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# SPORTS

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## TV LISTINGS

Sunday, Sept. 6

### AUTO RACING

**8:30 a.m.** — NHRA, qualifying for U.S. Nationals, at Indianapolis (ESPN2)

**1 p.m.** — The Off-Road Championship Series, at Crandon, Wis. (ABC)

**2 p.m.** — NHRA, qualifying for U.S. Nationals, at Indianapolis (ESPN2)

**4:30 p.m.** — NASCAR, Sprint Cup Series, Pep Boys Auto 500, at Hampton, Ga. (ESPN)

### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

**11 a.m.** — NCAA, FCS, MEAC/SWAC Challenge, Grambling St. vs. South Carolina St., at Orlando, Fla. (ESPN2)

**12:30 p.m.** — Mississippi at Memphis (ESPN)

**4 p.m.** — Colorado St. at Colorado (FSN)

### GOLF

**5 a.m.** — European PGA Tour, European Masters, final round, at Crans-sur-Sierre, Switzerland (TGC)

**Noon** — PGA Tour, Deutsche Bank Championship, third round, at Norton, Mass. (NBC)

**4 p.m.** — Champions Tour, First Tee Open, final round, at Pebble Beach, Calif. (TGC)

**6:30 p.m.** — LPGA, Canadian Women's Open, final round, at Calgary, Alberta (TGC)

### MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

**10 a.m.** — Chicago Cubs at N.Y. Mets (WGN)

**11 a.m.** — Boston at Chicago White Sox (TBS)

**Noon** — Arizona at Colorado (FSN, KNTR AM 980)

**5 p.m.** — San Diego at L.A. Dodgers (ESPN2)

### MOTORSPORTS

**10 a.m.** — MotoGP 250, at Misano, San Marino (SPEED)

**11 a.m.** — MotoGP World Championship, at Misano, San Marino (SPEED)

**5 p.m.** — FIM World Superbike, at Nurburg, Germany (SPEED)

**9:30 p.m.** — AMA Pro Racing, at Millville, N.J. (SPEED)

### PREP FOOTBALL

**9 a.m.** — Colerain (Ohio) vs. Elder (Ohio), at Cincinnati (ESPN)

### TENNIS

**8 a.m.** — U.S. Open, men's third and women's fourth round, at New York (CBS)

Schedule subject to change and/or blackouts

## PREPS

### Tuesday

**Volleyball**  
Havasu vs. Kingman, at LHHS — 4/5/6 p.m.

**Parker at Bullhead City Mohave** — 4/5/6 p.m.

### Wednesday

**Football**  
Havasu Freshmen at Yuma Cibola — 6 p.m.

**Golf**  
Havasu boys vs. Glendale Copper Canyon, Goodyear Desert Edge, Buckeye Verrado, at Phoenix — 3:30 p.m.

**Swimming**  
Havasu at Yuma Cibola — 4 p.m.

**Volleyball**  
Parker vs. Welton Antelope, at PHS — 4/5/6 p.m.

## QUICK READ

### LHHS WARNS OF UNAUTHORIZED POSTER SALES

Officials with the Lake Havasu High School Athletic Department are reminding the public that the only authorized producer of a school sports poster or calendar is Lake Havasu High School.

### TENNIS CLASSES OFFERED

Lake Havasu City Parks and Recreation Department and the Lake Havasu Tennis Association have announced the tennis class schedule for the months of September, October and November.

Beginners classes for players 6- to 9-years-old and 10- to 13-years-old will take place on Mondays and Wednesdays 7-8 p.m.

Intermediate classes for players 14- to 18-years-old and advanced classes those at the junior varsity and varsity levels will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Session 1 will take run Sept. 7 through Oct. 1 and Session 2 will take run Oct. 19 through Nov. 12.

Cost for all levels of instruction is \$80 for eight classes and two instructors - Matt Scott and Greg Brueckner - will be at each session.

You must register with Parks & Recreation for each session. Do not register for future sessions until the current session has ended.

For more information call Scott at 486-9028 or email big-dogmathew@hotmail.com.

## PREP GOLF

# Havasu finishes third at Yuma

By DAVID BELL  
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Even with losing one of the team's top players to heat-related illness midway through the round, the Lady Knights made a serious challenge to win the season's first invitational.

The Lake Havasu High School girls golf team finished third at the Yuma Tournament at Foothills Golf Course in Yuma Saturday, posting a team score of 349.

"I was very impressed with the girls' play, I'm very happy with that third place with some of the bigger schools we faced here," said Havasu head coach Jerome Kusters.

Gilbert Highland finished first with a team score of 327 and Yuma Kofa was second with 340.

Havasu only had four finish the tourney, when Brooke Gettess came off the course showing signs of dehydration.

"Overall it was very hot and humid. And that was a little different to deal with. But we did the best we could," Kusters said.

Two Lady Knights medaled in the match with freshman Bailey O'Neil taking third overall with a 77 and Taylor Byers fourth with a 79.

They were followed by Kaitlyn Sweeney at 93 and Alyssa Pakes at 100.

"The girls were excited to get in to it (the first major tournament of the year). They felt good and we really thought we might have had a chance to win it," Kusters



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Havasu's Alyssa Pakes lines up a putt during play against Yuma and Yuma Gila Ridge last week. Pakes and the Lady Knights finished third in the Yuma Tournament Saturday.

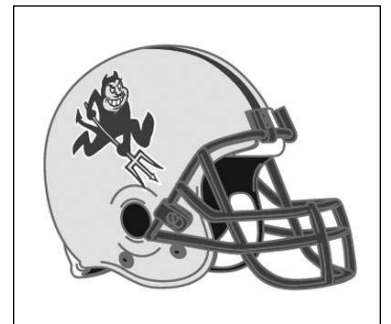
said.

Havasu gets a week off to get healthy again - Byers wasn't able to finish last week's 9-hole opening match against Yuma Gila Ridge and Yuma because of ill-

ness - before heading up to Kingman to face the Lady Bulldogs and Surprise Valley Vista Sept. 14.

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## COLLEGE FOOTBALL



# Nixon has big night, Devils beat Idaho State 50-3

By BOB BAUM  
AP SPORTS WRITER

TEMPE — Mike Nixon returned one of his three interceptions for a touchdown and blocked a punt to lead Arizona State past outmatched Idaho State 50-3 Saturday night.

The senior linebacker became the first Sun Devil with three picks in a game in 20 years.

Thomas Weber tied an Arizona State record with five field goals, all inside of 30 yards.

Danny Sullivan, in his first start, completed 13 of 25 passes for 165 yards in 21/2 quarters for the Sun Devils.

The Bengals, who play at Oklahoma next Saturday, committed five turnovers and managed just 37 yards, zero in the first half.

The 37 yards, which included a 32-yard loss on Idaho State's final play, was the fourth-fewest allowed by Arizona State in school history.

Arizona State coach Dennis Erickson said "five or six" players missed the game.

## PREP FOOTBALL

# Defense the high point against Kingman

By DAVID BELL  
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Last week against Yuma it was the offense that excelled. This week against Kingman it was the defense that stepped up big time.

But both are listed in the record books as losses and Lake Havasu High School football head coach Karl Thompson is using that as teaching tool for his team.

"We're always telling the players it's little things and now they see what we mean," he said Saturday. "Every little part of the game counts. A block, an extra step to make a good exchange, covering with two hands, it all counts."

The Havasu defense limited Kingman to under 200 total yards - 112 yards on the ground and just 82 yards in the air on four catches.

"Defensively, I though we did a good job of stepping up," Thompson said. "Take away the first play and our guys did a nice job of adjusting."

The "first play" was a Havasu fumble on the first play from scrimmage in the game that went into the hands of the Bulldogs on the Havasu 15-yard-line. Kingman immediately punched it in on the next play to take a lead they wouldn't relinquish.

It was one of three fumbles the Knights gave away in the game, including two on punt returns. One of which led to the Bulldogs' other touchdown at the start of the second half.



JC Amberlyn Photo/Kingman Daily Miner

Havasu defensive back Brad Fender (4) breaks up a pass intended for Kingman receiver G. Herrera (1) during Friday's game in Kingman.

And while the defense forced five Bulldogs drops, they all went back into the hands of Kingman players.

"Football is funny thing. It really is sometimes the ball bounces your way and sometimes it doesn't," Thompson said.

Havasu had two chances late to tie. With three minutes to go, the Knights had the ball in the red zone but turned it over on downs.

The Knights defense put up a stop, giving the offense one more try. Quarterback Doug Greene got the ball down inside the Kingman 10 but his pass was broken up as time expired.

"Thirty seconds was the whole differential in the game," Thompson said. "The first 15 seconds, when Kingman scored on that turnover, and the last 15 seconds."

"Our defense really stepped up. The linebackers did a real good job of attacking the run, I thought," he said. "Now what we have to do it put it all together. Offense, defense, special teams."

The Knights (0-2) next head to Avondale for a non-region contest with La Joya Community. The Fighting Lobos (0-1) lost to Tempe Marcos de Niza 42-7 Friday.

## PREP GOLF

# Havasu wraps first tourney in 12th place

By DAVID BELL  
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David Bell/News-Herald File Photo

Havasu's Steven Stanovich watches his tee shot at hole No. 7 of the Olde London Course during play against Yuma and Gila Ridge at The Courses at London Bridge Golf Club last week. Stanovich shot a 91 in the second round of the Bradshaw Mountain Invitational in Prescott Saturday.

The veterans rebounded and the fresh faces on varsity had a chance to see what pressure gold was all about Saturday.

The Lake Havasu High School boys golf team wrapped the final round of the Bradshaw Mountain Invitational in Prescott, shooting a team score of 511 and finishing the tournament in 12th place by one stroke.

"There are things we can all do to get scores lower," said head coach Mike Washington. "But given it the first tournament of the year and the first for some of the guys, I was pleased."

Senior Eric Gedalje wrapped play with a 6-over 78 on Saturday to finish the tournament in 25th place. His fellow co-captain Pat McSweeney shot an 83 to finish in 38th place.

Havasu's first round leader Michael Wrona shot an 88 Saturday, followed by Steven Stanovich at 91 and Butch Gregg at 91.

"The two veterans (Gedalje and McSweeney) rebounded well, decreasing their bogey per round average. And Steven, I was very impressed with his ball striking all weekend. He was consistent," Washington

said. "Wrona is very level headed; he doesn't get too excited and doesn't get too down when things don't go his way. His balance is what keeps him so consistent. He's deceptively mature for a freshman."

Once again weather became a slight factor as rain moved in at the end of the tournament and forced the final players to come off the course earlier than expected.

Winning the tourney was Gilbert Perry with a score of 437, five strokes over par for the 27-hole tournament. Perry also had the top two finishers - Jordan Lowery and Garrett Moss - who both finished at 1-under.

Finishing second was Chandler Basha at 452 and third was Flagstaff Sinagua at 468.

"We saw some great talent there. That's why we go to this tournament, to see what's out there," Washington said.

The Knights head to Phoenix for a 9-hole match against Buckeye Verrado, Glendale Copper Canyon and Goodyear Desert Edge Wednesday.

Then Havasu plays host to the London Bridge Invitational at the Courses at London Bridge Golf Club Friday and Saturday.

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