



**Grant Union Prospector quarterback Wade Reimers finds space to run in Saturday's state playoff game against Central Linn.**

**FOOTBALL**

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Stokes said the game was a little rough, but they got the job done.

"If we keep working hard and keep our eyes on the prize, we should be able to go all the way," he said.

Grant Union linebacker Elijah Humbird said he was pleased with the game.

"Our defense did re-

ally well, holding them to zero," he said. "Hopefully, it carries on to this week, and I'm feeling very excited."

Grant Union racked up 240 rushing yards, averaging 6.7 yards per carry, while Central Linn had 105 rushing yards, 2.8 per carry.

In passing, the Grant Union had 158 yards, averaging 12.2 per pass, to their opponents' 37.

Grant Union lost two fumbles and Central Linn

lost one. The Prospectors were 75 percent on their fourth-down efficiency.

Now Grant Union — 8-1, its only loss coming to 3A Burns — prepares to face a more evenly matched team. The fourth-ranked Prospectors will host the fifth-ranked Santiam Wolverines at 1 p.m. Saturday in John Day.

Santiam shut out 12th-ranked Reedsport 47-0 Saturday to move to the quarterfinals. Santiam is 9-1, its only loss coming to No. 1-ranked St. Paul, which is still undefeated after a 46-13 win over Lost River on Saturday.

St. Paul will play eighth-ranked Heppner in the quarterfinals, the winner taking on the winner of the Grant Union-Santiam matchup in the semifinals the following week before the championship game Nov. 25.

On the other side of the bracket, second-ranked Monroe/Triangle Lake will play 10th-ranked Kennedy, and third-ranked Knappa will play 11th-ranked Oak-



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**Grant Union Prospector running back Cameron Hallgarth approaches the goal line with Central Linn's Caleb Day following.**



**Grant Union Prospector Kellen Shelley runs for a touchdown with Logan McCluskey's block.**

land in the quarterfinals. In preparation for Satur-

day's game, Miller said they will continue to work on the fundamentals and make sure they're getting good reads.

"They (Santiam) do a really good job at play action — they'll fake the run, throw the ball over the top — so we'll have to make sure we're disciplined in our approach, and just little things, like in the last game, not turning the ball over — that killed us — and finishing blocks to the whistles."



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**STATE**

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Brockway, a senior, delivered the game-winning kill.

"In practice, we train competitively, and we talk about mental toughness and having a champion attitude," Speth said. "Getting past that semi-final match was huge for us."

In the championship match, Culver was a "tale of two setters."

Hailie Wright for Grant Union and Margie Beeler of Culver each had 37 set assists in the match.

"Hailie's a very mindful setter," Speth commented. "She always knows who she needs to set. Defensively is where she really stood out for me in this match. Hailie reads

the game very well and gets to every ball."

In the final play of the final set, 24-20, Grant Union didn't win it with a big ace or a huge block. Instead, a Culver player came down touching the net.

"During the last play of the game, it was a delayed reaction that the game was over," Speth said. "We didn't realize that the net call had been made."

Grant Union aced Culver 20 times and only missed six serves.

"Everybody contributes in their own way, whether serving, defense, blocking, everyone knows and accepts their role," Speth said. "They work really well with each other. They're not afraid to communicate with each other, and they don't take offense and feelings don't get hurt."

Shelley said, after they lost the second set, they had an amazing comeback.

"Culver may have thought we'd give up when we were down — to have that attitude to come back was the big thing," she said.

"It was a really competitive game," said Brockway. "We all played really hard and all fought together to get the win."

Prospector outside hitter Mariah Moulton, who had 20 kills in the final match and was named Player of the Game, has been on the varsity team four years, the team finishing in the top three each year.

"They were really good games, and there were a lot of good teams there," she said. "It was fun winning it my senior year. It took everyone every day at practice to get it done."

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OF THE WEEK

**GABE WALKER**  
**School:** Dayville School  
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**Grandparents and Parent:** Nancy and Kevin Walker, Christian Hopkins  
**Sport:** Football

**What I like best about my sport:** "I really like being able to hang out with all my friends and becoming more athletic."

**Coach's Comment:** "Gabe is a hard-working, never-quit young man that gives 110 percent every day and always has a positive outlook."  
-Coach Nathaniel Ashley

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