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in the third quarter.

Starting senior quarterback Garrett Lenz scored in the opening moments of the game, and sophomore Taylor Hunt also scored a touchdown run in the second

Sophomores Devon Stokes and Jordan Hall and freshman Parker Neault snagged interceptions in the shutout.

The Prospectors led 44-0 going into halftime, and younger Grant Union players took the field for most of the second half, including freshman quarterback Maverick Miller.

Grant Union rushed for 422 yards. Lenz connected with Russell Hodge on a 33yard pass, and Miller threw to Tanler Fuller for a 19-yard

Prospector head coach Jason Miller said his starters performed well in the first half.

"They did exactly what they were asked to do, so it was a great game all around," he said. "Defense came up big with some turnovers, and offense just marched the ball down the field. There were no big mistakes there."

The coach said he's been pleased with Lenz throughout the season.

"Garrett Lenz has done a great job as a leader for us, both on and off the field, by doing it the right way and telling other guys how to do it the right way," he said.

Lenz said he was happy with how the defense gave the



Grant Union quarterback Garrett Lenz led the Prospectors in their 50-0 win over the Riverside Pirates Friday night in John Day.

2A Special District 6 standings

Team: league record/overall record, points scored/points allowed, OSAA ranking

Heppner: 2-0/5-2, 187/102, No. 9 Grant Union: 2-0/4-3, 172/119, No. 18 Weston-McEwen: 2-1/2-4, 147/154, No. 28 Stanfield: 0-2/0-6, 68/220, No. 35 Riverside: 0-3/0-6, 12/320, No. 34

team a "goose-egg" win.

"We had some really good drives, and I want to thank my linemen for getting the blocks that we needed," he said.

Grant Union lineman junior Drew Lusco said he's happy with the outcome.

We made few mistakes, and our secondaries played well," he said.

Grant Union, ranked No. 18 among 2A OSAA teams, has a 4-3 overall record, 2-0 in the Blue Mountain Confer-

The Prospectors will face the Heppner Mustangs (5-2, 2-0), a team that has traditionally presented a challenge for the Prospectors, at 7 p.m. Friday on the road.

'That's going to be a tough one, and we've got to show up and play with some intensity and hopefully get that league win," coach Miller said.

Grant Union will host the Weston-McEwen TigerScots for the Prospectors' final regular season game on Friday, Oct. 26.

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push Grant Union ahead going down the stretch.

Kaylee Wright with 14 kills and three aces. Brockway had nine kills and two aces, Trinity Hutchison had six kills and four blocks and Hailie Wright had five kills, three aces and 13 assists.

Abrego said it was fun to see so many team members contribute to the win.

"Our bench is super deep," she said. "You can put anyone anywhere and get the same results. It's really a special team."

Prospector Trinity Hutchison, a senior, said she felt her team played well together for the day, and they anticipate exciting games ahead.

'We're league champions, and we're looking forward to taking on some championships this year," she said.

Prospector Hailie Wright said it felt great to gain the league victory.

"We worked hard all season to get where we are now," she said, adding the team has big shoes to fill after last year's championship win at

"We need to keep rolling," she said.

On Oct. 9, Grant Union beat Union on the road with scores of 25-13, 25-22, 21-25 and 26-24. It was the only time the Prospectors were pushed to four sets all season in league play.

"I think it was a humbling experience for our team, showing that we need to work



The Eagle/Angel Carpenter

Grant Union Prospector Kaylee Wright delivers another kill shot in Saturday's match against Pilot Rock, Prospector Hailie Wright at left.

2A-6 Blue Mountain Conference

Team: league record/overall record, sets won/sets lost, OSAA Ranking

Grant Union: 12-0/23-4, 64/18, No. 2 Weston-McEwen: 8-3/21-5, 60/24, No. 4 Heppner: 7-4/14-11, 45/37, No. 12 Union: 5-6/11-9, 34/29, No. 11 Pilot Rock: 4-7/10-12, 33/39, No. 16 Stanfield: 2-9/13-13, 38/44, No. 25 Enterprise: 1-10/6-14, 25/45, No. 26

to earn every point that we get," Abrego said. "Our girls have so much drive to win that sometimes our emotions get the best of us.'

Grant Union was scheduled to host the 1A Crane Mustangs Tuesday past press time for senior night honoring the nine on the team.

The Prospectors compete at the Blue Mountain Conference Tournament on Saturday, Oct. 20, in Stanfield.

Grant Union vs. Enterprise Sydney Brockway: 9 kills, 12 digs, Kaylee Wright: 9 kills, 3 aces, 4 digs Hailie Wright: 5 kills, 2 aces, 20

Trinity Hutchison: 3 kills, 2 blocks Alcie Moore: 2 aces, 7 assists Yui Asami: 5 aces, 5 digs Kaytlyn Wells: 3 kills, 1 assist Taylor Allen: 3 kills, 1 assist McKeely Miller: 1 ace Baylee Combs: 4 digs, 2 assists Aidan Broemeling: 4 digs

Grant Union vs. Pilot Rock Kaylee Wright: 14 kills, 3 aces, 4 digs 1 assist Brockway: 9 kills, 2 aces, 1 assist, 6 digs Hutchison: 6 kills, 4 blocks Hailie Wright: 5 kills, 3 aces, 13 assists, 4 digs Moore: 1 kill. 2 aces. 12 assists. 1 dig Asami: 2 aces, 1 assist, 3 digs Wells: 1 ace, 1 dig Allen: 1 block, 1 assist Miller: 1 kill Broemeling: 6 digs Combs: 1 dig

Grant Union middle school cross country team places first

A sighting of "Bigfoot" along the Idlewild Invitational course at a campground near Burns on Saturday was a thrill for cross country competitors, but an even bigger thrill for the Grant Union Prospectors was seeing their middle school boys team place first.

Grant Union seventh-grader Grant Hall earned a second-place medal with a time of 11:55 in the 3,000-meter race, and eighth-grader Brady Dole earned a fourth-place medal and set a personal record with a time of 11:59.

Grant Union head coach Sonna Smith said they were short on runners for both the boys and girls high school teams.

For the Prospector varsity boys, junior Gage Brandon finished 20th out of 50 with a time

The boys team also included senior Braden Spencer 21:37.83, senior Tanner Elliott 21:39, sophomore Jacob Smith 23:10 and freshman Gavin Lopez 25:36.

Grant Union girls varsity did not have a full team competing, but Rylee Browning finished 13th out of 30 with a time of 24:27.

"We are starting our peaking phase for all of our athletes,' said coach Smith.

The Middle School East Championships will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday at Pendleton Community Park.

The District 5 Championships for high school cross country will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, Pendleton Com-

Dayville/ **Monument** volleyball falls to Crane in final league contest

The Dayville/Monument Tigers volleyball team pushed Crane to four sets on Saturday in Monument, but the Mustangs claimed the win with scores of 26-24, 13-25, 25-18 and 25-14.

Tiger head coach Kristi Emerson said Crane has a solid team. She said her team had some great volley sets and served well.

She added that freshman Aubreianna Osborne made some exciting blocks.

The younger players joined in for a junior varsity game against Long Creek/Ukiah lat-

Dayville/Monument took a 25-15, 25-17, 21-25 and 25-23

"It was good for the younger kids to play, and they played entire time, Emerson said. "I'm very proud of them. They're coming right along."

Long Creek/Ukiah head coach Linda Studtmann said her team had hoped to win the fourth set but "couldn't quite keep the pace."

Studtmann said she was encouraged the team "didn't give up and kept trying right up to the end.'

"It was a good day — challenging but fun," she said.

Emerson said, in preparation for Saturday's High Desert League Volleyball Tournament, start time 9 a.m., they'll

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"We're just going to go in with positive thoughts and play our game — play as a team and have fun," Emerson

work on coverage and funda-

Long Creek/ Ukiah JV beats Crane JV 2-1

Long Creek/Ukiah junior varsity head coach Linda Studtmann said her team was thrilled with their 2-1 win over the Crane Mustangs on Saturday in Monument.

The Mountaineer/Cougars lost the first set 20-25 but made a comeback to win the final sets 25-14 and 15-8.

Studtmann said she had to juggle players around with one starter out with an injury.

"They're getting used to the new line-up and responding well to each other as a team, she said.

Studtmann said she has seen improvements in the players but is identifying areas to

"Team spirit has been high this year, and that makes our job as coaches easier," Studtmann said.

Long Creek/Ukiah hosts the Huntington Locomotives on Thursday for the Mountaineer/ Cougars' homecoming match at 4:30 p.m.

Long Creek/Ukiah soccer improves against Riverside

Long Creek/Ukiah soccer player Mathéo Buchart scored 2 points in his team's 6-2 loss to Riverside Pirates Oct. 10 in Long Creek.

Although it was a loss, the team made strides compared with their last meeting with the Pirates when they lost 11-0 on Oct. 2 in Boardman.

'We had much improved results," said Long Creek/Ukiah head coach Amos Studtmann. "My team put in more effort than I've seen so far this season. When you get beat one time, you have to go back and just keep playing the ball."

He said his goalie Sitong "Tiger" Zeng made a couple impressive stops. Team captain Ricardo Peña showed leadership on the field, Studtmann

Studtmann said his team is looking forward to hosting the Nyssa Bulldogs at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in Long Creek.

"They're pretty fired up now," he said.

Prairie City strikers go 1-2 in three final league matches

The Prairie City Panthers are looking forward to Saturday's 1A High Desert League Volleyball Tournament set for 9

a.m. in John Dav. Last week, the Panthers had

one win and two losses on the On Tuesday, Oct. 9, most of

the Prairie City team saw playing time against Burnt River, rolling to a 25-19, 25-10 and 25-16 win.

Assistant coach Louanne Zweygardt said they "saw some big improvements in game situation confidence" in the match.

Prairie City faced Adrian in Unity on Thursday, falling 3-1 to the Antelopes. The Panthers' serving was

92 percent with Hailee Wall, Rilee Emmel and Samantha Workman all serving 100 per-

kills for Prairie City, and Rilee Emmel had nine kills. "Offensively we played

Emily Ennis led with 11

well," Zweygardt said. "Our defense broke down a little, which gave Adrian the edge."

Saturday, Prairie City faced the Jordan Valley Mustangs on the road. The Mustangs made the sweep with scores of 25-19, 25-13 and 25-18.

Samantha Workman served 100 percent, and Rilee Emmel had seven kills.

1A High Desert League volleyball standings

Team: league record/overall record, sets won/sets lost, OSAA ranking Jordan Valley: 7-0/13-7, 40/21, No. 19 Crane: 6-1/12-13, 43/42, No. 22 Adrian: 5-2/16-10, 46/32, No. 16 Prairie City: 4-3/9-12, 28/28, No. 36 Dayville/Monument: 3-4/6-5, 19/19, No.

Harper Charter: 2-5/3-7, 9/24, No. 52 Burnt River: 1-6/2-8, 10/26, No. 60 Huntington: 0-7/0-8, 3/24, No. 67

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