavyweights.”

Since the tournament started at noon, while school was in session, students in PE classes, enjoyed watching from the stands.

Locals and people traveling with the visiting teams also filled the bleachers.

Johnson said he was excited to compete in the tournament.

“It’s always good to have the support of the students and the community,” he said.

Cindy Dougharity-Spencer, who assists the Grant Union wrestling team, announced an award named after her late father at the close of the day.

The Mick Dougharity Outstanding Wrestler of the Tournament was given to Cord Flynn of Heppner.

Dougharity-Spencer said Flynn won the award not only because he is a great wrestler.

“He also contributes to little kids wrestling, which my dad was passionate about,” she said.

The Grant Union junior high wrestling team, led by head coach Jake Batease, simultaneously held their own round-robin tournament.

Visitors to the junior high tournament included: Joseph, Imbler, Echo, Pine Eagle, Heppner, Irrigon and Elgin.

“The junior high team is quite young,” Lusco said. “We have eight who had never wrestled before; this was



The Eagle photos/Angel Carpenter
Grant Union Prospector Jay Goldblatt places his Baker Bulldog opponent in a bind at the Grant Union Tournament in John Day.



Coaches, teammates and fans cheer as Drew Lusco turns his match around against a Hermiston opponent.

a great result for our junior high wrestlers in their first meet of the year.”

Coach Lusco said running the tournament is quite an undertaking, but it’s an opportunity for the wrestlers compete in a lot of matches.

He noted Chester’s Thriftway provided a hospitality room for the visiting teams.

“Community-wise we

have a lot of support,” he said.

Grant Union will next travel to Burns for the Burns-Crane Duals on Tuesday. They host Enterprise for an intermission dual at 3 p.m. Friday.

“Our big goal is to win district and send a bunch of kids to state, and that is well within our reach,” he said.

Varsity team results

- 1. Grant Union/Prairie City, 135.5
- 2. Baker/Powder Valley, 97.5
- 3. Heppner/Ione, 68.0
- 4. Irrigon, 68.0
- 5. Hermiston, 55.0
- 6. Union/Cove, 38.0
- 7. Echo/Stamfield, 34.0
- 8. Joseph, 29.0
- 9. Elgin, 28.5
- 10. Imbler, 26.0

Grant Union individual records

High School

- 106 Eli Sheedy 4-1
- 113 Jesse Paulson 2-2
- 113 Airron Glimpse 3-0
- 126 Braden Spencer 3-1
- 126 Damion Young 2-2
- 126 Nate Hodge 0-4
- 138 Clay Johnson 3-0
- 138 Jay Goldblatt 2-2
- 145 James Mabe 3-2
- 152 Eli Carniglia 3-2
- 170 Russell Hodge 3-0
- 182 Hadley Boethin 2-3
- 220 Elijah Humbird 2-0
- 285 Drew Lusco 3-1

Junior High

- Arionna Young 2-1
- Jack Strong 2-3
- Sam McCracken 2-1
- Krystle Douglass 1-1
- Dan Hall 0-4
- Tanner Way 2-2
- Ethan Moore 1-3
- Eli Wright 4-0
- Bladen Burrill 3-1
- Kevin Duvall 2-2
- Eithen Hatfield 1-3
- Ben Henry 3-2
- Justin Hodge 4-1
- Preston Boethin 2-3
- Trenton Winegar 1-3
- Quinten Hallgarth 4-0

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The Tigers trailed 9-8 in the first quarter and were behind 15-14 in the second.

Player Hayden Schafer

said they had a good pep talk during halftime.

“We never gave up,” he said. “We had a rough first half, but thanks to our coaches, they pumped us up and gave us confidence.”

The home team came out

strong, leading in the third, 32-28.

In the final minute of play, the Lopes came within two points of the Tigers after Adrian went to the free-throw line three times, hitting 3-6.

With just 37 seconds to

go, a jump ball went the Tigers’ way. Then Tiger Tanner Walczyk went 2-2 at the free-throw line.

Adrian overshot the ball in a final attempt at three points.

“They’re a good team, but we’re better,” Walczyk said.

ROUNDUP

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“They have 10 to 12 girls, and they know what to do,” Workman said. “They’re well coached.”

He said the game against Burnt River went well with shots falling.

“They’re starting to get a little more aggressive on defense,” he said. “We’re getting more scoring throughout the team.”

In Harper, Workman said his team again played more aggressive defense.

“The first quarter was kind of rough, playing in another gym. Then they got lined out,” he said. “They were more patient and disciplined on offense and defense.”

He expects this weekend’s games against Monument/Dayville and Jordan Valley will be challenging, and said they’re preparing a game plan.

“Both are going to be tough,” Workman said.

The Lady Panthers host Monument/Dayville on Friday at 6 p.m., followed by the boys at 7:30 p.m. The junior varsity girls will play a half game at 5:15 p.m.

The Prairie City girls host

Jordan Valley on Saturday at 3 p.m., followed by the boys at 4:30 p.m., and junior varsity half games start at 1:30 p.m.

Prairie City girls stats vs. Adrian

Cassie Hire: 7 points
Rilee Emmel: 6
Brianna Zweggard: 4
Hailee Wall: 4
Hayley Pfefferkorn 2
Sarah Ennis: 2

Prairie City girls stats vs. Burnt River

Zweggard: 14
Hire: 14
Hailee Wall: 6
Lindsay Wall: 4
Sarah Ennis: 3
MaKenzie Jones: 2
Megan Camarena: 2
Emmel: 2

Prairie City girls stats vs. Harper

Zweggard: 23
Hire: 13
Emily Ennis: 6
Sarah Ennis: 6
Jones: 2

Grant Union boys fall short to Imbler in second half

The Grant Union boys basketball team stayed shoulder to shoulder with the Imbler Panthers through most of Friday’s road game, but the Prospectors fell 48-35.

“It was a very exciting and great game,” said Grant Union head coach Kelsy Wright.

“Both ball clubs played well.”

Imbler is not only at the top of the Wapiti League, but also No. 1 in the state for 2A teams.

“They’re a pretty physical and solid team — very disciplined,” Wright said. “We actually played well against them. It was a two-possession game the whole game.”

At the half Grant Union was ahead 19-16.

Later, with two minutes left in the game, Imbler was ahead by four, then jumped further ahead for the win.

“I was very happy and pleased with the way the boys played,” Wright said of his team. “We were competitive right towards the end.”

Now Grant Union prepares for another big game Friday when they host the Enterprise Outlaws.

“We’ll be preparing for Enterprise, for sure. They play a pretty big 2-3 zone,” Wright said, adding the Enterprise boys are taller on average than Grant Union.

He said Imbler recently beat Enterprise by only one point, so Friday’s game was good preparation for what’s ahead.

The Prospectors will also host Elgin on Saturday, and though the Huskies have not

won a league game this season, Wright said they’ll prepare for the game.

“You can’t underestimate your opponent,” he said. “Anything can happen.”

The Grant Union boys host Enterprise Friday at 7:30 p.m., the girls playing at 6 p.m. and junior varsity games starting at 3 p.m.

They host Elgin Saturday at 5:30 p.m., the girls playing at 4 p.m. and junior varsity games starting at 1 p.m.

Grant Union boys stats vs. Imbler

Zack Deiter: 11 points
Duane Stokes: 11
Cole Deiter: 4
Cauy Weaver: 4
Kellen Shelley: 4
Ty McDaniel: 3

Lady Prospectors fall by 2 in Imbler

The Grant Union girls bas-

ketball team lost 34-32 to a talented Imbler team on the road Friday.

The Lady Prospectors struggled at the start, but gained ground in the second half, making it a close game.

“We started slow, but we were actually getting good looks offensively, but shots would not fall,” said Grant Union head coach Mark Mosley. “Imbler’s key to having success was their size inside.”

He said some adjustments at the half helped them get back into the game, and Grant Union took a one-point lead late in the fourth.

The game was tied 32-32 with 28 seconds left. Then Imbler hit a couple free throws.

Grant Union drove the court with about five seconds in the game, but the shot wouldn’t fall.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday, Jan. 27

Grant Union wrestling hosts Intermission Dual with Enterprise, 3 p.m.

Prairie City basketball vs. Monument/Dayville, girls at 6 p.m., boys at 7:30 p.m. (JV girls half game at 5:15 p.m.)

Grant Union basketball vs. Enterprise, girls game at 6 p.m., boys at 7:30 p.m. (JV games start at 3 p.m.)

Saturday, Jan. 28

Grant Union wrestling at Bank of Eastern Oregon Tournament in Heppner, 10 a.m.

Prairie City basketball vs. Jordan Valley, girls at 3 p.m., boys at 4:30 p.m. (JV half games start at 1:30 p.m.)

Monument/Dayville basketball vs. Crane in Dayville, girls at 2 p.m., boys at 3:30 p.m.

Grant Union basketball vs. Elgin, girls at 4 p.m., boys at 5:30 (JV games start at 1 p.m.)

Tuesday, Jan. 31

Monument/Dayville basketball vs. Prairie City in Monument, girls at 6 p.m., boys at 7:30 p.m. (JV girls half game starts at 5:15 p.m.)

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