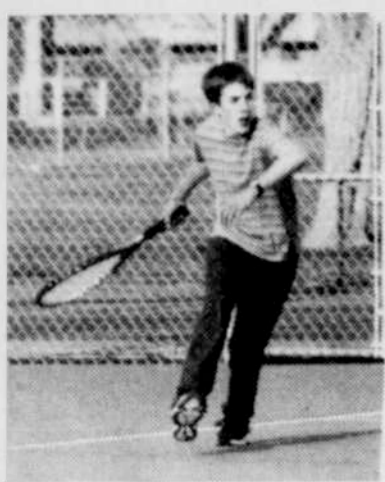


Cards top tennis players represented at Helix Mustangs sweep Vikings



Colin McElligott runs down a forehand hit.



Sheena Christman serves a ball in her match against Riverside.

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Salli McElligott prepares for serve-receive against her opponent.

Ione's top tennis players represented the Cardinals at the Helix tennis tournament in Pendleton on Saturday, April 14.

For the girls, Caitlin Orem defeated Kelly of Mac-Hi, 8-0, and then proceeded to defeat Breana Anderson, of Condon, 8-2. Caitlin Orem then played the number-one seeded Renee Robertson of Weston-McEwen, falling to Robertson, 0-8. Orem played for third place against Nunamaker of Hood River, losing that match, 3-8.

Sheena Christman lost her first match to Marlana White of Umatilla, 7-9. She then sparred against Weidart of Weston-McEwen, losing her final match, 2-8.

The doubles team of Allison Halvorsen and Shelby Krebs lost their first match to Woodman and Ketchum of Sherman County, 3-8. Their final match against Mills and Weatherman of Stanfield also resulted in a 3-8 loss.

In the men's bracket, Aaron Brown unleashed a fury of aces against his Sherman County opponent, defeating Holliday, 8-0. Brown then wielded his racket against Britton of Hood River posting his first loss of the day, 0-8. Brown then came back with a vengeance against Daniel Schuld of Weston-McEwen, obliterating Schuld, 8-1. Brown then played against J.T. Haines of Stanfield, for third place, losing to Haines, 6-8.

Colin McElligott had the unfortunate draw of playing number-one seeded Joey Yourchek from Sherman County. McElligott fell to Yourchek, 0-8. McElligott avenged his loss by defeating Chiang of Hood River, 9-8, with a 9-7 tie-breaker score. McElligott squared off against Jimmy Rico of Umatilla, posting his second loss of the day, 6-8.

The doubles duo of Adam McCabe and Adam Neiffer easily defeated Penn-Reger of Helix, 8-2. The two Adams then proceeded to defeat Phillips-Herman 9-8, posting a tie breaker score of 7-4. The win earned McCabe-Neiffer the liberty of playing the number-one seeded Aparicio and Gray of Umatilla, posting their first loss of the day, 1-8.

McCabe-Neiffer then played against Valle-Palomino of Umatilla for third place, losing their final match, 8-4.

Derek Campbell and Aaron Tworek lost their first match to Felix-Christian of Mac-Hi, 2-8. Campbell-Tworek defeated Crofton-Rivera of Stanfield, 8-2, went on to defeat Denley-Drummond of Arlington, 8-1 and then proceeded to claim the consolation title by defeating Coronado-Griffin of Mac-Hi.

Ione girls win, boys lose

Ione tennis teams traveled to Umatilla on Tuesday, April 10, to slug it out against the Vikings in what turned out to be a very soggy game of tennis. Ione girls defeated Umatilla, 5-3. Ione boys lost 3-4.

Molly Barrow defeated Marlana White, 8-2. Caitlin Orem defeated Jasmine Manning, 6-3. Shelby Krebs defeated Ida Garza, 4-1. Sheena Christman defeated Amanda Robbins, 4-0.

The doubles team of Shelby Krebs and Allison Halvorsen fell to Karly Masters and Trista White, 3-6. Salli McElligott and Emily Key fell to Marcie Garza and Melissa Hooker, 4-6. Molly Barrow and Meghan McCabe lost a tight match to Dauna Borden and Katelyn Lee, 4-5, with a 2-7 tie breaker score.

Ione boys track team 9th

The Ione boys' track team finished ninth at the Umatilla/Heppner Invitational on April 8.

Andrew Rietmann finished first in the 100m dash with a time of 11.69. He also finished first in the 200m dash with a time of 23.77.

The 400 relay team of Brooks Rea, Mike Radie, Corey Morgan and Andrew Rietmann finished in fourth place with a time of 46.66. Rea also finished in seventh place in the 100m with a time of 12.19.

Grant aimed at training cheese plant workers

Community Action Program of East Central Oregon, in partnership with Tillamook County Creamery Association and Blue Mountain Community College, recently announced a \$75,000 Current Workforce Skills Development grant award from the Oregon State Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development.

This grant is aimed at developing training components for employees at the new Columbia River Processing cheese plant in Boardman.

The grant provides training dollars for a population of the workforce who has traditionally been overlooked by training resources and focuses on two distinct employee groups, said a CAPECO news release.

The first group is a core leadership team, who will provide supervision and ongoing direction for the new plant.

By Rick Paullus

A combination of good pitching and hitting led to a Heppner Mustang sweep of the visiting Umatilla Vikings, 11-0 and 12-1, with both games ending in five innings due to the 10-run rule, on Saturday, April 14. The wins gave the Mustangs a 2-0 record in the Columbia Basin Conference and 8-3-1 overall.

The Mustangs next face Stanfield in Stanfield on Saturday, April 21, for a doubleheader beginning at 11 a.m. in their next CBC action.

The Mustangs got on the board in the first as Chuy Elguezabal walked and scored on a Michael McCabe triple. McCabe later scored on a Kelly Paullus single to make it 2-0.

In the third, the Mustangs added six more runs. Stefan Matheny hit a two-run homerun, then McCabe singled, stole second and scored on a Billy Gates' double. Brad Adams singled, then Paullus had a two RBI double and later scored on a Donald Adams sacrifice fly.

The Mustangs put the game away in the fourth as Gates had an infield single and went to third when Paullus reached on an error. Travis Bellamy had a two RBI single but was thrown out trying to stretch it into a double. Donald Adams walked and later scored on a Luke Murray single to make it 11-0.

Josh Winters pitched four innings of one-hit ball with no walks to pick up the win with Donald Adams striking out the side in the fifth in relief.

Paullus went two for three with a double and three RBIs. McCabe and Bellamy each went two for three with an RBI. Gates went two for two with a double and an RBI. Matheny had a homerun and two RBIs.

In the second game, Elguezabal walked, stole second and scored on Gates' single to take a 1-0 lead after one.

In the second inning, Bellamy and Donald Adams walked, Winters had an RBI single and Elguezabal an RBI sacrifice bunt. Matheny doubled off the left field fence to drive in Winters, McCabe had an RBI triple and Paullus an RBI single to make it 6-0.

The Vikings scored their only run of the day in the third, but the Mustangs got it back in the fourth as Paullus doubled, went to third on a wild pitch and scored on Bellamy's sacrifice fly.

The Mustangs ended the game in the fifth as Elguezabal led off with a triple, Matheny walked and McCabe drove both home with a double. Gates had an RBI single and Paullus ended the game with a homerun.

Gates went three innings to get the win, with relief help from Elguezabal and McCabe.

Paullus led the Mustangs at the plate, going three for four with a double, homerun and three RBIs. Gates went three for four with a double and two RBIs. McCabe went two for four with a double, triple and three RBIs. Matheny went two

for three with a double and an RBI. Elguezabal went one for one, reaching base all four at bats with a triple and two runs scored.

Statistics
First game
Umatilla: 000 00 - 0 1 2
Heppner: 206 3x - 11 11 1
Bruno Ybarra, Fig (4) and Brittan; Josh Winters, Donald Adams (5) and Kelly Paullus.
W - Paullus. L - Ybarra. 2B - Billy Gates, Paullus. 3B - Michael McCabe. HR - Stefan Matheny.

Second game
Umatilla: 001 00 - 1 3 3
Heppner: 150 15 - 12 13 0
John Ellwanger and Brittan; Billy Gates, Chuy Elguezabal (4), Michael McCabe (5) and Brad Adams. W - Gates. L - Ellwanger. 2B - Matheny, Gates, McCabe. Paullus. 3B - McCabe, Elguezabal. HR - Paullus.

Ione track teams take third

The Ione boys and girls track teams took third place at the Umatilla track meet on April 10.

On the boys' side, Andrew Rietmann was a double winner. He took first in the 100m with a time of 11.46 and also took first in the 200m with a time of 23.67.

The 400 relay team of Mike Radie, Brooks Rea, Corey Morgan and Andrew Rietmann took second place with a time of 46.17. Brooks Rea also took fourth in the 100m with a time of 12.00 and second in the high jump with a jump of 5-4. Rea finished eighth in the 200m with a time of 25.93.

Cody Bergstrom finished seventh in the 800m. Jeremiah McElligott finished third in the 300m run. Corey Morgan finished first in the 300m hurdles with a time of 47.67; he also finished sixth in the triple jump with a jump of 35-11.

The 1600m relay team of Mike Radie, Jeremy Rietmann, Till Tullis and Andrew Rietmann finished in third place with the time of 4:11.73.

Corey Bennetto was fourth in the shot put with a throw of 38-6, second in the discus with a throw of 119-3, and third in the javelin with a throw of 125-5. Cayle Krebs was seventh in the shot put with a throw of 35-9.

On the girls' side, the 400m relay

team of Diana McElligott, Natalie McElligott, Cindi Heagy and Amelia Peck finished second with a time of 53.86.

Diana McElligott finished second in the 100m with a time of 13.37; she also took first place in the 200m with a time of 27.94. Cindi Heagy took fourth in the 400m with a time of 1:07.04 and fifth in the shot put with a throw of 27-3. Amelia Peck took second place in the 100m hurdles with a time of 18.70; she also took first in the 300m hurdles with a time of 54.23 and fifth in the discus with a throw of 79-7.

Natalie McElligott took first place in the high jump with a jump of 4-8. She also took second in the long jump with a jump of 14-8 1/4" and fifth in the triple jump with a jump of 28-11.

Veteran's service office closed

The Morrow County Veteran's Service office in Heppner will be closed Tuesday, April 24 and will reopen Tuesday, May 1.

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By Liz Straley

As you know, or the past two to three months, St. Patrick's Senior Center has been going through a "face lift" and interior replacement and repair work. We are happy to tell you that the old "washboard floor" in the dining room has been replaced and recovered and is in "ballroom shape."

After missing two meals, we are back in business. The Easter dinner menu was roast pork and beef with all the trimmings. Our compliments and kudos to the chefs and all the help. In spite of the bad weather (snow), the meal was enjoyed by 80-90 diners. Plus, the decorators outdid themselves as usual.

The sale table did a brisk business and should be checked out for good bargains every Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Every Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m. we have a video exercise class for 50 minutes. Our Tuesday night Bingo is back on track with "goodies." Give it a whirl at 7 p.m.

On Thursday at noon, we have a self-service hot lunch for the residents and anyone who wants to drop in. If you don't have "deep pockets," it's worth the usual donation or whatever. Some days we get a surprise. Also on Thursdays, at 2 p.m., we enjoyed a video, "An American in Paris," an old classic, was enjoyed by all last week.

We have a "puzzle corner" set up for anyone who wants to help out. Sylvia McDaniels, a renown Heppner artist, will appreciate your help and a chat. Sylvia's mural decorates city hall.

On Fridays from 1-4 p.m., we set up for pinocle for the residents and anyone who drops in. The coffee pot and goodies are on hand, along with good gossip and rumors. Two card tables were filled last Friday.

The lunch menu for April 18 was rib of beef, oven fries, green salad, pineapple with cottage cheese, biscuits, dixie cups, coffee, tea and milk. We hope Jane Rawlins is on the mend.

SOCCER REGISTRATION (and Colt Volleyball*)

Registration for Heppner/Lexington/Ione soccer teams (for Fall 2001 season) will be held as follows:
May 8th: Heppner Neighborhood Center, 6-8 p.m.
May 10th: Ione Fire Hall, 6-8 p.m.
May 12th: Heppner Neighborhood Center, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Registration fees are: \$31 for the first child and \$28 for each additional child (scholarships will be available).

Children must bring a copy of their birth certificate (national AYSO regulated requirement). Age restrictions are 4 1/2 - 14 (eligible ages are children born between 8-1-87 and 1-31-97)

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*Colt Volleyball registration will be held at the same times/locations

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