

## Nordic club to meet

The Arbuckle Nordic Club will hold its annual meeting at the Ewing home on Sunday, December 11. There will be a business meeting at 6:30 p.m. with pie and ice cream to follow. The main topic of discussion will be trip planning for the upcoming ski season and then sharing of photos and stories from last year. For more information, contact club Activities Director Steve Brownfield at 541-676-9696 or club Chair Dave Fowler at 541-676-9109.

## Rocket club holds launch day

The South Morrow County 4-H Rocket Club held a launch day Sunday, December 4 at their Hardman launch site on Wyland Grade Road.

Jerry Gentry, Sam Myers and Treo Ranches allowed the club to launch and retrieve rockets on their properties at the Hardman launch site. John Breidenbach donated rocket motors for the launch.

After the warmer-than-forecast day Saturday, club members were not ready for the weather change; it was 30 degrees Fahrenheit when the first members got there at 8:30 a.m., and the highest the

weather station hit all day was 39 F. With the absolutely blue sky, though, participants had no trouble seeing anything in the sky all day.

Jason Palmer and Pat Struthers mowed out the range and parking area on Saturday. On Sunday, they got the range set up, put the coffee and cocoa on, and had everything ready to go by 9:45 a.m.

Five participants gathered at the launch site on Sunday. Palmer and the club president, daughter Hannah Palmer, arrived at 10 a.m. to join leader Pat Struthers, and the three got busy flying rockets. Darrell Smith of Pendleton got to the field about 11 a.m., and John Breidenbach arrived about 1 p.m.

The club had a total of 23 flights, including one A, four Bs, 13 Cs, three Ds, one F and one H.

The Palmers put seven rockets in the air, including the new Der Red Max. Jason had a modified Alpha on a C6-5 with canards that did a very wild loop-under-power but ended up nose-up.

Smith tested out his F Egglofter entry (complete with egg but without altimeter) for tower compatibility. After lots of tweaking and some graphite on the rails, it boosted up perfectly straight and very high on an F25-9, probably to 2,500-3,000 feet. It had a perfect chute but then the wind took it. Smith looked for an hour and came back; Struthers followed his own line on it and walked directly to it, 3,000 feet south of the pad, in the shade against a diversion ditch.

Smith later put up his Diablo on a very snarky H123W; the chute tangled but it survived a bounce landing well.

Briedenbach had repaired the motor mount of his Estes Bullpup since the October launch, and flew it perfectly three times on a B and two Cs. He also flew three other new rockets, and had short hikes for retrieval.

Struthers flew another test of his 24mm Super-Roc Duration entry on a D12-5. Once again, it looped under power about 200 feet up, continued ver-



South Morrow County 4-H Rocket Club president Hannah Palmer, trying to decide on a rocket to get ready, but mostly just freezing, during a chilly December 4 launch day. -Photo by Pat Struthers

tical and popped out the chute nicely. He also flew his Estes Snitch saucer for the 34th time in its career.

Struthers also tested out the new tower hardware with six flights of his Altitude Gamer rocket; he flew four flights with a C6-7, and had a lot of trouble with it tipping in the wind. The two D12-7 flights were higher and more consistent, one reaching 1,832 feet and 290 miles per hour according to the altimeter.

Everyone was fro-

zen out by 3 p.m., so the group packed up, cleaned up, and was off the range by 4 p.m. Everyone is looking forward to another successful launch day on December 18, but hopefully with less wind and less cold.

Aside from the upcoming December date, other public launches are scheduled for January 8 and 22. More information is available by emailing Pat Struthers at patstr@uci.net or at www.wyrdchao.net/VAB/4h/.

It was the 10th day before Christmas....  
**Wee Bit Western Christmas Gather**  
 Thursday, December 15th thru Saturday December 24th (Christmas Eve.)  
 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
 Holiday Open House (Dec. 15th) & Christmas Eve.  
 Join us for refreshments  
 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
 Come browse our Western fine art, photography and unique gifts.  
 We'll be in the old Video Store  
 across from the library  
 in Heppner  
 Gail Meyer Photography Creations 541-980-8107  
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**2 bedroom home** on large lot in Lex Lots of room for a garden and other activities with this 2 bedroom 1 bath single wide mobile home in Lexington. Lots of upgrade including new flooring, new roof, insulation, new vinyl windows, water heater and much more. **\$60,000**

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 Classic home near downtown Heppner. Enjoy the unique look of this classic home, including a covered upstairs porch and ornate wood designs. This 4 bedroom 2 bath is close to shopping, the city park and school. Nice neighborhood, well kept yard.

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**4 bedroom 1 bath fixer upper** Owner will carry contract on this fixer upper in Heppner. Needs work but would make good first home or turn into a rental. Make an appointment to see today.

**New Listing!**  
**2 Bedroom 1 bath home on 24.26 acres in Lexington.** Close to town with your own piece of land. Rare small parcel with home and shop. Have some animals or just elbow room from your neighbors. Several parcels could be resold. Home is in good condition with foundation, newer septic system, metal roof and large upstairs that could be used as another bedroom. **\$175,000**

**Motivated Seller make an offer!**  
 Reduced Price! **\$125,000**  
**2 bedroom 2 bath in Heppner.** This nice 2007 Mariatt home is in excellent condition. Everything was done right when this home was put in. It has a deck, cyclone fenced yard and a 18 X 31 garage. Ceiling fans, along with the energy package will keep you warm in the winter and cool in the summer. There is a den/office, living room and lots of extras. Must see inside this one. Call and schedule an appointment today.

**2 Building lots in Heppner**  
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**5,250 sq foot lot \$6,500**  
**Nice views of town!**  
**5,000 sq foot lot \$1,900**

**3 Bedroom 2 bath home in Lexington** This home has metal roof, cement foundation & propane F/A. 128 X 121.66 lot. 2465 sq ft home has full basement and large fenced yard with apple, nectarine and cherry trees. Garage. **\$116,000**

**Price Reduction \$129,000**  
**4 bedroom 2 bath home in Heppner.** You won't feel cramped in this 4 bedroom 2 bath 2146 sq ft home. It has a full basement with mini kitchen downstairs, and fully carpeted rooms upstairs. Enjoy barbecuing on the covered patio. And there's lots of room for a garden in the large backyard. Call now for an appointment to visit this home.

**\$98,000**  
**2 Bedroom near schools and downtown Heppner** Just blocks from school and downtown shopping, this 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath charmer has a fenced yard for children and a separate small yard in the back. Enjoy your reading room, living room and kitchen with window looking out on the street.

**3 Bedroom 2 bath near downtown** This two story home is close to grade school and has fenced back yard. Central A/C and Electric F/A. Carpet, laundry room and large family room downstairs. Dishwasher refrigerator and stove included. **\$120,000**

**\$82,500**  
**Price Reduction**  
**Cute 3 bedroom in Heppner.** A nice fenced yard for the kids located on a quiet street. Storage shed outback and new lawn just planted makes this three bedroom one bath home ready to move into. Vinyl siding and windows, side deck, stove-refrigerator-washer-dryer included. Great starter home or pick it up as a rental. Has a carport too.

**View lot at Lakeview Heights.** Own one of the last view lots at Lakeview Heights. 84 X 120 approx. Water, sewer, phone and power available. **\$25,000**

**Acreage for Sale**  
**38.67 Acres inside Heppner city limits** Has a good building spot and room for animals. Water and electricity located nearby. **\$65,000**

**\$110,000**  
**2 apartments and shop building for Sale in Lexington** On the bottom floor is a former auto body shop and a 1 bedroom apartment newly remodeled renting for \$350. Upstairs is a 2 bedroom apartment that has been completely redone renting for \$375. Building has a good roof and owner says the shop has been completely rewired.

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