

Ready to be the 'Biggest Winner'?



A new Biggest Winner Weight Loss Competition will begin at the end of this month.

The popular weight-loss competition and lifestyle program was such a success the first time around, the Morrow County Community Health Improvement Partnership (MCCHIP) has decided to bring it back for another go-around.

Registration and initial weigh-in will take place from 6-7 p.m. on Aug. 28 and September 4, both Tuesdays. The competition will run for 12 weeks, until the week of Nov. 19. Competition fee is \$20 for each participant; the contest will

include both individual and team competitions. Physical activity is offered free.

Weekly weigh-ins and activities will take place from 6-7 p.m. every Tuesday at Heppner Elementary School, Ione Community Church, Sam Boardman Elementary and Irrigon Jr./Sr. High School. A ticket will be given for each week of participation to enter in a random drawing for a prize at the end of the program. Every participant will also receive a t-shirt.

Prizes will be awarded for the greatest weight lost as a percentage of total body weight. Top prize for individual weight loss is \$200; top team weight loss prize is \$400. Initial and final weigh-ins are required to compete for prize money and participation prizes.

For more information on the Biggest Winner program or MCCHIP, contact 541-676-2538 or <http://www.ohsu.edu/MCCHIP>.

ODFW collars Snake River pup

On Aug. 2, ODFW successfully captured and radio-collared a wolf of the Snake River Pack. This was the first collar for this pack.

The 49-pound male pup was in excellent condition and was of a size which could easily handle the lightweight VHF collar. The collar will allow ODFW to monitor the pack in this remote portion of Oregon.

A July 25 survey found that the Snake River pack has at least three pups. Pho-

tos taken by remote camera also show at least three adults in the pack.

ODFW surveys also confirmed that the Umatilla River wolf pair has pups. Multiple tracks were found during a summer survey but the exact number of pups is still unknown.

The Imnaha Pack has at least six pups this year, a July 8 survey on US Forest Service lands southeast of Joseph found. There may be more pups but this is the most up-to-date number for the pack.

Justice Court Report

Morrow County Justice of the Peace Ann Spicer has released the following Justice Court Report.

-Jon David Hanna, 35, of Heppner was found guilty of failure to use a seatbelt. He was fined \$110.

4-H horse shows country pride during pre-fair show

Two competitors head for master showman competition

The first kickoff event of the 2012 Morrow County Fair season was the 4-H horse show, held at the fairgrounds in Heppner on July 15.

Four horse 4-H members were there, ready to compete and show their stuff. The morning started with a judge's meeting for the members, explaining to the members what the judge expected and would like to see.

The first class was showmanship, which is a halter class focusing on what kind of ground manners the kids have learned along with their horses. Next, the group moved to western equitation, which is a class on how well the kids can ride and make their animals maneuver through a pre-set pattern.

Another test was the trail course, which is set up

like an obstacle course, requiring both horse and rider to work together in order to accomplish certain, specific tasks. On the lighter side, 4-H horse members got to participate in gaming events like barrel racing, a flag race, a keyhole race, pole bending, and a figure eight race.

English riding events are available; however, there were no entries this year.

After a fun-packed day, when the dust settled, there were two members who stood above the others. This year, two members and two horses will participate in the Master Showman contest... something that has not happened in a few years.

The two girls competing in Master Showman during the fair are members of the Range Riders 4-H group and are: junior member,



Two 4-H horse competitors will head into master showmanship during the fair this year, something that hasn't happened for several years. (L-R) Mocha, Mocha's rider and reserve champion showman Miranda Taylor, Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Queen Maggie Collins, Shadow, and Shadow's rider and champion showman Ashley Price. -Contributed photo

Ashley Price, Champion; and intermediate member, Miranda Taylor, Reserve Champion.

The Master Showman competition will be held on Friday afternoon, August 18, at the fairgrounds. The

showmanship champions and reserve champions of all the livestock categories will compete together, showing each species available at fair to see who the best, all-around showman really is.

Over the Tee Cup

The ladies of Willow Creek Country Club were treated to a beautiful, if hot, day of play Tuesday, August 7.

Low gross of the field was held by Darcee Mitchell with 37. Pat Edmundson, Corol Mitchell and Lorrene Montgomery tied for low net with scores of 31. Suzanne Jepsen had the least putts with 14.

For flight A, Sarah

Rucker had low gross and Suzanne Jepsen had K.P. On flight B, Pat Dougherty took the low gross, while Lynnea Sargent had the low net and Lorrene Montgomery had K.P. For flight C, Betty Carlson had the low gross, Ann Elgin had low net and Sarah Rucker had K.P.

Pat Edmundson had a chip-in on #8.

Family fun day Sept. 29

Area residents are asked to mark their calendars for Sept. 29.

On Saturday, Sept. 29, from noon until 6 p.m., the churches of the greater Heppner area, along with Hermiston churches and several local agencies, will sponsor a family fun day at the Morrow County Fairgrounds.

The event will include music, family activities, guest speakers and displays in addition to hot dogs and hamburgers. This event is free to the community.

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office reports handling the following business:

May 22: -BPD issued a citation to Kevin Royce Daugherty, 43.

-During the same traffic stop, BPD arrested a 21-year-old female subject on to UCSO warrants for failure to appear on solicit B/felony delivery of methamphetamine and failure to appear on failure to appear.

-During the same traffic stop, BPD arrested a 30-year-old male subject on Pendleton Court charges of dealing a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance and felon in possession of a weapon.

-BPD received a call advising them of suspicious calls being made by adult males to a teenage girl. Two different numbers were contacting the female.

-MCSO cited Jennifer Susan Sampson, 27, for violating the speed limit 90/65.

May 23: -MCSO issued a citation to Beckett Bayer, 21, for violating the speed limit 85/65.

May 24: -BPD received a call from someone who advised several male subjects were on his property threatening him, has a long sword, and is going to get all his guys and going to get his guns and shoot them up now.

May 25: -Caller from Irrigon told MCSO she had a confrontation with her daughter-in-law; stated that her daughter-in-law tried to hit her son with their car. Caller stepped in and had confrontation at that time.

Female was last seen heading east on Oregon Ave.

-A Heppner woman called MCSO and advised that someone knocked on her door and she didn't know who; they are gone and she will call back if they return to her residence.

-MCSO issued a citation to Luz Maria Rojas, 23, for violating the speed limit 86/65 and driving while suspended violation.

-MCSO issued a citation to Garry Gene Duhamel, 38, for violating the speed limit 87/65.

-A man in Heppner called MCSO and advised that he was doing yard work and a door was kicked in at the house in the back. He advised that the door was broken, wood was missing and the latch was broken.

-MCSO cited Dustin Lee Gunderson, 30, for violating the basic rule 85/65.

-A woman from Irrigon called MCSO and reported that a male was causing a disturbance and had gotten the guns in the bedroom; the kids were not there. MCSO arrested James Lee, 39, for harassment, interfering with a 911 call and criminal mischief II. Subject was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

-Called from Irrigon advised MCSO that no one was supposed to be in the neighboring residence but there was a female in there at that time. Subjects were on the scene; they were cleaners.

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Two lost pets have happy endings



Chelsea

Almost everyone is familiar with the sight of "lost pet" posters on telephone poles and post office bulletin boards. Rarely, though, do we hear what Paul Harvey would have called, "The rest of the story," regarding these missing pets.

That isn't the case this week.

Two lost pets from south Morrow County have made their way home this week thanks to the kindness of strangers.

The first is a female blue merle Australian shepherd lost by the Nance family of Rhea Creek. They lost the dog, Chelsea, last Sunday. They last saw her between Ritter Road, turn-off to Penland Lake Rd. and Willow Creek Rd. They immediately started canvassing friends and neighbors and circulating posters.

The story took a happy turn when the Nances received a call from a woman at Cutsforth Park who had recognized the dog. A young family had found Chelsea by the side of the road and taken her home with them to Hermiston, where she waited for her family to retrieve her.

The second found pet is a polydactyl (many-toed) tabby kitten named Cy, who belongs to the Di Salvo family. The kitten went missing last Tuesday. The family, who lives on a farm outside of Lexington, searched everywhere before resigning themselves to having lost Cy forever.

That is, they were resigned until Andrea Di Salvo walked into a back room at Howe's About Pizza Monday morning. She saw what she thought was a kitten who looked like Cy. Upon closer examination, she realized it was, indeed, Cy... a fact given away by the extra toes on the kitten's feet. Ron Howe had found her in the pizzeria's parking lot and placed her in a storage room—away from the food—hoping an owner would come looking for the friendly little cat.

How Cy traveled the 12 miles from her home to Howe's remains open to speculation. What is important to her family is that she is now safe at home... where they hope she'll stay.



Cy

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6:30-8:30 TILLER'S FOLLY

8:30-10:00 JAMIE NASARIO & LUKE BASILE

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