

Kinzua takes third in Hermiston City tourney

Kinzua captured third place in the Hermiston City Tourney held the past two weeks in Hermiston.

Kinzua played six games to land the third-place trophy. The tournament had 14 teams competing, with the Hermiston Herald team grabbing first place by winning all four games.

In the first game, Kinzua romped past Wes Cruikshank 16-3 in five innings.

Kinzua scored runs in every inning as it held its opponent to runs in the first and second.

Leading Kinzua was Mike Rowell with two home runs and a double, which drove in five runs. He was followed by John McCabe who had six RBIs on a home run, single and triple.

Other Kinzua batters who hit safely were: Jamie Sands with a home run and a single; Jamie Query with a single; a triple by Keith Curnutt, a single and double by Ron Bowman; Dan Mathews with two singles, Buck Query, Delbert Binschus, and Dave Eckman with singles.

In the second game Kinzua came from behind in the third inning and beat Sky High 6-4.

John McCabe and Ron Bowman led the victors with five hits between them. Other hits which contributed to the win were tagged by Keith Curnutt, Mike Rowell, George Waterland and Buck Query.

The third game was a close battle with Erico nipping Kinzua 9-8 in the bottom of the seventh.

Erico took an early lead by scoring two runs in the first. Kinzua triggered back with runs scored by John McCabe, Mike Rowell, and George Waterland. Others left on base were Dan Mathews, Dave Eckman and Ron Bowman.

The third inning Erico rallied with two more runs as Kinzua had one run on Keith Curnutt's single. Gary Kemp's single knocked him in.

Kinzua was scoreless in the fourth as Erico had three runs.

The fifth inning saw Buck Query single cross the plate for Kinzua. Kinzua gave it one more try in the seventh with two down as they scored three runs to lead Erico 8-7.

However, Erico fought back and scored two runs to win the game.

The contest that followed was won by Kinzua 20-3 over Speciality Electric.

Kinzua scored runs in every inning, with the opponents managing runs in the first, third and fifth.

Leading Kinzua was John McCabe with two home runs, one triple and single which accounted for six RBIs. He was followed by Dave Eckman with a home run, single and triple and five RBIs.

Other batters who helped ice the win were Jamie Query with two singles, Keith Curnutt two singles; two triples by Mike Rowell, a single, double and triple by Gary Kemp, two singles by George Waterland, and singles by Buck Query and Mike Smith.

In the fifth game Kinzua eliminated Erico 9-6.

Ron Bowman and Jamie Query led Kinzua with three

hits each. Delbert Binschus' back-to-back doubles led Kinzua RBIs with four.

Erico managed runs in the first, fourth and sixth.

Kinzua victors were also aided with hits from Gary Kemp, George Waterland, Buck Query and Dave Eckman.

The last game of the tourney for Kinzua was against Roemarks, with Roemarks coming up on top with a score of 5-2.

Kinzua could only manage six hits by Ron Bowman, Keith Curnutt, Gary Kemp, George Waterland, Dan Mathews, and Mike Rowell.

This weekend Kinzua will be playing in the district recreational tournament in Hermiston, with the top three teams going to the state tourney held the last weekend in August in Eugene.

The Heppner GAZETTE-TIMES SPORTS

Rodeo team returns from national finals in South Dakota

Five members of Heppner High School's state championship winning rodeo team were returning to Morrow County earlier this week, after competing in the national finals high school rodeo in Huron, S.D.

More than 1,000 high school riders from across the country reportedly took part in the competition, after earning the right to compete in the national showdown through competition in their home states.

None of Heppner's five entrants at the contest placed

within the top fifteen of the respective events in order to enter the finals race. Early reports indicated that Janice Healy placed 20th in the barrel race, five places shy of earning a berth in the finals go-around.

Complete information on how Heppner's other entrants at the national showdown placed was not available at press time.

Making the trip to South Dakota were Heppner Rodeo club members Janice Healy, Lawrence Rice, Ron and Tony Curran, and Jana Steagall.



Routine business

Three members of the Heppner High School Goldtrotters—Julie Grieb, Wendy Myers and Geri Grieb—returned from a four-day workout at the Thunderbird Dance Drill Team Camp held at Whitworth College in Spokane recently. The girls picked up a first place for the best rendition of a new routine, one of seven new formations they will teach the other nine members of the Goldtrotters. Julie is captain of the Goldtrotters and she says that fans can expect a great show from the dance team at home football and basketball games.

Heppner swimmers strong at district meet

Heppner swimmers put on their strongest performance of the season last weekend at the Eastern Oregon District Swimming Championships in Pendleton.

Heppner placed sixth out of 12 teams competing in the district meet among area "B" teams, but the sixth-place finish belies the true picture of the local team's showing at

the meet. Some 20 Heppner "B" class swimmers finished with faster qualifying times than are allowed under the "B" rating. Those swimmers' points,

therefore, were not tabulated into the "B" team's total score of 132.

For example, Heidi Samples, one of the "B" class Heppner swimmers, was awarded three certificates for surpassing qualifying times in three events. Despite her fast finishes, her points were not tabulated.

The three Heppner swimmers competing in "A" level action at the AAU-sponsored meet also fared well.

Karen Kenny broke a meet record in the 50 meter

backstroke, becoming the first Heppner swimmer in recent memory to do so in district-level competition. Karen also placed sixth in the 13-14 girls' 100 meter freestyle, fifth in the 50 meter freestyle. Sandra Ward swam to a sixth-place showing in the 13-14 girls' 50 meter freestyle.

Teaming up with Shelly Biddle, the Heppner "A" girls finished fourth in the 13-14 girls' 200 meter freestyle relay.

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Open track meet set for Aug. 13

Condon Kiwanis will host a second annual Twilight All-Comers Track and Field Meet on Sunday, Aug. 13, starting at 3 p.m. at the Condon High School track.

Events will include 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, 440 yard dash, 880 yard run, mile run, three-mile run, shot put, long jump and high jump.

The events will be divided into three age divisions—juniors age 15 and under, intermediate 16-20, and senior 21 and above.

All three-mile participants, regardless of division, will compete at the same time in one race. Other events may have divisions combined, depending on the number of entries.

Ribbons will be awarded to each finisher to sixth place for each division in every event. The Kiwanis hope to furnish times for finishers in every event.

Races will be run on the high

school's all-weather synthetic track surface, so runners are urged to wear short spikes if track shoes are used.

Entrants may sign up at race time, but pre-registration is recommended. To pre-register, send your name, age, and the events to be entered to Condon Kiwanis Club, P.O. Box 642, Condon, Oregon, 97823. There will be no limit on the number or combination of events that an individual may enter.

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Public input sought for fishing rules changes

Fish and Wildlife Department staff and Oregon State Police officers are beginning to develop recommendations for 1979 angling regulations. Anglers and sportsmen's clubs with suggestions for changes in the rules are encouraged to submit them to the Department within the next few weeks.

Staff proposals will be publicized in early September for public comment. A public hearing is scheduled in Portland on September 23 for presentation of all proposals, including those from the public, to the Fish and Wildlife Commission. All public recommendations should be submitted on or before the September 23 hearing.

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Football workouts slated for HHS

It may not seem like it, but it's getting to be that time of year already. Football, time, that is.

Heppner High football coach John Sporseen has announced that football equipment will be issued next week, with the first practice session of the season slated to take place on Aug. 21 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Seniors may pick up their equipment from 8 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 14, with juniors scheduled to draw their gear the following day, Aug. 15, from 8 to 9 p.m., and freshmen on Aug. 17, also from 8 to 9 p.m.

Practice sessions will be of the daily double variety following the initial Aug. 21 session, with workouts scheduled Tuesday through Friday from 7 to 8:30 a.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.

Students seeking additional information on the football practice schedule may contact Sporseen at 676-5279 during evenings.

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