

WRESTLING

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Harvey (182), who finished the day 3-1. “We had a pretty good turnout on the number of teams that showed up today.”

Grant Union head coach Andy Lusco said the tournament ran smoothly. “They’ve wrestled pretty well,” he said of his team. “We had tough competition, and a lot of first-time wrestlers got their first matches in.”

The coach said he was impressed with senior Elijah Humbird’s performance.

“(He) wrestled up to heavyweight and wrestled very well, only losing to Drew,” he said.

He said the home invitational will be a benefit as they continue on with the season, including increasing their endurance.

“We’re making improvements,” he said.

Eleven Grant Union wrestlers traveled to Heppner Saturday for the Bank of Eastern Oregon Tournament, where they finished fifth.

Coach Lusco said it was a small tournament because of conflicts with other tournaments.

He said nearly all the Grant Union wrestlers won a match, and most won multiple matches against quality competitors.

“Ben Henry has really improved and won three matches,” he added. “Russell Hodge and Cameron Hallgarth had particularly tough brackets and wrestled very hard.”

Grant Union hosted Burns and Crane for a dual meet on Tuesday, past press time, and they travel to Halfway for the Pine Eagle tournament set for 10 a.m. Saturday.

The district tournament is scheduled for Friday-Saturday, Feb. 2-3 in Imbler.



Eagle photos/Angel Carpenter

Many youth wrestlers were also in on Friday’s competition, including Grant County Wrestling Club’s Cowan Weaver, top. Referee Jesse Paulson, a Grant Union senior, is at the right.



Grant Union Prospector Drew Lusco wins a match over Irrigon Knight Kaleb Kendrick at Friday’s Grant Union Invitational in John Day.



Grant Union’s Collin Harvey pushes his Irrigon opponent into a tough spot at Friday’s invitational.



Grant Union Prospectors Ben Henry, top, and Ethan Moore wrestle each other in junior varsity competition.

Results

Grant Union Invitational team results

Baker/Powder Valley, first place, 183.0
Grant Union, second, 141.5
Crane, third, 86.0
Irrigon, fourth, 72.0
Union/Cove, fifth, 45.0
Elgin, sixth, 36.0
Heppner/Ione, seventh, 34.5
Hermiston, eighth, 30.0
Pine Eagle, ninth, 29.5
Imbler, 10th, 20.0
Adrian, 11th, 16.0

Grant Union individual results, John Day

Drew Lusco (220/285): 5-0, first, 18 team points
Elijah Humbird (220/285): 3-2, second, 10 points
Toby Boatwright (220/285): 1-4, third, 7 points
Collin Harvey (182 B): 3-1, 16 points
Josh Carpenter (170/182 B): 2-2, 7 points
Hadley Boethin (170/182 B): 3-1, 12 points
Russell Hodge (170): 1-3, fourth, 3 points
Cameron Hallgarth (152/160): 2-2, third, 7 points

Ely Camiglia (152/160): 1-3, fourth, 1 point
Logan McCluskey (138/145 B): 2-1, second, 12 points
Quinten Hallgarth (138/145 B): 1-2, third, 8 points
Damion Young (132 A): 2-2, third, 4.5 points
Nate Moore (126/132 B): 1-2, third, 9 points
Savannah Wyllie (126/132 B): 0-3, fourth, 4 points
Braden Spencer (126-132 A): 1-3, fourth, 3 points
Ben Henry (106-113): 2-0, third
Ethan Moore (106-113): 2-4, fourth, 9 points

Grant Union individual results, Heppner

Drew Lusco (285): first, 22 team points
Elijah Humbird (285): second
Boatwright (285): fourth
Hadley Boethin: seventh, 2 points
Russell Hodge (170): first, 20 points
Quinten Hallgarth (145): second, 18 points
Braden Spencer (132): fifth, 8 points
Nate Moore (132): sixth
Damion Young (132): seventh
Ethan Moore (106): fourth, 12 points
Ben Henry (106): fifth, 7 points

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OF THE WEEK

DREW WILBURN
School: Monument
Grade: 10
Parents: Andy & Mitsie Wilburn
Sport: Basketball
Position: Wing and Post
What I like best about my sport: “I like the intensity of the game, and everybody has to work together to win a game.”
Coach’s Comment:
“He’s a positive, hard-working teammate and always encouraging his team.”
- Coach Jeff Schafer

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