

Cardinal relay teams reign at Condon

By Debbie Radie

The lone track teams traveled to Condon to compete in an eight-team meet on April 16. The Cardinal girls team took first place, while the Cardinal boys finished third.

Leading the girls' team was Amelia Peck, who finished first in the discus with a throw of 84'3". She also took first in the 100m hurdles with a time of 17.5 and first in the 300m hurdles at 52.07. Diana McElligott took first in the 100m dash with a time of 12.74 and first in the 200m dash with 27.45. Cyndi Heagy won the 400m dash with a time of 1:05.37 and finished second in the 100m dash with a time of 13.42. Jaysi Bennetto took first in the 800m run with a time of 3:36.55, placed second in the 3000m run at 15:23.82 and third in the 100m hurdles with 20.18.

Eva Chitty finished second in the long jump with a jump of 12'3". She also took second in the pole vault with a jump of 6' and third in the 200m dash with 30.88. Brittany Day placed second in the 100m hurdles with a time of 19.56. Kacie Peterson took second in the 800m run with a time of 3:43.62. Missy Baker placed fourth in the shot put with a throw of 27'1" and took sixth in the 100m dash with a time of 14.31. Barbara Holland

finished fifth in the high jump, jumping 4'6". Kim Morris finished sixth in the high jump with a jump of 4'4". Both relay teams placed first: the 4x100 relay team at 59.23 and the 4x400m relay team with 4:39.02.

In boys action, the 4x100 relay team of Radie, Rietmann, Burright and Tullis took first place with a time of 45.59. Andrew Rietmann finished first in the high jump with a jump of 5'5", won the 100m dash with a time of 10.92 and finished second in the triple jump with a jump of 38'5". Brad Burright took first in the 110m hurdles with a time of 14.93. He also took first in the 300m hurdles with a time of 40.32 and third in the discus, throwing 113'1". Ashley Roberts placed second in the 100m dash with a time of 11.77, fourth in the long jump with a jump of 16'10", fourth in the javelin with a throw of 123', and sixth in the triple jump, jumping 34'2".

Mike Radie placed third in the long jump with a jump of 17'1". Til Tullis finished third in the 110 hurdles with a time of 20.05 and fourth in the 300m hurdles with a time of 49.20. Cody Bergstrom placed fourth in the 3000m run with a time of 11:56.04 and sixth in the 1500m with a time of 5:23.14.

Ione senior girls honored

Ione High School senior girls and their mothers were honored at the annual tea sponsored by the Ione Topic Club. The group met at the Fireside room of the United Church of Christ on April 17. Senior girls present were Amber Peck, Salli McElligott, Kristian Powell, Rhonda Wilhelm, Cyndi Heagy, and Terri McElligott.

Following refreshments, Katherine Lindstrom shared the history of the club, which was organized in 1930. Diane Stuart sang with Cheri Smouse as her accompanist. The special guest speaker for the day was Macarena Esposito, an exchange student from Brazil.

Prior to the tea, the club met for a business meeting. Members discussed the summer reading program themed, "Don't Bug Me, I'm Reading!" The program will begin the week after school is out and continue for six weeks.

The group also discussed plans to prepare a lunch for the bicycle tour participants who will be in Ione on June 22.

Repeat winners set theme for All-State program

Repeat winners are the theme for the spring version of the Dairy Farmers of Oregon Academic All-State program, administered by the OSAA. Repeat winners include the three-time champion Ione girls tennis team (3.89) and Forest Grove speech team (3.92); the Pine Eagle softball team (3.95) is a two-time winner.

Other winning squads included Ione boys' tennis.

The teams listed below earned the highest team grade-point average (GPA) in the entire state for their activity, regardless of classification. The winning team in each spring activity will be presented a plaque in honor of outstanding scholastic achievement and team members will receive a "got milk?" sweatshirt and a certificate. Presentations will be made to each team later this spring.

The OSAA and the Dairy Farmers of Oregon congratulate the following winners: the Ione High School boy's tennis team, team GPA: 3.79 and Ione High School girl's tennis team, team GPA: 3.89.

Wrangler's change play day location

The Wrangler's Riding Club will hold its next play day at the Heppner Fairgrounds on Sunday, April 28, beginning at 1 p.m. Events include barrels, pole bending, stick horse racing and another event to be determined. A potluck for club members and families will begin at noon.

There is no charge to come and watch, and the children love an audience, said a club spokesperson. There will also be a concession stand.

Anyone interested in participating is welcome. Membership is \$25 for a family or \$15 for an individual. Participation in a play day on a one-time basis is \$5.

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Ione boys compete at Sherman County Invitational



Johnny Collin and Taylor McElligott pose for a picture after winning the consolation bracket at the Sherman County Tennis Invitational on Saturday.



Adam McCabe & Adam Neiffer placed second at the Sherman County Tennis Invitational.

The Ione men's tennis team traveled to The Dalles Saturday, April 20, to participate in the Sherman County Tennis Invitational. The doubles duo of Adam Neiffer and Adam McCabe defeated Hess/Rico of Umatilla, 8-6. Neiffer/McCabe then defeated Brown/Reeves of Sherman County, 8-5, placing them in the championship bracket.

Neiffer/McCabe squared off against Schuft/Nightingale, La Grande's top doubles team, and lost 2-8, for a second place finish. Jeff Hunt and Taylor McElligott lost to Hendon/Palomino of Umatilla, 3-8. Hunt/McElligott then defeated Carlson/Hall of Sherman County, 8-5. Paul Neiffer and Johnny Collin lost to Cook/Flores of Stanfield, 2-8, in the first round. Then in the consolation bracket, Neiffer/Collin defeated Ureno/McCullough, of Weston McEwen, 9-8, with a tiebreaker score of 9-7.

Ione tennis competes at Helix

Ione tennis teams traveled to Helix on Friday, April 19. The women won all three of their matches while the men won one of eight matches.

Macarena Esposito defeated Sue Tongtorrith, 8-5 and Sara Peck defeated Mandi Scott, 8-1. Meghan McCabe and Sara Peck teamed up to defeat Sue Tongtorrith and Mandi Scott, 8-0.

In men's action, Colin McElligott lost a tight match to

Ben Schwarz, 6-8. Aaron Tworek fell to Kurt Scott, 6-8. Tyler Raible posted the only win for the lone men, defeating Ryan Harris, 8-6. Brian Bunch lost to Chance Penn, 5-8. Jeff Hunt took Tyson Reger into a tiebreaker losing, 5-7, for a score of 8-9. Billy Ross and Taylor McElligott lost their doubles match against Ben Schwarz and Tyson Reger, 2-6. Johnny Collin and Brian Bunch posted a 3-8 loss against Kurt Scott and Chance Penn.

Because of a conflict, Hunt and Neiffer had to drop out of the tournament, creating a team of Taylor McElligott and Johnny Collin. The team of McElligott/Collin won the championship bracket for consolation, defeating Carlson/Hall of Sherman County, 8-1.

In singles action, Colin McElligott defeated Roger Bauman of Weston McEwen, 8-3. McElligott lost his second match to Cole Shelton of Sherman County, 1-8. McElligott then played Alonso Rivera of Stanfield for fourth place, losing 8-9, with a tiebreaker score of 7-9. Aaron Tworek lost to Tim Mollerstrom of La Grande, 3-8. Tworek then defeated Bill Routson of Umatilla, 8-3, in the consolation bracket. Tyler Raible lost his first match to Levi Morrison of La Grande, 0-8. Raible was unsuccessful in his second match against Charles Coronado of Mac Hi, 0-8.

Mustang JVs score late to beat Pirates

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV baseball team scored three runs with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning, escaping with a 4-3 win over the Riverside Pirates in Heppner on Monday, April 15. With the win, the Mustangs' record improves to 4 and 0. They played a home game against the Hermiston Frosh on April 19 and a road game at Pendleton against their frosh team.

The Pirates scored a run in the top of the first inning and made it holed up until the bottom of the third when the Mustangs' Nick Christman singled, Jode Coil walked and Luke Murray sacrificed them to second and third. Kiel Nairns then singled to score Christman to tie it up at 1-1.

The game stayed that way until the Pirates scored single runs in the sixth and seventh innings to take a 3-1 lead into the bottom of the seventh.

With two outs, Chuy Elguezabal reached on an error and stole second and third as Nairns walked. Josh Gutierrez had an RBI single and went to second on the throw home. Both runners came home as Ben Turrell reached on an error to give the Mustangs the come-from-behind win.

Christman went four innings, allowing one hit and one run while striking out four. Gutierrez pitched two innings, allowing two hits and one run with two strikeouts. Coil picked up the win by pitching the seventh, giving up one run on two hits.

John Franswa went one for one with two walks, with Murray and Nairns each going one for three.

Statistics
Riverside: 100 001 1-3 5

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Shawn Dirksen and Derek Hancock; Nick Christman, Josh Gutierrez (5), Jode Coil (7) and John Franswa. W-Coil. L-Dirksen. 2B: Riverside-Dirksen, Sonny Phipps. 3B-none. HR-none.

Mustangs sweep Rockets in CBC play

By Rick Paullus

It took five innings for the Heppner Mustangs' offense to wake up on Saturday, April 20, but when they did, they exploded for seven runs in the sixth inning to take a 9-1 win over the visiting Pilot Rock Rockets in the first game of the Columbia Basin Conference doubleheader. The Mustangs continued their offensive onslaught, scoring nine runs in the first three innings of the second game and eventually won, 10-2, to get the sweep, improving their CBC record to 4 and 1 and in first place, and moving their overall record to 10 and 4.

The Mustangs play a doubleheader at Umatilla on Friday, April 26, beginning at 2 p.m., before hosting Condon on Tuesday, April 30, with first place on the line.

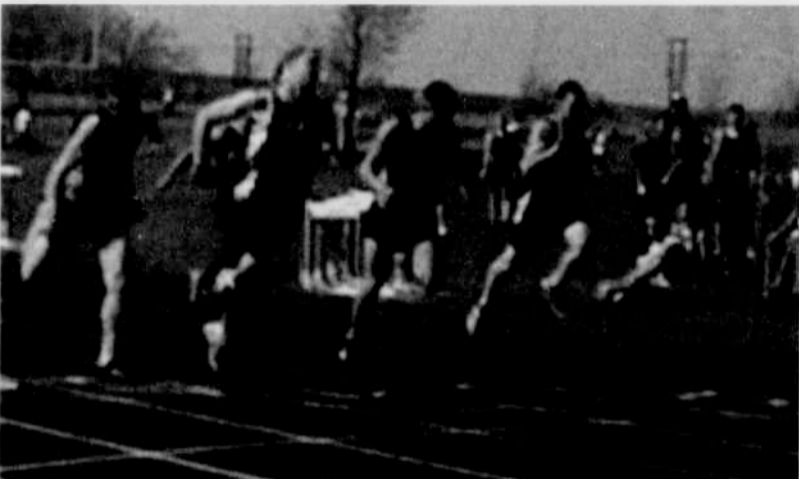
Ione mayor declares "Back to School Week"

Ione city mayor, Betty Gray, has proclaimed the week of April 29-May 3 to be "Back to School Week".

Back to School Week is a statewide program that encourages community members to visit their neighborhood schools, meet faculty and students and see first hand what and how students are learning.

Only one in four adults have children in public school. This program is directed toward that 75 percent of adults who don't have the chance to be as involved with public schools as parents are. One of the goals of Back to School Week is to reach out to legislators and voters who make decisions regarding the fates of public schools.

Boardman invitational track meet



Andrew Reitman Ione 1st place, Mike Radie Ione 4th place. Riverside took 2nd and 3rd in a tight finish

By Debbie Radie

On April 19, the Ione Cardinal track teams traveled to Boardman to take place in the first ever French Invite.

The Cardinal boys team came away with first place in the meet, edging Riverside by 1.5 points. The boys were led by Brad Burright, who took first in the 110m hurdles with a time of 15.04. Burright also took first in the 300m hurdles with a time of 40.29 and first in the long jump, jumping 21'9.5". Andrew Rietmann placed first in the 100m dash at 11.49, second in the 200m dash with a time of 23.75, and second in the 400m dash ending at 52.33.

Mike Radie finished fourth in the 100m dash with a time of 11.85 and eighth in the 200m dash with a time of 24.45. Cayle Krebs finished fourth in the discus, throwing 122'10". Ashley Roberts placed sixth in the javelin with a throw of 138'8" and eighth in the triple jump with a jump of 36-5. The 4x100 relay team of Radie, Rietmann, Krebs and Burright finished third at 44.96.

The girls' team placed fourth overall with a score of 59 points. Diana McElligott finished first in the 100m dash with a time of 12.09, first in the 200m dash with a time of 27.69, and second in the 400m dash with 1:03.31. Amelia Peck took third in the discus with a throw of 97-6, fifth in the 100m hurdles with a time of 18.03, and sixth in the 300m hurdles with a time of 52.17.

Cyndi Heagy placed fourth in the 400m dash with a time of 1:04.92. The 4x100m relay team of D. McElligott, Heagy, Peck and Natalie McElligott finished second at 52.35.

NOHA award given

Kristina Powell, a senior at Ione High School, has received a \$2,000 Northeast Oregon Homebuilders Association scholarship.

Powell plans to attend Eastern Oregon University in LaGrande in the fall and study mechanical engineering.

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