

Grant Union boys golf team earns trip to state

Prospectors place second at district tournament

By Angel Carpenter
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The Grant Union Prospector boys golf team earned their first trip to state in four years at the May 7-8 Special District 3 tournament played at the Pendleton Country Club.

The team shot a 750 for second place out of eight 3A/2A/1A teams, edged out by Heppner which placed first with 713.

"I'm extremely proud of the kids," said Grant Union head coach Ron Lundbom. "They are extremely excited to go to state."

He said the playing conditions were "perfect" with 80-degree weather and light wind.

Burns placed third with 759, and Echo placed fourth with 803, after breaking a tie with Imbler.

The top individual boys qualifying for state were Riley Lankford of Nixyaawii (152) in first, Cade Gorham of Imbler (163) in second, Brycen Locke of Enterprise (163) in third and Logan Burright of Heppner/Ione (171) in fourth.

Grant Union senior Duane Stokes finished seventh out of 47 competitors, with 90 on day one and 87 for day two.

"I feel like I underperformed, but I still placed sev-



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Grant Union Prospector Duane Stokes competes in John Day earlier in the season. Stokes will compete at the OSAA State Golf Championships in Banks on Monday and Tuesday, May 14-15.

enth," Stokes said. "I think it's awesome to finally make it to state in golf, and finally be able to go as a team this year."

Other members of the Grant Union boys team are

freshman Devon Stokes (187) in 11th place, junior Garrett Lenz (190) in 13th place, sophomore Kellen Shelley (196) in 17th and freshman Parker Manitsas (258) in 39th place.



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Grant Union Prospector golfer Kaytlyn Wells competes in John Day earlier in the season.

Lundbom said he was impressed with Lenz's performance after joining the team late in the season. Grant Union had three girls competing, including sophomore Kaytlyn Wells who shot 210, finishing in 13th place for individuals out of 36. She was in sixth place on day one, scoring 100, and she scored 110 on day two. Sophomore Emily Springer scored 254, and sophomore Maddy Way scored 262.

Wells said the tournament went well.

"I like getting to talk to a lot of people and see their techniques and perspective of golf," she said. "It was really impressive to golf with Tori Suto."

Suto of Wallowa/Joseph won the individual competition with a two-day total of 147, scoring a 70 on day one.

Girls teams qualifying for state are first-place Heppner/Ione with 720, second-place La Grande with 822 and third-place Baker with 868. The girls had 4A/3A/2A/1A teams competing. Top individuals quali-

fying for state were Suto in first, Sasha Keown of Heppner/Ione (170) in second, Sophie Grant of Heppner/Ione (174) in third, Nichole Prophetor of Heppner/Ione (178) in fourth and Paige Pierce of Baker/Powder Valley (187) in fifth.

Wells said she plans to return to golf next season.

"I'm looking forward to going back and doing even better and improving my score," she said.

The top four boys teams and top four individual boys will compete at state, as well as the top three girls teams and top five girls.

The OSAA State Golf Championship tournament was scheduled for May 14-15 at Quail Valley Golf Course in Banks, past press time.

Grant Union boys district results

Duane Stokes, 177
Devon Stokes, 187
Kellen Shelley, 190
Garrett Lenz, 190
Parker Manitsas, 258

Grant Union girls district results

Kaytlyn Wells, 210
Emily Springer, 254
Maddy Way, 262

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 17

Grant Union baseball vs. Elgin at district playoff in John Day at 4 p.m.

Grant Union track and field at 2A state championship in Eugene at 10 a.m.

Monument/Dayville, Prairie City track and field at 1A state championship in Eugene at 10 a.m.

Friday, May 18

Grant Union softball vs. TBD at district playoff in John Day at 3 p.m.

Grant Union track and field at 2A state championship in Eugene at 3 p.m.

Monument/Dayville, Prairie City track and field at 1A state championship in Eugene at 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 23

Softball first-round 2A state playoffs, TBD

Baseball first-round 2A state playoffs, TBD

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long jump and triple jump.

Earning a district title for the boys was Drew Lusco in shot put.

Joining the title winners on the road to state are Sierra Cates, Shanniyah Hall (alternate) and Alcie Moore (alternate) for the girls, all for the 4x100 relay.

On the boys side, joining Lusco, are Tanner Elliott, 800 meters; Jordan Hall, 110-meter high hurdles; Mason Gerry, long jump and

javelin; and Duane Stokes, triple jump.

Although 13 qualified for state, only 12 athletes will travel there after senior Jozie Rude suffered a season-ending injury at districts. This would have been Rude's fourth time competing at state, where she placed second in javelin, third in shot put and pole vault and eighth in discus last year.

At the district meet, she placed first in shot put and first in pole vault before becoming injured, missing the discus and javelin events.

Five girls added events,

helping the team win the title.

Running double distance events were Rhea Mead, Savannah Wyllie, Sammi Buckhaults and Ellie Justice. Alcie Moore also placed in two jumping events, after only practicing for one week.

Other remarkable performances came from the boys.

"Tanner Elliott was seeded sixth in the 800, but ran the race in the lead until the last 5 meters, holding on to take second and qualify for state," Smith said, adding, "Jordan Hall was leading the

hurdles in a tight race and was out-leaned at the finish line, still qualifying him for state with a new PR (personal record).

"We had many others get their season bests, which is always our goal, as coaches."

Grant Union girls results

100 meters: 1, Kaylee Wright, 12.69, PR; 5, Shanniyah Hall, 13.98, PR; 8, Bryanna Homan, 15.95, PR

200 meters: 3, Sierra Cates, 27.93, PR; 5, Trinity Hutchison, 28.94; 6, Shanniyah Hall, 29.14, PR

400 meters: 5, Sierra Cates, 1:08.51; 6, Shanniyah Hall, 1:10.94

800 meters: 5, Rylee Browning, 2:50.64; 6, Sammi Buckhaults, 3:59.76

1,500 meters: 4, Rhea Mead, 6:06.19; 5, Savannah Wyllie, 6:10.03; 6, Sammi Buckhaults, 8:31.37, PR

3,000 meters: 3, Rhea Mead, 13:04.33; 5, Savannah Wyllie, 13:22.67, PR; 6, Ellie Justice, 17:57.99, PR

100m hurdles: 1, Sydney Brockway, 16.92

300m hurdles: 5, Ellie Justice,

1:05.20, SR

4x100 relay: 2, Sydney Brockway, Sierra Cates, Trinity Hutchison, Kaylee Wright, 52.17

4x400 relay: 4, Rylee Browning, Sierra Cates, Shanniyah Hall, Alcie Moore, 4:57.55

Shot put: 1, Jozie Rude, 36-11.50; 2, Abby Lusco, 29-00.50; 4, Sophie Brockway, 26-09.50, PR

Discus: 1, Abby Lusco, 101-05.50; 4, Megan McManama, 75-11

Javelin: 1, Kaylee Wright, 136-09; 4, Sophie Brockway, 72-08

High jump: 1, Kaylee Wright, 5-01; 4, Alcie Moore, 4-02, PR

Pole vault: 1, Jozie Rude, 9-06.00

Long jump: 1, Trinity Hutchison, 15-11.25; 2, Sydney Brockway, 15-06.75

Triple jump: 1, Trinity Hutchison, 33-06; 2, Sydney Brockway, 31-04; 3, Alcie Moore, 26-02, PR

Grant Union boys results

100 meters: 4, Duane Stokes, 12.01; 7, Donovan Smith, 12.26, PR; 9, Taylor Hunt, 12.41

200 meters: 8, Donovan Smith, 25.69, PR; 10, Ben Henry, 26.05; 12, Taylor Hunt, 26.14

400 meters: 7, Ben Henry, 1:01.75; 8, Quinten Hallgarth, 1:04.24

800 meters: 2, Tanner Elliott, 2:16.32, SR; 7, Elisha Sheedy,

2:33.07, PR; 8, Jacob Smith, 2:35.69

1,500 meters: 7, Jacob Smith, 5:12.81; 9, Tanner Elliott, 5:26.12; 10, Daven Mauseth, 5:44.06

3,000 meters: 5, Elisha Sheedy, 12:29.71, PR; 6, Jesse Randleas, 12:37.08, PR

110m hurdles: 2, Jordan Hall, 18.04, PR; 4, Gage Brandon, 19.99; 5, Nathaniel Hodge, 24.05

300m hurdles: 6, Gage Brandon, 51.33; 8, Nathaniel Hodge, 59.46

4x400 relay: 4, Quaid Brandon, Tanner Elliott, Ben Henry, Donovan Smith, 4:11.36

Shot put: 3, Drew Lusco, 39-07.50; 9, Cameron Hallgarth, 33-10.00; 11, Hadley Boethin, 26-10.00

Discus: 1, Drew Lusco, 128-09.50, PR; 5, Cameron Hallgarth, 98-05, PR; 6, Cauty Weaver, 95-11.50, PR

Javelin: 2, Mason Gerry, 148-05; 3, Cameron Hallgarth, 147-10; 6, Cauty Weaver, 133-00.50

High jump: 5, Duane Stokes, 5-02

Pole vault: 3, Braden Spencer, 9-00; 4, Gage Brandon, 8-06

Long jump: 2, Mason Gerry, 18-00; 5, Jordan Hall, 17-03.50

Triple jump: 2, Duane Stokes, 38-06.50; 6, Jordan Hall, 36-02; 6, Mason Gerry, 36-02

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