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eight aces on 15 serving attempts for the day. The team amassed 23 aces, giving up only one serve-receive error, the coach said.

Senior Mariah Moulton led Grant Union with 15 kills — “a terrific hitting day,” Speth said.

The team focused on maintaining a quick, efficient offense and playing “our game,” the coach said.

“We are looking forward to the challenges of state tournament, and feel we are in a great position to compete for a state title,” Speth said.

Myrtle Point head coach Tami Brown said her team was hampered by injuries late in the season but was able to battle back to make it to the first round.

“We knew, obviously, that it was going to be a tough match — they’re second in state,” she said, referring to Grant Union.

Grant Union senior Trinity Hutchison said the team is excited to move on to the Final 8.



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Grant Union Prospector Sydney Brockway sends the ball over the reach of Myrtle Point.

“We worked hard all year for this, and I think this year we have quite the shot at winning the state championship,” she said.

Prospector junior Hailie Wright said they played well as a team. McClellan said that’s how the team stays on

top of its game. “We all get along really well, and we trust and believe in each other,” McClellan said. “We’re a really good, compact and strong team.”

Moving on to the championship tournament, Grant Union takes on the Monroe Dragons at 10 a.m. Friday in Redmond.

The Prospectors have a 26-1 overall record and are ranked No. 2 in state. Monroe has a 22-6 overall record and is ranked No. 9.

Grant Union vs. Myrtle Point
 Mariah Moulton: 15 kills (with 1 error on 26 attempts); 1 ace; 100 percent serve-receive; 5 digs
 Trinity Hutchison: 3 kills; 3 solo blocks
 Taylor Allen: 5 aces; 2 digs
 Hailie Wright: 4 kills; 1 ace; 6 digs
 Sydney Brockway: 6 kills; 1 ace; 100 percent serve-receive; 3 digs
 Whitney McClellan: 8 aces (on 15 serving attempts); 6 digs
 Kaylee Wright: 5 kills; 6 aces; 3 digs



Grant Union outside hitter Mariah Moulton spikes the ball in the state playoff game.



Grant Union Prospectors Trinity Hutchison (5) and Reagan Shelley go up for a block against Myrtle Point.

the corner's
HOT SHOT
 OF THE WEEK

BROOKE HARRISON
School: Ukiah/Long Creek
Grade: 10
Parent: Mary and Travis Stroe
Sport: Volleyball

What I like best about my sport: “I enjoy making a team together and playing my hardest to do my best and make sure my team enjoys the season.”

Coach’s Comment: “This is Brooke’s second year playing for ULC. Her dedication and positive attitude make her a valuable player. Brooke always gives 110 percent at practice and during games. She is an encourager and tries to help her team in any way she can.”
 -Coaches Reagan Enriquez and Linda Studtmann

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was very happy with how we came out in the second half and played up until the injury,” he said.

Tiger Donovan Schafer, who scored a touchdown in the first quarter on a pass reception from Hand, scored another in the third with Hand scoring the two-point conversion. This brought the score to 34-14, the Panthers leading.

On the Prairie City’s next possession, Monument/Dayville recovered a fumble at the Tiger 20-yard line. After a false start penalty on the Tigers, the Panthers pushed to score on a safety.

Prairie City’s Syd Holman scored again on the Panther’s next drive, and the Tigers held the line, preventing the extra points.

With 1:40 left in the third, the score of 40-14 held for the remainder of the game.

It was a building year for both teams. Friday’s win was the first of the season for Prairie City. Although Monument/Dayville didn’t win any games this season, they did score 100 points in five games.

Prairie City head coach Nate Barber said he was impressed with his team’s effort



The Eagle/Angel Carpenter

Monument/Dayville Tiger quarterback JT Hand goes long rushing the ball in Friday’s game against the Prairie City Panthers in Monument.

on Friday.

“It was a tough end, but hopefully the guys see what we can do when we pay attention to detail, stay disciplined and the things that are possible when they play together, because it definitely has to be a team win,” Barber said. “Our defense really stepped up, and offense — we ran the ball pretty good — and our blocking was much better.

Overall, everything was better.”

Ashley said his team also showed improvement.

“We had a great season,” he said. “With as young and little experience as we started the year with, we learned a lot and got better all the way through the year. That’s all we can ask for as coaches.”

Prairie City
 Syd Holman: 2 rushing touchdowns

Jojari Field: 1 rushing TD, 1 receiving TD, 1 sack, 2 tackles for loss
 Connor Jones: 1 rushing TD, extra point conversion
 Jake McHatton: 1 rushing extra point, 3 sacks
 Danner Davis: 5 sacks, 2 tackles for loss
 Jayden: 8 of 13 completed passes for 132 yards, 1 touchdown
 Defense: 3 safeties

Monument/Dayville
 Donovan Schafer: 1 receiving TD, 1 rushing TD
 Rico Sparka: 2-point conversion

Michael Rushton, DPM
 Podiatric Physician & Surgeon

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