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## Princess Char loves horses

Princess Char Coe of the 1994 Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Court, is the stately daughter of Tim and Jan Coe, Heppner.

For as long as she can remember her love affair with horses has been one of her main interests, she says. Gone are the days when she 'fast-tracked' on a slim pony while the family lived on Hughes' Buttercreek ranch. Now she pursues schooling bigger and more challenging mounts.

Those efforts resulted in her winning the 1991 Champion Junior Performance Horse, the 1992 Reserve High Point Rider award and the 1994 Reserve Senior Performance Horse title at Morrow County Open Horse Shows—just a few of her horse awards.

Princess Char follows in the footsteps of her older sister, Tricia, who was a princess on the 1990 court of Queen Judy Jepsen Julio. Like other horse enthusiasts, she has participated in 4-H horse shows and the Wrangler playdays and she has carried a sponsor flag during rodeos for the past three years.

### Princess Char Coe

**Height:** 5'9"  
**Eyes:** Blue  
**Hair:** Blond  
**Parents:** Tim & Jan  
**Age:** 17 year old senior

**Activities:** 4-H Horse & Sheep, varsity volleyball, basketball & track, Wranglers, FFA, '93 Homecoming princess



Princess Char will be a senior at Heppner High School this fall. Like her older brother, Scott, a former high school athlete, she enjoys sports including basketball, volleyball and track. Char was also chosen as a member of the 1993 homecoming court. As a active Heppner FFA chapter member, she has topped judging contests at shows in Tygh Valley, Hermiston and elsewhere.

A seven year 4-H member,

Princess Char enjoys participating with her sheep and horse projects during the week of fair. In 1991 she won the master showmanship contest, an event where top showman are judged on the ability to show each animal breed including a horse.

This year's court has garnered many first places in the mounted court in numerous parades. This means that Princess Char has had many busy weekends. They recently stayed overnight at Wallowa where they participated in the Chief Joseph Days parade and grand entries. Char's mount for these court appearances is her six year old gelding named 'Zi Five.'

Meeting people and visiting new places has been a blast, Princess Char says. But she hasn't been sitting around waiting for those weekends. Summer weekdays have been spent 'sweating it out' in hay fields as an employee of Mac Hoskins.

Future plans for this hard-working young lady are indefinite, she says. For now she is concentrating on court duties while preparing a sheep for the fair and participating in the 4-H Horse Show this Sunday, August 7.

### Open house at fire hall

The Heppner Volunteer Firemen will hold an open house Friday, Aug. 19 between 1 and 5 p.m. at the Heppner Fire Hall located at the corner of Gale and Willow Street.

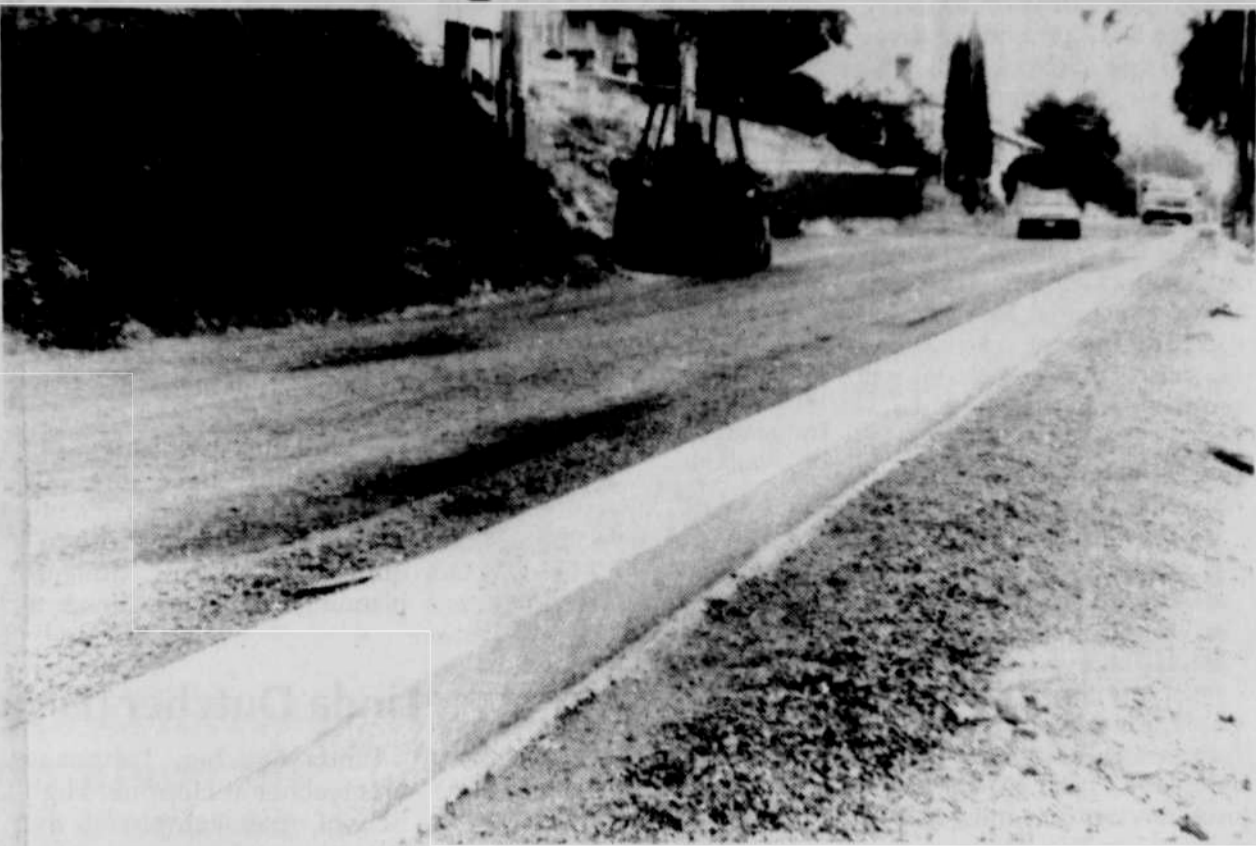
During the open house the public will be welcome to tour the new fire hall facility and view the new pumper truck as well as other equipment.

would be re-opened soon. Another fire was burning out of control near Cecil. The Sheriff's office spokesperson said at the time no structures had been burning. "Everybody's out there," (to fight the fire), she said.

## Lightning causes fires

Two big field fires were burning out of control Tuesday night fanned by high winds. Highway 74 mile post 7-12, which is the road from Lone to the freeway, was closed at presstime Tuesday night. A sheriff's department spokesperson said that the road

## Curb creates problem for residents



Dispute over curbs

Heppner city manager Gary Marks says that construction on Gilmore Street will keep residents out of their driveways for the next couple of weeks. But, some residents fear that the Gilmore construction will prohibit access to their property permanently unless the project is changed.

Construction crews laid a concrete curb which was intended to help solve the drainage problem on Gilmore. Marks said that before, the water not only seeped through the cracks in the street, but overflowed down the hill and flooded basements. The new curb should channel water down the gutter, into a catch basin and into new storm drains.

But, at the present time the back side of the "rolling" curbs ranges from several inches to

around a foot above the dirt or gravel in some residents' driveways. Even when the project is completed, some residents believe that the driveways will be too steep to get their vehicles, especially recreation vehicles, out. Residents also complained that they were not notified ahead of time so that they could get their vehicles out before they were trapped.

Marks says that the situation "is not what it appears" and says that it looks worse than it is because the project is not completed. "We need people to give us a chance to finish the project," he said. "We're going to make sure people have access to their property. The city's trying very hard to address the problems on Gilmore Street. We're willing to work with any adjacent property owner to make sure their prop-

erty is not obstructed. Please have patience." He said that the area behind the curb will be backfilled and he has been assured by the engineer that the Gilmore Street project will work. Marks added that residents on Church Street will have the same temporary problems.

He said that the street project should be "wrapped up and done" before fair week.

Marks asks drivers to be careful and take it easy on the new city streets at least until fall when the new surface has a chance to firm up. He cautions that people skidding, making fast U-turns and squirreling around could tear the new surface which will be pliable for a while, especially in the heat. "The community has a lot invested in the project," he said.

## Schools begin 4-day week

Morrow County School students will have new hours when they start school this fall. Heppner High School students will begin the school day at 7:55 a.m. and will be dismissed at 3:36 p.m. Class periods will be 57 minutes long. Heppner Elementary and Middle School students will also begin at 7:55 a.m., but dismissal times had not been announced at presstime. Lone students in kindergarten through second grade will attend school from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Hours for lone students in grades 3-12 will be from 8 a.m. to 3:32 p.m.

Registration for all Heppner High School students will be Monday, August 15, from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 3:30 p.m. HHS fees are as follows: all students—student body card, \$8, computer lab fee, \$5; PE students and athletes—towel fee, \$3; optional—yearbook, \$20, and padlock, \$3. For the first time students will also be charged for participating in sports. Cost is \$50 per sport per student with a maximum of \$200 per family for the school year.

Lone Schools have not set registration day, but school officials encourage new students to come in the office to enroll before school starts.

The first day of school for all Morrow County students is Friday, Aug. 26. Teachers will begin with a district-wide inservice day on Aug. 23.

### Deadlines set for rodeo entries

Morrow County Rodeo Secretary Marlene Currin will accept entries and entry fees for the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo to be held August 19-21, beginning August 12.

The Morrow County Rodeo entries can be called in to Cur-

This year, also for the first time, Morrow County students will have a four-day week, attending school Monday through Thursday, with a few exceptions. When Monday is a holiday, students will attend Friday. Teachers will still have

a five-day work week, with Fridays reserved for planning, meetings, etc. School officials said that they hope to schedule games on Fridays as much as possible, so that classroom time is not interrupted.

### Football camp set Aug. 8-11

The Third Annual South Morrow County Football Camp, for boys in sixth through 12th grades, has been scheduled for Monday through Thursday, Aug. 8-11, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Cost for the camp is \$20 which includes a team hat. Extra proceeds will go to the

respective school football teams.

The camp will be held at Heppner High School.

Coaches will be the Heppner and Lone middle and high school coaching staff.

Signup sheets will be at Murray Drugs and Heppner High School. For more information call Greg Grant, 676-5257.

## Park commission may put pool issue to voters

The monthly meeting of the Willow Creek Park District Board is scheduled for Wednesday, August 10 at 7 p.m. at Kate's Pizza.

At this meeting the exploratory swimming pool commission plans to ask the park board to endorse the pool project and put proposed funding measures on the November ballot.

Heppner has been without a

pool for the past three summers. In the meantime many volunteer hours have been spent researching ways to construct and operate a new pool.

A site and pool design have been chosen. Hager Park was selected as the most feasible site. At a construction cost of around \$1.2 million, the facility would include an indoor therapy pool. It was estimated that it would cost around \$10,000 per month for pool operations during summer months.

In the meantime 'People for the Pool' have acquired over \$12,000 in support of the pool project.

Whether voters will have a chance to determine the fate of a city pool depends on the vote of the park district board. This meeting is open to the public.

### HARVEST HOURS until Monday

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