Sports

Prairie City Lady Panthers buzz Hornets

Prairie City ended their homecoming week on a positive note Friday, the Lady Panthers volleyball team sweeping the Hornets.

The Panthers won with scores of 25-7, 25-13 and 25-8. The event was also an op-

portunity for the team and spectators to support local cancer patients.

Prairie City senior player Brianna Zweygardt raised \$1,500 in donations which will give financial aid to cancer patients at Blue Mountain Hospi-

The fundraising effort was a part of Brianna's senior project.

"It was a challenging project but worth it in the end," Brianna said. "I'm glad I am able to support the financial aid for cancer patients at the Blue Mountain Hospital. I would like to thank all the businesses for their generous donations to my raffle baskets, and all the people who bought raffle tickets and T-shirts.'

Prairie City coach Louanne Zweygardt said the team's strong passing allowed them to execute their attacks effective-

"Both the JV and varsity played very well, serving strong and keeping the intensity up," the coach said. "Hailee Wall had six aces, and the team as a whole aced at 33 percent and had a 47 percent kill rate."

The Panthers continued their success the following day at the Crane Tournament.

Prairie City beat Jordan Valley 25-22 and 25-17 in the semifinals.

The Panthers then fell to Crane in the finals.

The first two sets were close, Prairie City winning the first 25-22 and Crane winning the second 25-21. Crane won the final set 15-9 for the tournament title.

"The Crane tournament was a good experience for us, playing Jordan Valley for the first time this season, and matching up with Crane again," the coach said.

Prairie City had a 90 percent serving rate against Jordan Valley, with strong passing and a 29 percent rate killing the ball.

Zweygardt said their passing and serve-receive against Crane wasn't as successful, but Sports Roundup



Prairie City Panther Mariah McClung is on the ball against Harper at Friday's homecoming match at the Prairie City gym.

the team played the net well.

"Sierra Dahlen had five aces out of 19 serves, and Brianna had 10 kills," Zweygardt said. "We were pleased with how hard the team worked and are looking forward to meeting Crane again."

Prairie City, Jordan Valley and Crane are in the High Desert League; however, the tournament games were considered nonleague.

The Panthers are on the road to Burns on Wednesday, facing the Hilanders at 4 p.m. for junior varsity and varsity games.

Prairie City will host Long Creek/Ukiah Thursday at 4:30 p.m. for a junior varsity match.

On Friday, the Panthers travel to Huntington for junior varsity and varsity matches, starting at 2 p.m. PT, and Saturday they travel to Monument for matches starting at 2 p.m.

Monument/ **Dayville claims** volleyball victory in Spray

The Monument/Dayville Tigers volleyball team was quick on their toes, sweeping Mitchell/Spray on Tuesday, Sept. 19, in Spray.

The Tigers won with scores

of 25-13, 25-13 and 25-16.

Tiger head coach Kristi Emerson said after a slow start, the team warmed up and played

'Our girls had very good serves," she said. "They had lots of good plays, and they played the net very well.'

Monument/Dayville traveled to the Crane Tournament on Saturday where they won two and lost two in pool play.

North Lake won a couple tight sets over the Tigers in bracket play, 27-25 and 25-17.

"We had a lot of fun," Emerson said. "The girls learned a lot, and we need to fix our mistakes.

She noted they had some trouble with serves and cover-

"We'll iron those out this week," she said.

The Tigers hosted Mitchell/ Spray in Dayville Tuesday, past press time.

They host Condon/Wheeler at 5 p.m. Friday in Dayville.

On Saturday, at the Monument court, the Tigers host Prairie City at 2 p.m. and Burnt River at 4 p.m.

"We're not going to take anything for granted this week

and play to our full potential," Emerson said. "Prairie City is definitely going to be tough, so we're going to switch it up for that, and we hope to come out victorious."

Tigers score two TDs in loss to Rattlers

The Monument/Dayville Tiger eight-man football team suffered a 60-16 loss Thursday to Mitchell/Spray/ Wheeler, hosting the Rattlers in Dayville.

Tiger head coach Nathaniel Ashley said his team played well, but they need to work on consistency and improving tackling.

The Rattlers team, coached by Jerry Anderson, includes four seniors and eight juniors, while the Tigers have four upperclassmen.

"We are a young team, so we are learning a lot with each game," Ashley said. "We will take what we learned from that game and be better this week against Harper."

Monument/Dayville hosts the Harper Hornets at 1 p.m. Friday in Dayville.

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