

FOOTBALL

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The score 38-6, Grant Union fumbled the ball on their next possession.

Prospector Drew Lusco went for revenge, sacking the Heppner quarterback.

Hadley Boethin also had a sack in the first half.

Although they didn't score again, Heppner came alive after the halftime break.

The Mustangs moved the ball into the red zone. Hallgarth interrupted their march, picking up a fumble.

Messy play on both sides ended the quarter with a series of interceptions and a fumble.

Grant Union's Cauy Weaver made the final touchdown of the game.

"It was great that we could finally beat Heppner," Stokes said. "I thought we had an amazing first quarter, and after that there are a couple things to work on."

Reimers was also pleased with the outcome.

"I'm glad we beat Heppner for the first time in eight years," he said. "That was a huge accomplishment for our goal."

Miller said he was proud of his team's effort, including defense only allowing six points.

"The kids played hard in the first, and they kind of let up because they thought the game was in hand," he said. "We've got to work on that, but overall the kids played hard."

Grant Union's success at home follows their 26-8 win on Sept. 1 over Weston-McEwen, on the road in Athena.

The Prospectors will face the Stanfield Tigers on the road at 7 p.m. next Friday.



Grant Union Prospector Cauy Weaver catches a long pass in Friday's game against Heppner.

Eagle photos/Angel Carpenter



Grant Union Prospector Taylor Hunt (27), in center, tackles Heppner's Coby Dougherty (24) with help from Cameron Hallgarth (28) with Hadley Boethin (73), back left, and Garrett Lenz (2) in the action.



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Long Creek/Ukiah's Gladys Johnson keeps the ball in play in Saturday's game against Harper.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Blue Mountain Eagle

Lady Pros battle for win at Reedsport tourney

The Grant Union Prospector volleyball team played aggressively for Saturday's championship win at the Reedsport Les Schwab Invitational Tournament.

Prospector Whitney McClellan said they faced tough teams.

"It really showed us what we can do, because we played a lot of hard competition," she said. "We'll probably see a lot of those teams down the road, so it was good to see them pre-season."

Grant Union lost one set to St. Paul before battling back to win the match 2-1 with scores of 25-23, 25-17 and 15-13.

The Prospectors beat Central Linn with scores of 25-21 and 26-24 in the semi-finals, and then met up with Weston-McEwen for the championship.

"This is the third weekend in a row that we have faced Weston-McEwen at a tournament," said Grant Union head coach Shae Speth. "After winning a close first set, we put a lot more pressure on them by serving strong and being aggressive offensively."

She added Mariah Moulton played well offensively and defensively with very few errors.

All three of Grant Union's opponents are currently ranked in the top five in state.

"I was very proud of the girls with the lineup changes we needed to make, and for staying mentally focused throughout the day," she said.

On Sept. 5, Grant Union lost 2-3 to Culver at the Prospector court. The Bulldogs won with scores of 27-25, 19-25, 25-12, 21-25 and 16-14.

Grant Union setter Hailie Wright injured her shoulder during the second set, diving to save a ball. She's expected to be out for at least two weeks.

Alcie Moore stepped in for Wright, and the team battled back to win that second set but couldn't pull out the win.

"We knew this would be a tough match, as Culver is always a strong team," Speth said. "I was proud of the girls for facing adversity with lineup changes, and in continuing to compete for the match."

**Grant Union stats vs. Culver:**  
 Mariah Moulton: led with 13 kills; 14 digs  
 Kaylee Wright: 11 kills; 2 solo blocks  
 Sydney Brockway: 8 kills; 14 digs; 3 aces  
 Whitney McClellan: 12 digs  
 Alcie Moore: 11 digs  
 Trinity Hutchison: 7 kills; 2 solo blocks, 5 block assists  
 Reagan Shelley: 2 kills; 4 block assists

Long Creek/Ukiah places second at Harper Tournament

In their first games of the year, the Long Creek/Ukiah Mountaineers climbed to a second-place finish at Saturday's Harper Tournament.

The Mountaineers, a junior varsity team, have five returning starters, and others are new to the sport.

Long Creek/Ukiah won their first set in pool play 25-22 over Huntington, then took an 18-25 loss to Harper.

After beating Burnt River 25-18, the Mountaineers took a 1-2 loss to Harper.

Harper won the tournament, with Long Creek/Ukiah second. "The girls were excited," said Long Creek/Ukiah co-coach Linda Studtmann. "Some of them were nervous. For some, it was their first game ever."

She said all the girls had some playing time throughout the day.

Studtmann, who coaches with Reagan Enriquez, said the players are learning quickly how to play the game and work as a team.

"We are looking forward to a great year," Studtmann said.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday, Sept. 15

Grant Union volleyball @ Baker Invitational Tournament in Baker City at 9 a.m.

Grant Union football @ Stanfield at 7 p.m.

Prairie City volleyball vs. Burnt River in Prairie City at 4 p.m.

Monument/Dayville volleyball vs. Huntington at 4 p.m., Long Creek/Ukiah JV at 5:30 p.m. in Monument

Saturday, Sept. 16

Monument/Dayville and Prairie City volleyball @ North Powder Jamboree in North Powder at 8 a.m.

Monument/Dayville football @ Huntington in North Powder at 7 p.m.

Prairie City football @ Joseph in North Powder at 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 19

Grant Union volleyball @ Burns at 4 p.m.

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**HOT SHOT**  
 OF THE WEEK

**WHITNEY MCCLELLAN**  
**School:** Grant Union  
**Grade:** Senior  
**Parents:** Debby and Ryan McClellan  
**Sport:** Volleyball  
**Position:** Libero

**What I like best about my sport:** "I like the speed of the game, and I really enjoy the team unity."

**Coach's Comment:** "Whitney put in a lot of extra time and work in the off season to improve her serving, passing and defense. By improving her own skills, she has made the entire team much better as well. What I am most proud of though, is Whitney's leadership both on and off the court. She has become much more vocal on the court, and is always positive and encouraging to her teammates."  
 -Coach Shae Speth

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Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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Dinner will be served from 4-7 p.m.

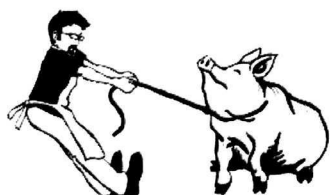
Raffle will begin at 6 p.m.

Silent Auction Items as well!

Dinner Tickets:

\$15 for adults or \$7 for 12 and under

Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, and Beverages



Raffle Tickets:

\$1 each or 6 for \$5

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Prizes available to view at the Pavilion beginning at 11 a.m. on the 7th

Contact Lisa Holland for more information: 541-515-1327 or 541-620-8434

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Panthers face adversity in loss to Pine Eagle Spartans

Blue Mountain Eagle

The Prairie City Panther football squad fought to the bitter end Friday night at their home field, losing 102-0 to the Pine Eagle Spartans.

Prairie City lost a starting player to injury on the first play of the game.

"It went downhill from there," said Panther head coach Nate Barber, adding they were down to just eight players — in eight-man football — near the end.

The score at halftime was 45-0.

When a game reaches 45-0, after halftime, the running

clock starts, and the game is played to the end, unless injuries make "calling the game" a necessity.

"I was proud of the kids who decided to play for pride and didn't quit," Barber said.

Prairie City will face the Joseph Eagles at 1 p.m. Saturday in North Powder.

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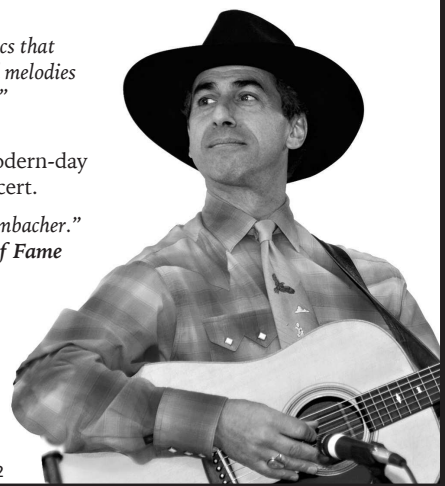
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The concert is free and open to the public.

The Juniper Arts Council will accept donations for its scholarship fund.

In 2017, the JAC gave three \$500 scholarships to Grant County graduates.



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