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## Tidal Wave

### Fallon holds off two Manogue rallies to win season opener

By Robert Perea  
Range Media

Fallon showed again it can win close games against good opponents, holding off two Bishop Manogue comebacks to win its season opener over the Miners, 32-30 last Friday.

The Greenwave won three playoff games that were up for grabs in the fourth quarter on their way to the 3A State championship game last season, and Friday’s opener fit a similar pattern as Fallon protected leads of 26-10 and 32-23 before closing out the win.

“They just know how to handle adversity,” coach Calvin Connors said. “They understand that football is a great example of life, and you’re going go through ups and downs, but it’s about how you respond, and we always believe we’re one play away.”

Connors believes big plays often create other big plays, and the Greenwave proved him right time and again on Friday.

After taking a 6-0 lead less than a minute into the second quarter, Maxton Richardson intercepted a pass by Bishop Manogue quarterback Parker Scholl and returned it to the Miners’ 47-yard line On the next play, Camden Richardson and Drake Rowlett connected for a 47-yard touchdown pass to put Fallon up 13-3.

The Greenwave capitalized on another Manogue turnover with a 60-yard touchdown run by Alijah Juarez to make it 19-3.

Fallon led 26-10 at the half before the Miners scored twice to cut it to 26-23, but



Fallon’s Calvin Connors encourages his players before a state semifinal game at Virgin Valley last November.

Camden Richardson’s 35-yard touchdown pass to Maxton Richardson extended the margin back to 32-23 with 4:16 left in the game.

Scholl’s 50-yard touchdown pass to Lucas Lyles drew the Miners within 32-30 and the Miners got the ball back with one last chance, but Angel Quezada made a diving interception of a tipped pass with 1:42 left to seal the win.

Camden Richardson completed 12 of 16 passes for 265 yards and four touchdowns. Maxton Richardson’s two receptions were both touchdowns. Calin Ander-

son caught eight passes for 163 yards and a touchdown, and Rowlett caught two passes for 54 yards and one score. Juarez led the rushing attack with 114 yards and a touchdown on 13 carries.

The Greenwave defense made 11 tackles for loss, including three each by Maxton Richardson and Juarez, and sacked Scholl three times and intercepted him twice.

“Offense and defense have to complement each other,” Connors said. “We take pride in being able to play team football and tonight was a great example of that.”

### Las Vegas Raiders name Connors as High School Coach of the Week

Fallon football coach Calvin Connors was selected as this week’s Las Vegas Raiders Tom Flores High School Coach of the Week following the Greenwave’s victory over Bishop Manogue last week.

The Tom Flores High School Coach of the Week program recognizes high school football coaches and teams for building successful programs and making an impact both on and off the field.

As this week’s recipient, Churchill County High School will receive a \$1,000 donation from the Las Vegas Raiders and the NFL Foundation to support the Churchill County High School football program.

Connors will also be featured on Raider Nation Radio 920 AM as part of the Coach of the Week recognition.

The win also reinforced what Connors said is the team’s identity in being from a small rural town.

“That’s who we are,” he said. “We know we represent a strong community and people who work hard and we want to exemplify that with our play.”

This week the Greenwave play at Reed, Friday at 7 p.m., and don’t have much time to celebrate what they accomplished last week, because a similar challenge is on deck this week.

“Hundred percent,” he said. “I’m excited for next week. That’ll be a fun game.”

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# Buckaroos earn first shutout win since 2015

## Lowry rolls past Wooster, 36-0 in season opener in Reno

**Buckaroos part of four-game day at Mackay Stadium on Saturday, play North Valleys at 4 p.m.**

By Tony Erquiaga  
Range Media

After losing just about all of its offensive output from a season ago, the Lowry High School football team was looking to answer some questions of its own in last Friday’s opener against Wooster in Reno.

The Buckaroos graduated three players that accounted for 18 touchdowns last year, but may have found some replacements,

Ben Marvel, who stepped in at quarter-



LOWRY FOOTBALL

The Lowry sideline looks on during its game with Wooster this past Friday at Joe Sellers Field in Reno. The Buckaroos play North Valleys in Mackay Stadium on Saturday at 4 p.m.

back last year as a sophomore, scored three times in the 36-0 win over the Colts. It was

the first shutout win for the Buckaroos, since a 40-0 victory over Dayton on Oct. 2, 2015.

Teyo Gomez, who had just one rushing touchdown as a sophomore in 2025, doubled that at Joe Sellers Field, with a pair of rushing touchdowns.

Lowry built a four- touchdown lead at halftime and quickly made it a running clock in the second half. The Buckaroos also posted a defensive touchdown with a fumble recovery and return for a score.

Lowry is back in Reno on Saturday for a 4 p.m. afternoon kickoff against North Valleys at Mackay Stadium on the campus of the University of Nevada.

Spectators are asked to park in the North Parking Lot West Stadium garage, Fans will enter through gate 5 and there is no seating available behind the endzones.

The Buckaroos are the designated away team and will be on the East side.

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Battle Mountain’s Miranda Lomeli sets the ball during a match with Carlin.

## Lady Longhorns notch four wins on home floor

**BMHS heads to Ely this weekend**

By Tony Erquiaga  
Range Media

It was an extremely busy two days for the Battle Mountain High School volleyball team at its home tournament.

The Lady Longhorns collected four wins in six matches, dropping both to eventual champion White Pine.

“Overall, a great first weekend of the preseason,” said BMHS coach Julia Ramirez. “We placed second in our pool and seeded third in the tournament. I felt that we had a great variety of teams from all corners of the state. I enjoyed being at home for the first weekend to ease us in. We already see the strengths in us, and this definitely helped us see the weaknesses that we can work on in the coming week.”

Battle Mountain kicked off the weekend with 25-19, 25-12 sweep of its neighbor to the east, Carlin.

Ella Matheus and Paitynn Johns provided the power, with six and five kills, respectfully. Keona Colver added two of her own.

Kamilia Farias contributed six aces, with Colver and Johns adding three and two, respectfully. Miranda Lomeli had a team-high 12 assists.

Battle Mountain faced another 1A

school in Round Mountain, coming away with a 25-20, 25-14 win. Farias finished with team high’s in kills (5) and aces (6), with Sofia Andrade, Matheus and Johns totaling two kills apiece. Matheus added three aces and Colver and Johns to each. Lomeli added 11 assists.

Later on, Friday afternoon, Battle Mountain took the first set from White Pine (25-20), but it was all Bobcats after that winning 25-10, 15-10. Farias (6) and Colver (4) had 10 of the 13 kills, with Farias adding five aces.

Andrade and Lomeli each had three digs, Johns two and Lomeli 13 assists.

To close out pool play, Battle Mountain outlasted the Spring Creek JV 25-21, 21-25, 15-10 to place second in the pool. Mathues (6) Farias (5) and Johns (3) picked up the kills and Matheus led the way with three aces. Lomeli had 13 assists.

In bracket play on Saturday morning, Battle Mountain swept league foe Oasis Academy 25-12, 25-15.

Johns and Farias led the hitting attack with five and four kills, respectfully, with Colver and Farias adding three aces apiece. Colver added two blocks and Lomeli 11 assists.

In the semifinals, White Pine knocked out Battle Mountain with a 25-22, 25-15 sweep. Johns finished with six kills and Matheus two aces and Lomeli nine assists.

Battle Mountain heads to Ely this weekend for the White Pine tournament to close out the regular season.



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Battle Mountain’s Rami McGrath passes to a teammate.

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# Lowry boys soccer team earns win, tie at South Tahoe tournament

**Buckaroos back to the lake this weekend to play North Tahoe, Truckee**

By Tony Erquiaga  
Range Media

The Lowry High School boys soccer team opened its season this past weekend with a two-day tournament in South Lake Tahoe.

The Buckaroos played four matches, with three of those against 5A or 4A schools. Lowry finished 1-2-1.

The opening day of the tourney saw Lowry drop a 1-0 decision to Foothill but rallying with a 5-0 victory over Fernley. Foothill, a member of the Southern 4A Desert Division, scored the lone goal in the second half to win.

In the second match on Friday, Lowry rolled to shutout victory over league foe Fernley. The Buckaroos' Johnny Leon was named the man of the match with two

goals and an assist. Josue Barajas, a junior, netted himself a hat trick.

Cris Arriola, Davis Becerra and Kale Garcia added assists.

In Saturday's opener for the Buckaroos, they faced Spanish Springs of the Northern 5A and played to a 2-2 tie with the Cougars.

Arriola found the net for both goals, in his first goals of the season. Jonathan Leon and Becerra had assists.

Lowry wrapped up the two days, with a 309 loss to Reed, also of the Northern 5A. The Raiders reached the semifinals of the Northern 5A regional tournament in 2025.

Lowry finds itself back in Lake Tahoe this weekend, beginning 3A crossover play at North Tahoe on Friday at 4:45 p.m. and Truckee on Saturday at 11:45 a.m. North Tahoe reached the state tournament a season ago.

The crossover games mean more this season, as the playoff format has changed with the league returning to a point system for the postseason seeding.



Lowry Boys Soccer  
Lowry's Kale Webber defends a Foothill player during a game with the Falcons at the South Tahoe tournament.

# Lady Bucks finish weekend with tie against Carson at South Tahoe tourney

**Lowry faces four large schools at South Tahoe tournament**

By Tony Erquiaga  
Range Media

You can find bears just about anywhere in the Lake Tahoe area. After the opening weekend of play for the Lowry High School girls soccer team, they might feel they got fed to the bears.

The Lady Bucks faced four large schools at the South Tahoe tournament, finishing with three losses and a tie.

Lowry began play on Friday against Foothill of the Southern 4A Desert Division. A goal by senior Yareli Garcia in the first half gave Lowry a 1-0 lead at the break. Fellow senior, Ava Swensen assisted on the goal.

The Falcons rallied for three goals in

the second half to win 3-1.

In the second game on Friday, Lowry took on Silverado and dropped a 2-0 decision to the Skyhawks. Silverado netted single goals in each half.

It didn't get any easier on Saturday, as Lowry opened with Bishop Gorman of the Southern 5A. The Gaels, reached the semifinals of the 5A state tournament in 2025, falling to Faith Lutheran 0-0, with the Crusaders winning on penalty kicks.

Faith Lutheran went on to win the state championship. Bishop Gorman led 3-0 at halftime and added five goals in the second half.

Lowry finished the tournament with a 0-0 tie against Carson, as senior Riley Ball recorded five saves.

Lowry makes its home debut Friday against Truckee at 4:45 p.m. The Wolverines are the 2025 state runner-up. The Buckaroos host North Tahoe on Saturday at 11:45 a.m.



Lowry Girls Soccer  
The Lowry girls soccer team makes its home debut this weekend versus Truckee and North Tahoe.

# NIAA/ JAMZ Cheer & Dance announce partnership naming JAMZ the official rules, scoring and education partner of NIAA Spirit

**Partnership supports the return of the Nevada Spirit State Championship for high school cheer and dance presented by Rebel Athletic**  
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SPARKS — The Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) and JAMZ Cheer & Dance announced a multi-year partnership naming JAMZ the exclusive official rules, scoring and education partner for NIAA Spirit.

The partnership supports the return of the Nevada Spirit State Championship, set for March 5-6, 2027, in Las Vegas presented by Rebel Athletic.

NIAA Spirit will produce the Nevada

Spirit State Championship for cheer and dance teams from Nevada high schools, with JAMZ lending its rules, scoring and coaching-education expertise to help ensure a fair, credible and professional experience for the state's student-athletes.

"Bringing this championship back has been years in the making, and doing it right meant partnering with the very best," said Deb Dowty Solari, NIAA Spirit Director. "JAMZ gives our cheer and dance coaches and student-athletes an experience they can be proud of."

"Las Vegas is home to JAMZ Nationals, and we're honored to support the NIAA and this championship," said David Nathan-Allen Sims, General Counsel & VP of Development at JAMZ Cheer & Dance. "Our focus is simple: help Nevada build a lasting, first-class program its high school cheer and dance athletes and coaches deserve."



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Fernley's Emma Masters (left) and Leah Holmes combine on a block during the Vaqueros' match against North Valleys at the Yerington Tournament last Saturday afternoon

# Fernley wins Silver Bracket championship at Yerington Volleyball Tournament

By Robert Perea  
Range Media

The Fernley High School volleyball team went 5-1 and won the Silver Bracket championship at the Yerington Tournament August 14-15.

The Vaqueros rallied after losing the first set to Dayton in three sets in the championship match Saturday afternoon.

The Vaqueros opened the tournament Friday by beating Portola in three sets, but lost the second match to Carson, 13-25, 21-25.

They finished pool play by beating Dayton 22-25, 25-16, 15-12, North Valleys 25-17, 25-19 and Coleville 25-22, 26-24.

In the championship match against Dayton they rallied from a 12-4 deficit in the first set to tie it at 23-23, before Dayton scored the final two points. As they had earlier in the day, they won the final two sets to take the championships 23-25, 25-14, 15-11.

The Vaqueros return to action Aug. 25 at 6 p.m. at Truckee.



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Fernley's Trista Menesini spikes a ball past North Valley's Keylee Federwisch.

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*Pershing County High School football coach Mike Brooks talks with his team during a scrimmage on Aug. 8, in Battle Mountain. The Mustangs open their season Friday in Portola, Calif.*

# Young Mustangs look to build off of strong two-year run in the 2A

**PCHS opens with Portola, Calif.; hosts Coral Academy on Aug. 28**

By Peggy Jones  
Range Media

The Pershing County High School football team, the 2024 2A state champions and 2025 2A state runner-up, head into the 2026 football season with a mix of returning players and young talent.

“Last season we were regular season league champions, but we lost in the state championship game,” head coach Mike Brooks said. “It was overall a great season, but that one stings.”

The Mustangs have about 40 players in the program this year, with approximately 22 on varsity and 18 on junior varsity.

Brooks said the team has a solid group of seniors along with several promising underclassmen.

Seniors Brayden Padgett and Israel Knight return as starters, while Cade Lieb-sack and Eddie Aceves also bring considerable playing experience.

Amare Rosas returns after missing last season because of an injury.

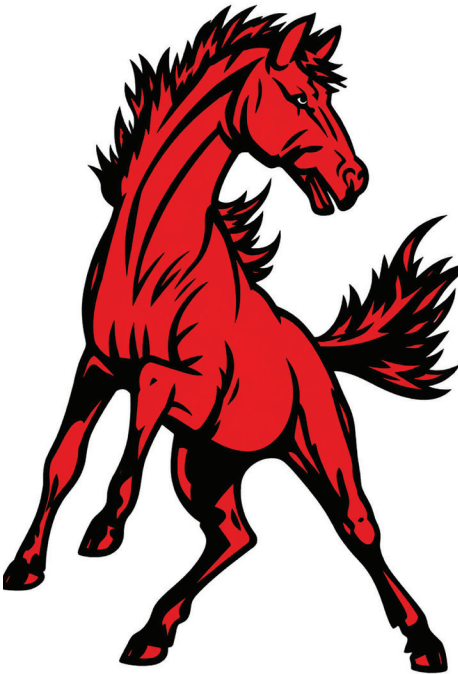
Junior Quinton McKinney is expected to be one of the Mustangs’ main offensive threats, while sophomore Ryan Houston will step in at quarterback. Brooks said several sophomores are expected to start this season.

Despite the team’s youth, Brooks believes depth will be one of its biggest advantages.

“I think our biggest strength will be the talent level,” Brooks said. “We have backups that are just as good as the starters, so we will be able to rotate a little bit.”

Brooks also expects the Mustangs to have plenty of speed and youthful energy.

The challenge will be getting the younger and more experienced players working



together and playing disciplined football.

“What we will be working on is young guys and old playing aggressive, assignment football,” Brooks said. “That’s what happens when you have a lot of non-senior players.”

Rather than focusing on championships or wins and losses, Brooks said the Mustangs are concentrating on steady improvement.

“Our goals for the season would be to meet our potential and get 1% better every single day,” Brooks said. “It’s about enjoying the process of becoming great, and not worrying about the end result.”

The Mustangs open the season on the road in California on Friday, Aug. 21, against the Portola Tigers.

They return home Friday, Aug. 28, to host the Coral Academy Falcons in league play. The JV game begins at 4:30 p.m., followed by the varsity game at 7 p.m.



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# Pershing County girls soccer team finishes 2-2 at Elko Tournament

By Peggy Jones  
Range Media

The Pershing County girls soccer team finished 2-2 at the Elko tournament, picking up wins over conference opponents West Wendover and Battle Mountain despite playing all four games without substitutes. A team must have 11 players to start a match.

The Lady Mustangs defeated West Wendover 2-0 and Battle Mountain 3-1. They fell 5-0 to Spring Creek and 8-2 to Elko.

Coach Kelly Brooks said she was impressed with the team’s effort throughout the tournament.

“We had no subs and played so hard every second of every game,” she said. “I am so impressed and proud of the nonstop effort these girls put into all four games.”

Nayeli Acosta led the Lady Mustangs offensively with six of the team’s seven goals. he scored both goals in the win over West Wendover, added a goal against Elko and scored all three goals against Battle

Mountain.

Alejandra Pineda also scored against Elko, while Camila Garcia created several dangerous scoring opportunities that narrowly missed finding the net.

The Lady Mustangs also delivered strong defensive performances. Desaray Vidrio and Elanie De Los Reyes played center back and continued playing through injuries, while Fatima Arteaga and Mili Gonzalez played outside back and helped hold the defensive line.

Freshmen Josie Brooks and Mary McBride also turned in strong performances during the tournament.

Lily Reynolds returned in goal for Pershing County, while Aaliyah Lora also got an opportunity to play goalkeeper for the first time.

The Lady Mustangs leave the tournament with wins over both conference opponents they faced and a 2-2 overall tournament record.

On Tuesday, Aug. 25, the girls host Yerington at 4 p.m. On Saturday, Aug. 29, they host Dayton at 10 a.m.



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*The 2026 PCHS girls soccer team includes: from left are coach Eva Nelson, team manager Addison Brooks, Alejandra Piñeda, Camila Garcia, Nayeli Acosta, Desaray Vidrio, Fatima Arteaga, Elanie De Los Reyes, Josie Brooks, Lily Reynolds, Mary McBride, Mili Gonzalez, Aaliyah Lora, coach Kelly Brooks and team manager Masey Brooks.*



Provided by Monica Halverson  
*The 2026-2027 JV volleyball team: From L-R: Sarah Diarte, Fernanda Gonzalez, Emmerly Ortega, Jade Albert, Hadlie Malay, Finley Delgado-Hostman, Stella Hughes, Giana Williams, Olyvia Guzman, Molly Creek, Marisa Ramirez, Aisha Leyva, Mya Gauvin, and LaReina Ramirez. Coach Courtney Brinkerhoff.*

# Mustangs open volleyball season with strong tournament showing in Yerington

**PCHS hits Lake Tahoe this weekend**

By Peggy Jones  
Range Media

The Pershing County High School volleyball teams opened its season with a preseason tournament that gave both the varsity and JV squads a chance to gain experience and find their rhythm on the court.

Varsity coach Monica Halverson said the tournament was an important early test for her 13-player roster as the Mustangs work to determine their strongest lineup and player rotations.

Led by captains Katelynn Elerick, Arya Garland and Khloe Montes, the Mustangs entered the tournament focused on communication and playing their best volleyball.

Pershing County opened Friday with a two-set loss to Dayton before bouncing back to defeat Yerington JV in two sets. The Mustangs followed with a win over Virginia City before falling to Mammoth in two sets. Halverson said Mammoth featured strong hitters from throughout the court.

Halverson said the Mustangs showed improvement with each match, particularly in court awareness, setting up the ball and regaining momentum after mistakes.

“Both teams had very successful first matches, even though our win-loss record didn’t portray that,” Halverson said.

The varsity Mustangs returned Saturday morning and finished pool play with what Halverson described as an impressive performance against Wells, defeating the Leopards in two sets.

Halverson said the Mustangs received strong play from the front row while the defense worked together well. She was particularly encouraged that the team maintained its consistency and communication as she substituted different players into the lineup.

“It was fun to watch and exciting to project what our season could be if we continue growing together as a team and stepping on the court with competitiveness and a drive to play tough,” Halverson said.

The Mustangs did not finish among the top two teams in their pool and therefore



Photo by Monica Halverson  
*Varsity coach Monica Halverson and JV coach Courtney Brinkerhoff greet the 2026-2027 volleyball season with smiles.*

did not advance to the tournament’s play-off bracket. Halverson said the format was different from previous tournaments, but the team left encouraged by its progress.

“We headed home with our heads up knowing that we are headed in the right direction,” she said.

The tournament also provided plenty of early-season experience for the JV Mustangs.

Second-year JV coach Courtney Brinkerhoff has a full 14-player roster this season. The team faced opponents from the 1A through 3A classifications.

Halverson said nerves and uncertainty were evident early, including some typical early-season rotation errors, but the players settled in and came together as a team as the tournament progressed.

With 14 players on the roster, Halverson said the JV Mustangs have plenty to learn but will also have opportunities for significant playing experience throughout the season.

Halverson did not keep individual statistics during the preseason tournament, instead focusing on evaluating players and finding the combinations that will make the Mustangs competitive as the season progresses.

The varsity Mustangs return to tournament action Aug. 21-22 in South Lake Tahoe, where they will face teams from larger classifications.

“We cannot wait to continue coming together as a powerhouse on the court,” Halverson said.

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# Vaqueros show offensive depth in opening win over Coral Academy

By Robert Perea  
Range Media

Fernley showed a new level of offensive balance in its season opener Friday night, scoring six offensive touchdowns by five different players in a 45-0 win over Coral Academy of Science.

After a season last year in which three players, departed seniors Bryce-Dunagan Stephens, Keeshawn Love and Riley McCullar, accounted for 51 of Fernley’s 55 offensive touchdowns, the Vaqueros showed explosiveness and depth in reaching the end zone six times on offense and once more on special teams.

Junior slotback Jayse Jones led the way for the Vaqueros with touchdown runs of 61 and 90 yards for his first two varsity scores and more than triple his total rushing yardage last season. Junior running back Jayden Esparza added 10 carries for 146 yards and a 50-yard touchdown.

Sophomore quarterback Elijah Devold ran for a 60-yard touchdown run on a scramble after he avoided a sack on what was supposed to be a pass play, and both Brayden Cruz and Brayden Haas scored their first varsity touchdown runs.

In addition, Vance Swindlehurst returned a kickoff 85 yards for his first varsity touchdown.

“To go from having the guys that just played four years straight for us to having the ability to run several guys that can touch a football, I think is a pretty cool thing,” coach Anfernee Sloan said. “It kind of just shows how diverse we are as a football program, and the fact that we can have more than one guy be somebody for us is huge. I think that’s a big thing, a true component of a true team.”

Esparza’s touchdown came on Fernley’s offensive play from scrimmage when he took an inside handoff headed to the right side but cut to his left into open space.

On Fernley’s next possession, Jones made it 14-0 when he took a toss play to the 61 yards for a touchdown. He later added a 90-yard run on a similar play.

With Fernley leading 20-0 late in the second quarter, Devold dropped back to pass but immediately had to avoid an unblocked pass rusher. When he got outside, nobody could catch him until his teammates reached him in the end zone to celebrate.

As if those four touchdowns totaling 261 yards weren’t enough, Swindlehurst fielded a bouncing kickoff at the 15, found

a huge hole and then pulled away from everyone on his 85-yard kickoff return that made it 33-0.

Cruz added a 10-yard touchdown run late in the third quarter and Haas ran in from three yards in the fourth.

Meanwhile, the Vaqueros mostly stymied the Coral Academy attack.

The Falcons did threaten to score once after recovering a fumble at the Fernley 30-yard line.

They drove to the Fernley 11, but after a completed pass, the receiver fumbled just before he crossed the goal line and the Vaqueros recovered.

Sloan said he felt much the same way about the defense as he did the offense. On both sides he said there were some alignment errors and minor mistakes, but he thought overall the effort overcame them.

“I think we need to be a little bit cleaner with their alignment and with our adjustments,” he said. “Running and tackling wasn’t an issue. We pride ourselves on that, so being able to see them do that effectively was a big win for me, and a big plus.”

The Vaqueros turned the ball over twice on offense, once on a sack and another on a handoff exchange. Especially the fumbled handoff, Sloan said that was just a case of two players who haven’t had many reps together.

“That’s young guy stuff, that’s just a guy that hasn’t done it,” Sloan said. “And also, when you think about the dude in front of him the last three years, he probably 2,000-plus more reps. So, it’ll iron itself out.”

I think we’re heading in the right direction. It’s nice to see that we can still run the football and be productive with running.

This week the Vaqueros head to Bishop (CA). The Vaqueros beat Bishop last season but were blown out last time they went to Bishop in 2024.

Last season Bishop went on to reach the state championship game in their division and Sloan said they have built a program where they continue to plug in new players every year and keep winning.

“Next week it’s going to step up a little bit, because I know Bishop’s got a little bit of a sour taste in their mouth,” Sloan said. “I think it’ll be good to see us take another step and get prepared, because we have to and we’re playing a better football team next weekend. I mean, it just gets harder and harder, moving forward.”

# Lowry volleyball collects two wins at Yerington tournament

## Bucks head to South Tahoe this weekend

By Tony Erquiaga  
Range Media

The new-look Lowry High School volleyball team took the floor this past weekend in Yerington for a two-day tournament, with a number of northern Nevada schools in attendance.

The Buckaroos went 1-4 in pool play, losing to Yerington, Eureka, Coleville and beating Rite of Passage.

Yerington swept the two sets against Lowry 26-16, 25-19, as Raegan Terry had a team-high four kills for the Buckaroos. Hazen Root added three kills and Emma Deputy two. Root also led the way with three of Lowry’s six aces.

Emelia Mentaberry and Terry each had five digs and Root added four. Tessa Jenkins led Lowry with five assists.

In its second match, Lowry met up with Eureka, one of the top 1A teams in the state.

The Vandals won the first set 25-22, with the Buckaroos forcing a third set, winning 25-20. In a back-and-forth third det, Eureka prevailed 17-15.

Lowry pounded 11 kills, with five of those from Root and three more by Josie Jenkins. Terry added a team-high three aces, with Finn Christean, Tessa Jenkins and Deputy serving two each.

Root tacked on 10 digs, Tessa Jenkins seven and Mentaberry six. Tessa Jenkins and Mentaberry had six and three assists, respectfully.

Later on, Friday, Lowry faced another tough 1A school in Coleville, Calif., with



the Wolves winning 25-17, 25-19. Josie Jenkins and Terry had three kills apiece, with Deputy adding a pair. Mentaberry and Terry finished with nine and seven gigs, respectfully and Root added four of her own. Tessa Jenkins had four assists and Root three.

Lowry got on the winning track to end the first day, easily beating Rite of Passage 25-6, 25-9. The Buckaroos collected 14 kills, including four from Breylin Johnson, three each from Josie Jenkins and Hadley Houston and two from Root.

The Buckaroos had a field day serving, with 25 aces, paced by Terry with seven and six each from Peyton Anguiano and Johnson.

Tessa Jenkins and Christean each had two aces. Johnson (4) and Tessa Jenkins (3) combined for seven of the 11 Lowry assists.

On Saturday, Lowry breezed past Tonopah 25-17, 25-12 to finish the weekend 2-3.

The Buckaroos travel to South Tahoe this weekend for a tournament and are scheduled to play Reed, Dayton and Pershing County in pool play.

# Bighorns’ volleyball team opens campaign at Longhorn Invitational

The Oasis Academy volleyball team made its way to Battle Mountain this past weekend for the Longhorn Invitational preseason tournament. In pool play, the Bighorns defeated Lund and lost to McDermitt, Battle Mountain and White Pine. Oasis begins Northern 2A play on Aug. 26, in Lovelock against Pershing County.

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Above left: Oasis’ Abigail Owings finishes off a kill in a match against McDermitt. Right: Brooke Manskie sets the ball for a teammate.

# Vaqueros boys soccer looking for first win Thursday

By Robert Perea  
Range Media

After coming up empty in the win column and on the scoreboard last weekend at the South Tahoe Boys and Girls Soccer Tournament Aug. 14-15, the Fernley High School boys soccer team will try for its first win of the season on Thursday.

The Vaqueros are scheduled to host Debbie Smith CTE Academy at 6 p.m.

The Vaqueros are coming off four shut-out losses in the South Tahoe tournament last weekend.

On Friday, they lost 5-0 to Doral Academy Red Rock, a member of the Southern 4A, and 5-0 Northern 3A member Lowry.

Saturday they lost 6-0 to Faith Lutheran and 3-0 to North Valleys.

“Kids played their hearts out and fought until the last second but came short to some great teams,” coach Angel Muniz said. “There’s so much to say but we just need to train harder and keep pushing. I’m proud how these boys maintained their composure and stayed positive throughout the tournament.”

No individual stats were available for last week’s games.

# Win over Somerset Losee highlights weekend for Fernley girls soccer

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Facing three Las Vegas-area schools and one from the Northern 4A, the Fernley High School girls soccer team came away with one win in four tries at the South Tahoe Boys and Girls Soccer Tournament Aug. 14-15.

The Vaqueros beat Somerset Academy Losee of North Las Vegas 4-1 in their second game of the tournament on Friday.

Faith Mhondo had one goal and one assist, while Reese Johnson, Bronwynn Garrett and Sophie Mossner each scored a goal for Fernley. Sabrina Portillo, Judisa Gonzalez and Zaelynn Wasson each had one assist.

Goaltender Lilliana Perez made five saves.

Fernley opened the tournament with a

4-0 loss to Foothill (Henderson), which plays in the Southern 5A.

Foothill scored two goals in each half. Perez again made five saves for Fernley, and the Vaqueros had six shots on goal.

On Saturday, Fernley lost 4-1 to Southeast Career Tech of the Southern 4A and 5-0 to McQueen of the Northern 4A.

Tillie Gillespie scored Fernley’s goal against SECTA on an assist by Genesis Ramirez Martinez. Three Fernley goaltenders combined for 10 saves, with seven by Angie Rosas Rodriguez.

Rosas Rodriguez made 17 saves against a McQueen team that peppered the Fernley defense with 27 shots. Fernley managed two shots, neither of which were on goal.

This week the Vaqueros were scheduled to host Debbie Smith CTE Academy at 4:45 p.m. Thursday, then next Tuesday they play at Wooster at 4:45 p.m.



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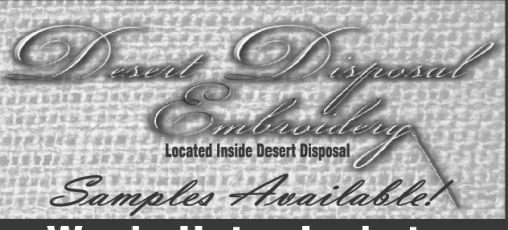
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Fallon boys soccer earns tie at South Tahoe Tournament

By Robert Perea

Range Media

The Fallon boys soccer team went 0-3-1 to open the season last week in the South Tahoe Boys & Girls Soccer Tournament.

The Greenwave lost 4-0 to Reed and tied North Valleys 1-1 on Friday. Saturday they lost 3-0 to Bishop Gorman and 9-1 to Foothill.

No stats were available for last week’s matches.

This week the Greenwave plays at the Debbie Smith Academy on Friday at 4:45.

The Fallon girls soccer team is scheduled to host North Tahoe at 4:45 Friday and Truckee at 11:45 a.m. Saturday.

Greenwave Youth Wrestling Club takes to the mat at D-Day Tournament

Provided by Wendy Bullock

The Greenwave Youth Wrestling Club recently traveled to San Diego, Calif., to compete in the prestigious D Day RMN Tournament, which attracts nearly 3,000 wrestlers from 32 states each year.

Greenwave wrestlers represented Fallon with determination, sportsmanship and grit while competing against some of the nation’s top youth wrestlers.

The team had a successful weekend, earning victories, gaining valuable experience, and continuing to build momentum for the upcoming wrestling season.

The Greenwave Youth Wrestling Club continues to provide year-round training opportunities for wrestlers of all ages,

helping young athletes develop confidence, discipline, and success both on and off the mat.

- Anakin Ross: Folkstyle 5th, Freestyle 2nd
- Divine Ross: Freestyle 2nd
- Georgio O’Donnell: Folkstyle 3rd, Freestyle 2nd
- Giavanna O’Donnell: Folkstyle 4th, Freestyle 2nd
- Layland Pellandini: Folkstyle 6th, Folkstyle 4th
- Scarlett Pellandini: Folkstyle 2nd, Folkstyle 1st
- Stress Ross: Did not place

Shoutout to Outlaw wrestlers Harleigh Workman for taking first place in folkstyle and Kaiden Ybarra Folkstyle sixth.



Photo courtesy Kimberly Cahoon

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Gold Fever —



Provided to Range Media

The Winnemucca Gold Rush 8U squad returned home for Fallon with some first-place hardware. Winnemucca went 3-1 over the weekend beating NV Outlawz, Lassen Lightning and Nevada Lightning. Winnemucca lost to Nevada Lightning earlier in the tournament but rebounded in the title game.

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Lady Bulldogs starts off at Longhorn Invitational

The McDermitt High School volleyball team traveled to Battle Mountain this past weekend for the Longhorn Invitational preseason tournament. In pool play, the Bulldogs defeated Oasis Academy and lost to Owyhee, West Wendover and Lund. McDermitt travels to Beatty this weekend.

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Above left: Skylah Tobey sets the ball for a teammate during a match with Fallon’s Oasis Academy at the Longhorn Invitational in Battle Mountain. Right: Ebony Crutcher (2) and Rikki Crutcher go up for a block. Below: Cree Camas finishes off a kill in the match with Oasis Academy.



Winnemucca Ladies Golf Results —

Can’t believe it’s already August but the on and off smoky conditions have made the golfing conditions a bit dicey! The results for the 9 hole gross/net tournament on Aug. 3-4 had Alyssa Jones winning the low gross honors with a score of 43.

The first low net winner was Robyn Dunkhorst with a score of 26. The second low gross winner was Anne Sample with a score of 33.

The Aug. 4, Tuesday morning ladies played the Mutt and Jeff tournament where their scores for the par 3 and par 5 holes are the only ones that count. Half of their handicaps determine the low net winners.

The low gross winner was Lisa Carlson with a score of 38. She also had a chip-in on hole 4.

It was also the first time Lisa broke 90 on Ladies’ Day with an overall gross of 88. Congratulations, Lisa! Pam Hope was the low net winner with a score of 32.

The second low net winner was Laurie Pickett with a score of 33. She also had the fewest putts with 30.

Bryn Echevarria was closest to hole 5 with a distance of 1 foot 8 inches which she then birdied. She was that close to a hole in one! Adua Boyle was closest to hole 2 with a distance of 38 feet 5 inches.

Due to the terrific idea of Bryn Echevarria, the Winnemucca Ladies’ Golf Club held an end-of-season nine-hole Scramble on Monday, August 10th at 4 pm. It was a resounding success due to Bryn’s organization of the event with the

assistance of Lori Woodland.

Twenty ladies, both members and guests, participated so there were five teams of four. A great time was had by all! The first place team was Courtney Ayers, Marlea Pointer, Mondy Bengochea, and Sherry Murphy with a score of 36.

The second place team was Candi Longan, Adua Boyle, Keirstyn Monson, and Pam Hope with a score of 39. Tying for second place was Lori Woodland, Kailani Rodriguez, Brandi Grimm, and Mayelen Bengochea also with a score of 39.

Only six points separated the first and fifth place teams! Definitely closely contested. After play, the ladies continued to enjoy each other’s company with treats provided by club members and drinks from the clubhouse. This kind of camaraderie has not been experienced since the beginning of Covid. It was heartwarming to see so many lady golfers enjoy the game and each other’s company. I am sure new friendships were created!

On Aug 11, the ladies’ played the Pro’s Posse tournament which is a net only tournament. The low net winner was Marlea Pointer with a score of 69. Bryn Echevarria was the second place winner with a score of 74.

She was also closest to hole 2 with a distance of 18 feet 6 inches. Lisa Carlson was third with a score of 75.

Lori Woodland had the lowest net for the 9-hole Pro’s Posse with a score of 43. Ann Lizanetz was second with a score of 49. Kailani Rodriguez was closest to hole 5 with a distance of 7 feet 10 inches. Laurie Pickett had fewest putts with 31.

Congratulations to all of the winners.

Fernley Women’s Golf Club Results, Aug. 11

GAME: Poker Hand

- Red Tees
- 1st: Jana Garner, Full House  
2nd: Kathy Kennedy, Straight
- Purple Tees
- 1st: Val Montgomery, Full House  
2nd: Sandi Sewchok, Pair of 7’s
- Birdie: Val Montgomery, #17  
Closest to Hole #7: Patty Liljeberg, 17’  
Closest to Hole #11: Kathy Kennedy, 48’  
Low Putts: Jana Garner, 33  
Chip-Ins: Linda Garrett, #3; Patty Liljeberg #5