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Grant Union's Tiana Allen putts the ball at Friday's invitational in John Day, surrounded by, from left, Saralyn Dalton of Nyssa, Sophie Grant of Heppner, Addison Phillips of Vale and Gaby Gibbons of Burns.

## Lady Pros sweep the Cougars

Grant Union girls are 11-1 in nonleague play

By Angel Carpenter  
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Grant Union Prospector softball player Mariah Moulton put her stamp on game two of Saturday's doubleheader against the Echo/Stanford Cougars when she hit a walk-off, two-run homer for the 13-2 win.

The Prospectors also won the first game, 9-3, in the sweep at Seventh Street Complex in John Day.

"We played a lot better in the first game than the second, but overall getting a couple wins, and hitting the ball that well ... we picked it up," said Grant Union head coach DeAnna Nash.

Grant Union's Cody Jo Madden was in the circle for six innings in game one, with Moulton closing in the seventh inning.

The Prospectors had 16 hits and two walks, and the Cougars had seven hits, with four batters striking out and one walk.

"Overall, we hit well throughout the lineup and played sound defense," Nash said. "Everyone who batted had at least one hit."

Ravyn Walker, Brianna Zwegardt, Marissa Smith and Natalie Stearns each had two hits, and Hailie Wright had three hits. Walker had two doubles, and Zwegardt and Bailey Moss each had one double.

In game two, the Prospectors and Cougars were tied 2-2 in the top of the fifth. Grant Union gained offensive momentum in the bottom of the inning.

After gaining five runs, Grant Union loaded the bases, when Whitney McClellan hit a double, scoring Marissa Smith and Natalie Stearns. Then Moulton's home run ended the game with the 10-run rule.

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# EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS

Grant Union girl golfers place second at home tourney



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Grant Union's Duane Stokes at Friday's invitational.

## Allen, Stokes place third individually

By Angel Carpenter  
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The Grant Union Prospector girls golf team placed second at Friday's GUHS Invitational held at the John Day Golf Club.

This is the first time in years that Grant Union

has fielded a full girls golf team. Prospector head coach Ron Lundbom said it was in the mid to late 1990s that the school last had a complete girls team.

Seven teams attended the tournament with 70 boys and girls competing on the par 71 course.

Grant Union's Tiana Allen helped with the team's success, placing third individually among the girls at 114.

Allen said it's exciting

to have a full varsity girls team.

"We played pretty well overall," she said. "It was fun to communicate with the other girls and see what the competition will be like for districts, seeing what kind of chance we have against the other teams."

Prospector Duane Stokes placed third for the boys with an 86.

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**'It was a great day for girls golf at GU. It was their first 18-hole match on a very challenging day to play golf. The kids exceeded my expectations for their first 18 holes in these conditions, and I'm very proud of them.'**

Ron Lundbom  
Grant Union Prospectors head golf coach



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Grant Union pitcher Cody Jo Madden is credited with Saturday's two-game sweep over Echo/Stanford.

## GRANT COUNTY SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Daniel Henry finishes first at Bunny Hop 5K

Daniel Henry of Mt. Vernon was the big winner at Dayville's Bunny Hop 5K Saturday.

Not only did he finish first in the youth division, ages 0-13, Henry posted the fastest overall time at 24:45. He also won a special \$50 prize in honor of Buddy the Elk who participated in last year's race.

Thirty-five racers participated this year on the course from South Fork Road to Dayville City Park. Emma Winkelman was the chairperson for the event, which raises funds for Dayville community happenings.

**MEN**  
0-13  
First: Daniel Henry (24:45), Mt. Vernon  
Second: Grant David Hall (24:59), Dayville

14-26  
First: Justin Larson (54:38), Dayville

27-49  
First: Nathaniel Ashley (54:42), Dayville  
Second: Taylor Schmadeka (54:43), Dayville

50+  
First: Ed Winkelman (46:50), Dayville  
Second: Randy Hubbard, Dayville

**WOMEN**  
0-13  
First: Amelia Hall (30:13), John Day  
Second: Everleigh Schmadeka (54:43), Dayville

14-26



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**Daniel Henry of Mt. Vernon wins the \$50 Buddy the Elk Award at Saturday's Dayville Bunny Hop 5K for being the first in the 0-13 age division to cross the finish line. He also won the event overall with a time of 24:45.**

27-49  
First: Sandra Gladish (30:39), Dayville  
Second: Alicia Hall (33:02), John Day

50+  
First: Cheryl Hubbard (33:07), Dayville  
Second: Jody Winkelman (48:44), Dayville

### Ranchers Invitational brings out the best in athletes

Monument, Long Creek and Prairie City track teams competed through wind and snow at Friday's Ranchers Invitational in Crane.

The Monument girls earned second place out of 12 teams, and the Long Creek boys finished fifth out of 12.

Despite the chilly weather, it turned out to be a great day for several Grant County athletes to break records, including the Monument girls 4x100-meter relay team and the Long Creek boys 4x100 team.

The Monument relay team, which includes Kyla Emerson, Sophie Pettit, Aubrey Bowlus and Faythe Schafer, won first place with a time of 55.95, a full 7 seconds ahead of the second-place team from Mitchell-Spray.

"They simply did everything right," Monument head coach Darrin Dailey said. "... They knew they were in the lead from the very beginning and didn't let up an ounce."

He said the time ranks them first in the district and seventh in the state.

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## Prospectors fall to Rockets twice in baseball doubleheader

Grant Union travels to Moro for doubleheader Saturday

By Angel Carpenter  
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It was a tough day for the Grant Union Prospectors as they hosted league opponents the Pilot Rock/Nixyaawii Rockets Saturday in a baseball doubleheader.

The Rockets took a 7-0 win in game one and 8-2 in game two.

Grant Union head coach Dusty Williams said his team is young, but improving.

"We played better today than we have," he said. "We need to cut down on the errors."

In game two, Grant Union stayed up 1-0 through the top of the fifth inning. Then the Rockets launched ahead with five runs to finish the inning.

Pilot Rock gained three more runs in the sixth. Grant Union tried to overcome the deficit in the seventh, loading the bases, and scoring one run on Zack Deiter's double. However, the



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Grant Union first baseman Wade Reimers attempts to make it back to first. Second baseman Jesse Paulson is in back.

Rocket pitcher made the outs to end the game.

Pitchers for Grant Union included Deiter, Billy Copenhaver, Warner Robertson and Cameron Hallgarth.

Williams credited the Rockets as a good team that hits the ball well.

The Prospectors were scheduled to play league opponent Elgin on the road Tuesday.

The Prospectors will travel to Moro Saturday for a doubleheader starting at 11 a.m. against Sherman/Arlington/Condon.