

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Prospectors overtake TigerScots in Athena

The Grant Union Prospectors had a strong showing for their first football game of the season Friday with a 26-8 victory on the road in Athena.

"First game was good minus the first-game mistakes," said Grant Union head coach Jason Miller. "Penalties and turnovers slowed us down on offense. When we eliminated those, we scored."

Grant Union scored the first touchdown of the game in the second quarter, and they led 12-0 in the third.

Both the Prospectors and TigerScots scored eight points in the final quarter.

Grant Union had 320 total yards to Weston-McEwen's 230.

"Defense played well and tackled well," Miller said. "Weston-McEwen is a quality opponent and will do well this year."

The Prospectors will host the Heppner Mustangs at 7 p.m. Friday at Three Flags Field in John Day.

Heppner was shutout 0-40

by St. Paul in the Mustang's first game of the season last week.

Grant Union volleyball on a roll

Grant Union is starting the season undefeated, 7-0, winning every set, in bracket play, in their first two tournaments of the season.

The Lady Prospectors crushed the competition at Saturday's Heppner Tournament.

Grant Union head coach Shae Speth said her team overcame mistakes they made early on.

"We minimized those errors and played pretty fundamentally sound, while staying mentally focused," she said.

Grant Union was seeded No. 1 in bracket play. They beat Crane 25-6 and 25-6 and Imbler 25-21 and 25-10.

Facing Weston-McEwen in the final match, Grant Union stayed on top with scores of 25-9 and 25-7.

She noted Mariah Moulton, Sydney Brockway and Whitney McClellan each had several long serving runs

throughout the day. "We were solid on serve-serve, which allowed us to run a quicker offense," Speth said. "Our defense was more disciplined, both on the net and in the back row."

Grant Union's junior varsity team also played competitively at the Heppner Tournament, Speth said, noting they filled in for a varsity team that couldn't attend.

The Lady Prospectors will travel on Saturday to the Reedsport Tournament.

Speth said the participating team are all strong and she expects they will each present a challenge at state.

Grant Union's Dig Pink games are set for Saturday, Sept. 23, against Enterprise and Elgin.

In action earlier this season, Grant Union wrangled the Crane Mustangs on Aug. 25 for a 3-0 win at the Prospector court.

Grant Union won with scores of 25-14, 25-9 and 25-7.

"We had a bit of a rough start," Speth said, adding her team soon "returned to fundamental volleyball and executed pretty well both offensively and defensively."

TEAM

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gets along really good. We've all improved on our serves and hitting, so that will be what helps us win the game."

Schafer added her thoughts about the team.

"I'm excited because we're a young team and excited about the future because of the skills that are moving up," she said. "Our chemistry is growing."

The Tigers will face seven opponents in the 1A High Desert League, including: Prairie City, Adrian, Jordan Valley, Crane, Burnt River, Harper and Huntington.

"I think the league is going to be pretty tough this year," coach Emerson said. "We'll take what comes to us. The girls have played against these teams for three to four years, and even throughout middle school."

She added, "There are a lot of good athletes out there. I think Prairie City will be a good, strong team this year."

The coaches are focused on covering the basics, including hitting, setting and blocking, as well as conditioning.

She said she's looking forward to the season, and an honest and open line of communication is one aspect that will make it a successful season.

"I care about all the girls," she said. "I hope they have fun and do their best."



The Eagle/Angel Carpenter

Monument/Dayville Tiger Kyla Emerson is ready for action at the Aug. 26 Grant Union Tournament.

2017 Monument/Dayville volleyball schedule

- Sept. 6: @ Grant Union, 5 p.m.
- Sept. 8: vs. Harper in Dayville, 4 p.m.
- Sept. 16: @ North Powder Tournament, 8 a.m.
- Sept. 19: @ Mitchell/Spray in Spray, 5 p.m.
- Sept. 23: @ Crane Tournament, TBD
- Sept. 29: vs. Condon/Wheeler in Dayville, 5 p.m.
- Sept. 30: vs. Prairie City in Monument, 4 p.m.
- Sept. 30: vs. Burnt River in Monument, 5:30 p.m.
- Oct. 3: vs. Mitchell/Spray in Dayville, 5 p.m.
- Oct. 4: vs. Grant Union in Dayville, 5 p.m.
- Oct. 7: vs. Adrian JV in Monument, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 14: @ South Wasco, 11 a.m.
- Oct. 14: @ Trinity Lutheran in South Wasco, 1 p.m.
- Oct. 16: @ Crane, 6 p.m.
- Oct. 20: vs. South Wasco in Monument, 2 p.m.
- Oct. 21: @ district tournament in John Day, TBD

A Round For Kenya golf tourney on tap

Blue Mountain Eagle

The "A Round For Kenya" golf tournament is set for 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept 16, at the John Day Golf Club.

The golf scramble will benefit Canyon City resident Aaron Kienzle's mission trip to Maua and Meru, Kenya.

Kienzle and the United Methodist group he's traveling with will work on a variety of projects. Funds will support building an AIDS Orphan

House, building a new classroom and purchasing medication.

Kienzle said his parents have been to Kenya six times, and he's excited to join them this time.

"I'm excited about going to Africa and experiencing the culture and animals of course but am nervous about the mission part of it," he said. "This will be my first mission trip so it will be a new experience for me for sure."

Players will compete on four-member teams. The cost is \$60 per person, which includes green fees and a cart. Payment is due at registration.

A hamburger feed, by donation, will be held after the scramble. To register or for more information, contact Kienzle at 541-620-4435.

For more information, visit [gofundme.com/orid-kenya-mission-team-2017](http://gofundme.com/orid-kenya-mission-team-2017).

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The Blue Mountain Eagle, a family-owned weekly newspaper in a stunningly beautiful Oregon community, seeks an energetic, dedicated reporter.

The Eagle is located in John Day, where seeing deer in front yards is normal and traffic is unheard of, just three hours from Bend and Pendleton. Surrounded by scenic forests and dissected by mountain streams, the location offers year-round recreational opportunities, including fishing, hunting, backpacking, camping, snowmobiling and horseback riding.

Despite the picturesque environment, the community is at the center of an evolving natural resource restoration economy, which gains statewide and even national attention.

Despite the small-town charm, the residents are engaged and politically active in local and national debates, and hard-hitting stories are never hard to find. Ongoing topics include state and federal policies, forest health, logging, public lands grazing, water supply, wildlife habitat improvements and wildfire resilience, in addition to coverage of small-town life and local government. The position offers a wealth of breaking news and enterprise opportunities.

Serving the community for 146 years, the Eagle is the oldest weekly newspaper in Oregon and is part of EO Media Group, an award-winning and innovative news organization with an active family of owners. This position offers excellent advancement opportunities in a company that prefers to hire from within. EO Media Group owns 11 newspapers and 17 websites that provide accurate, fair and timely reporting about the people and issues impacting the communities we serve in the Pacific Northwest, reflecting the responsibility and spirit of a free press.

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**NPRA Rodeo**

**Friday-Saturday, Sept. 8-9**  
**6 p.m., Grant County Fairgrounds**  
**General Admission: \$10**  
**Seniors 1/2 price, 5 & under free.**  
**Pre-sale tickets save \$2.**  
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