

Mustang golfers battle rough weather, competing teams to win top spots at tournament

Battling through bad weather conditions all day long, the Heppner High School girls' and boys' golf teams won titles at the Enterprise tournament.

With consistent winds blowing 20 mph and gusts up to 43 mph it was hard to get the ball to do what you wanted it to do or go where you wanted it to go.

There were also rain squalls that moved through the area, bringing a drizzle at times.

The temperature was in the mid-40s and, with the wind chill, it felt much colder than that. Snow could be seen falling in the mountains nearby. It is an understatement to say that the teams had to play in very tough conditions.

The Heppner girls' team won the tournament with a score of 420. Enterprise finished in second place with a 452. Blake Greenup fought through the tough weather conditions and won individual medalist honors by shooting an 88. Amanda Rea finished in



Mustang golf medal winners (L-R) Blake Greenup, Logan Grieb and Amanda Rea. —Contributed photo

second place on the day with a score of 103. Paige Grieb, Macy Gibbs and Maddie Lindsay played well for the Mustangs and factored into the team win.

Logan Grieb battled the weather and 31 other players to win the boys' division. Grieb recorded two birdies on the day and won with a score of

81. John Prophet, Jesse Corbin, Shane Miles and Caden Hedman all made the trip and played some good golf for Heppner in the less-than-ideal weather conditions. The Mustang team score of 384 beat teams from Enterprise (386), Cove (404), Wallowa (417), Stanfield/Echo (499) and Grant Union (504).

Heppner students place in district math contest

On April 9, the Heppner Elementary and Heppner Junior High students participated in the annual Morrow County District Math Contest in Irrigon.

Eighteen participants per grade level, third through eighth, from the district schools gathered to take a math test with 50 math problems and one hour to complete them.

The tests were scored immediately, results announced and ribbons given to the students.

Heppner results were: For third grade, first place, Ty Boor; second place, Trevor Nichols, Hailey Wenberg and Madison Palmer; third place, Camryn Scrivner; and Kells Ferguson receiving a participation ribbon.

For fourth grade, first place, Kylie Boor; second place, Cody Fletcher; sixth place, Seth Grigg; tenth place, Roen Waite; with Blane Mahoney and Mason Alleman receiving participation ribbons.

For fifth grade, second place, Rylee Bray and Madelyn Nichols; third



Top (L-R): Sam Grigg, Jackson Lehman, Kami Holtz, Nicole Prophet, Casey Fletcher, and Gavin Robinson. Top middle (L-R): Hannah Palmer, Aimee Turrell, Rylee Bray, Madelyn Nichols, Serenity Rodriguez and Cami VanArsdale. Bottom middle (L-R): Mason Alleman, Blane Mahoney, Cody Fletcher, Seth Grigg, Roen Waite and Kylie Boor. Bottom (L-R): Kells Ferguson, Camryn Scrivner, Hailey Wenberg, Trevor Nichols, Madison Palmer and Ty Boor. —Contributed photo

place, Jackson Lehman and Aimee Turrell; sixth place, Serenity Rodriguez; and seventh place, Hannah Palmer.

For sixth grade, first place, Kami Holtz; second place, Nichole Prophet; third place, Casey Fletcher; seventh place, Gavin Robinson and Cami VanArsdale; and eighth place, Sam Grigg.

For seventh grade, first place, Jaiden Mahoney;

second place, Jacee Currin; third place, Hunter Nichols and Olivia Schmidt; fourth place, Gibson McCurry; and sixth place, Keegan Gibbs.

For eighth grade, first place, Mitchell VonGunten and Sophie Grant; second place, Cara Arbogast; fourth place, Alex Lindsay; sixth place, Katlyn Harper; and seventh place, Morgan Correa.

Lien earns golf honors

Chris Lien, a sophomore at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, ID, has had a busy year, raking in golf honors playing for the Lewis-Clark Warriors despite the team's overall poor season.



Chris Lien

Lien, 22, a native of Heppner, transferred to LCSC from the University of Idaho. He has had a busy season, taking fourth at the Warrior Invite in March, followed by first place at the Whitman Invite April 19-20. Lien tied with

Walla Walla Community College's Eli Mendez for the top spot when both men

shot a 144 over two rounds, but Lien birdied the third playoff hole to take medalist honors. His performance at Whitman helped his team take the invite title that weekend.

In addition to his role in individual tournaments, Lien was selected first team all-conference for Frontier Conference; he finished fifth in conference play. He also won the NAIA

(National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) "Champions of Character" award for Lewis-Clark men's golf.

Lien is the son of Denis and Tamera Lien of Heppner; he has a brother, Kevin, and two sisters, Wendy and Misty. He plans to major in business marketing at LCSC. A graduate of Heppner High School, Lien earned eight varsity letters in four sports, two in football, three in basketball, one in baseball and two in golf.

Bookshelves ready to read, share

The Re(a)d Bookshelves are stocked with books just waiting for readers young and old.

The Friends of the Heppner Library refresh the supply of books, as needed, at Heppner Laundromat, Cornerstone Gallery & Gift Shop, the Pioneer Memorial Clinic waiting room, the Pioneer Memorial Hospital waiting room, Bucknum's Tavern and Cutsforth Park.

Anyone is free to take a book to read and return it for another, keep it or pass it on to a friend.

Anyone with a book to share, bring it along and exchange it for one on the shelf.



Shirley Clark stands with one of the red bookshelves that are ready for use thanks to the Friends of the Heppner Library. —Contributed photo

Shirley Clark reports that she is especially busy keeping the one at the Laundromat filled.

The bookshelves were

built, and painted, by John Anderson and Sally Walker, both members of the Friends of the Heppner Library.

Heppner students experience art, culture in Portland



Heppner High School teacher John Flaherty (center) chats with Kai Arbogast while students Isaac Grigg, Natalie Grigg, Mallorie Jones and Lillian Sandford talk and enjoy the scenery. —Contributed photo

Friday, May 2, 11 students met at Heppner High school at nine in the morning to head to Portland for two days of fun. The students began their trip with an art and culture event at the Portland Expo Center.

That Friday afternoon, the students attended a performance by the famous Canadian Cirque du Soleil. This circus is the largest theatrical producer in the world, known as "A dramatic mix of circus arts and street entertainment."

After the performance, the students went to the Spaghetti Factory for dinner, the circus performance still buzzing in their minds. Comments such as, "It was awesome," and, "I gave a creative outlook on the evolution of man," were said across plates of pasta. Everyone said that they had fun.

The next day, Saturday May 3, 11 future Heppner writers attended the thirtieth

annual Oregon Writing Festival that was held at Portland State University. Over 300 students from Oregon schools attended the daylong writing celebration. Students attended workshops and sharing groups where three renowned writers were

available for suggestions and helpful ideas on writing styles. According to Mallorie Jones, a Heppner senior, "The writing festival is constructive and helps young writers be more confident in themselves. You learn how to share your ideas and see a different perspective of writing by listening to those around you share their own ideas."

Junior high student Sophie Grant commented, "Most of what we did in the workshops I already knew, but it still helped me sharpen the skills I already have."

All 11 students were grateful to the Booster Club and the Arts and Culture Club for their generous donations. Natalie Grigg, Isaac Grigg, Lillian Sandford, Mallorie Jones, Makenzi Hughes, Joe Schmidt, Kai Arbogast, Kellie Eadler, Cara Arbogast, Katlyn Harper and Sophie Grant would not have been able to participate in either event without their support.

Heppner inducts honor society



Heppner High School held its National Honor Society induction ceremony Wednesday, May 7. Pictured (L-R) are returning member Paige Grieb, newly-inducted NHS members for 2014-15 Natalie Grigg, Seth Palmer, Ryan Dougherty and Lexi Bray, and returning member Maddie Lindsay. —Photo by David Sykes



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