

VHS volleyball team starts strong, wins Scappoose tournament

All three Vernonia High School volleyball teams started this year with a bang as they each rolled up a win Sept. 7 against Marshall High School in Portland.

To make the first week of competition even more exciting, the Varsity team won the 3A Scappoose Invitational last Saturday! Vernonia was the only 2A team there, along with six 3A teams and one 4A school.

The Loggers were very determined throughout the day. They passed and attacked

well and played ferocious defense.

Scappoose Invitational Scores:

Pool Play—	
vs. Wilsonville	15-3,15-2
vs. Stayton	15-9,15-1
vs. Scappoose	15-9,15-8
Bracket Play—	
vs. Central	15-2,15-8
vs. The Dalles	15-11,15-5
vs. Stayton	11-15,15-6, 15-11

"This was a big tournament win for us," said Head Coach Dan Foss, "but we know that important league matches are ahead, and we have to keep

things in perspective."

At Marshall, the Varsity utilized tough serving, relentless defense and aggressive hitting to down the Minute-maids, 15-7, 15-6.

Stacy Ochoa and Jennifer

Young each had seven kills while Molly Skidmore and Michelle Busch contributed four aces each. Captain Tarah Pond ran the offense, had nine assists and added five kills.

Varsity team members are Michelle Busch, Amber Dennis, Stacy Ochoa, Tarah Pond, Brandy Richardson, Molly Skidmore, Denise Titus, Jennifer Young and Tory Young.

JVI team gains experience, wins

Vernonia High School JVI volleyball is off to another great year with a victorious first match, 13-15, 15-6, 15-7, at Portland's Marshall High School.

Seniors Brandy Morrison, Ronda Baker and Juniors Charlotte Koch and Amanda Dennis are all returnees from last year's team. New to JV I this year are freshmen Allie

JVII volleyball team marks up first win

Vernonia High School's JVII volleyball team has a large group of talented girls who brought home a win in their first game, 15-13, 15-9, over Marshall High School in Portland.

"The game was won with excellence in serving," said Assistant Coach Dawn Buckner, "It was a confidence-builder for a young team. Throughout the season we will work on learning the game, and sharpening skills."

The fourteen team members are already finding their specialty positions. Team Captain is senior Deanna Beierschmitt.

The remaining team members are Laci Brucken, April Buckner, Kari Cradit, Kristina Hanson, Lisa Holbrook, Rebecca Johanson, Jacque Lee, Misty Linke, Feliz Lohr, Penrhynn Nelson, Magali Roquefort, Jennifer Sonnenburg, Franzie Zumsteg.

Bike Rodeo slated Sept. 30 in Vernonia Dist. 1 convention...

Young bicycle riders are asked to wear their helmets and bring their bikes to Washington Grade School September 30 for a Bicycle Safety Rodeo.

The Bicycle Safety Rodeo is sponsored by the Oregon State Police Law Enforcement Explorer Scouts of Columbia County, with support from the Oregon State Police, Scappoose office, and the Vernonia Police Department. It will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the back parking lot of WGS.

The event will include information on bicycle safety, what the new laws are regarding bicycles and free bicycle registration. Courses will be set up to practice bicycle safety skills.

Krahn and Ellie Prpich, and sophomores, Jessica Stacklie, Jessica Jones, Tami Almond, Ashley Weller, Rebekkah McAlvage and Erin Davis.

"I'm just proud to be part of this fantastic volleyball program we have at Vernonia High," said Assistant Coach Doug Tesdal, "Dan Foss is one of the premier volleyball coaches in Oregon and we should be grateful to have him at our school."


Foss is also the League Chairman again.




Vernonia school superintendent Ellis Mason happily accepts a check for \$2,000 from Sentry Market co-owner Chuck Hendryx. Looking on are store manager Randy Parrow and grade school principal Randy Aultman.

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