# TigerScots beat Mustangs to win league openers

East Oregonian

**ATHENA** The Weston-McEwen TigerScots won their league opener by grinding out a 53-49 win against the Heppner Mustangs on Saturday night.

Heppner started the game with everything going its way, driving the lane and getting in the paint at will and finding open guys along the perimeter enough to hold a 18-9 lead at the end of the first quarter. But from that point on, Weston-McEwen slowly chipped away at the

The TigerScots (8-5, 1-0 CBC) tied the game at 49-49 with under one minute left to play before Ethan Reger scored the go-ahead basket and Quanah Picard sank two free throws with just seconds left on the clock to seal the

"We made some good adjustments in the second half and responded well to (Heppner's) defensive changes," Weston-McEwen coach Brian Pickard said.

Garrett Hungerford nailed four 3-pointers and scored 16 points for Weston-McEwen, while Shaw Broncheau and Brett Speed each had 12. Logan Grieb led Heppner (8-4, 0-2) with 18 points and four 3-pointers and Nikalos Dias Martins had 13.

Weston-McEwen next heads to Pilot Rock on Friday, while Heppner hosts Culver.

W-M 9 12 19 13 - 53 HHS 18 10 12 9 - 49 WESTON-MCEWEN — G. Hungerford 16,

S. Broncheau 12, B. Speed 12, E. Reger 6, J. West 4, Q. Picard 2, Rudolph 1. HEPPNER — L. Grieb 18, N. Dias Martins 13, J. Lindsay 7, K. Smith 4, W. Steagall 4, C. Hedman 3.
3-pointers — W-M 7, HHS 6. Free throws

-W-M 10-16, HHS 13-23. Fouls - W-M

STANFIELD CULVER 59 — At Culver, the Stanfield Tigers had all 13 players score at least one field goal as the Tigers ran past the Culver Bulldogs 89-59 on Saturday afternoon.

"We played well, jumped on Culver in the first half and gained some momentum that we carried throughout," Stanfield coach Jason Sperr said. "We were able to rest some guys and get other guys some playing time and it was nice to see all 13 guys score.

"We had a good weekend and we got the start we needed to have in league and the guys are excited for what's next.

Dylan Grogan led Stanfield (11-1, 2-0 CBC) with 17 points, Brody Woods had 12 and both Noe Sanchez and Jose Garcia each had nine points. Mike Davis, Jr. of Culver (0-12, 0-2) had a game-high 30 points. Stanfield next

hosts Prescott (WA) today at 6 p.m.

SHS 28 27 21 13 — 89 CHS 14 11 9 25 — 59 STANFIELD — D. Grogan 17, B. Woods 12, N. Sanchez 9, R. Bailey 9, J. Garcia 9, A. Gomez 8, J. Galarza 6, T. Monkus 5, E. Esquivel 4, D. Allan 3, C. Hernandez 2, E. Angel 2, T. Flores 2. CULVER — M. Davis 30, W. Basl 16, Z. Gutierrez 10, Stevenson 2, Oliveras 1.

UMATILLA **IRRIGON 48** — At Irrigon, Kaden Webb scored a gamehigh 28 points to carry the Umatilla Vikings to a 66-48 win over the Irrigon Knights in the Vikings' league opener on Saturday evenings.

Behind Webb, Carnston and Justin Maret also scored 10 points apiece for Umatilla (9-5, 1-0 EOL), while Hayden White scored 20 to lead Irrigon (8-5, 1-1) and Austin Rice had 17.

Umatilla next heads to Riverside today, while Irrigon hosts Vale on Friday.

UHS 12 22 10 18 — 66 IHS 12 12 12 12 — 48 UMATILLA — K. Webb 28, S. Cranston 10, J. Marett 10, S. Miller 8, S. Garcia 5, M. Garcialazo 3, Team 2. IRRIGON — H. White 20. A. Rice 17. E. Carillo 4, J. Philips 4, A. Gomez 2, O. Vera 1.

BAKER 64, MAC-HI 50

At Milton-Freewater, the Mac-Hi Pioneers fell into an early hole which proved to be too big to come back from, falling to Baker 64-50 in the league opener on Saturday afternoon.

"(Baker) started really fast and we got in a 12-0 hole early," Mac-Hi coach Jordan Poynor said. "Baker shot the ball well in the first half and we just couldn't crawl out of the hole."

Alex Delgado led Mac-Hi (5-6, 0-1 GOL) with 13 points, while Alexis Pio added 12 and Michael Armenta pitched in 10. Will Akers led Baker with a game-high 21 points — all of which came in the first half.

Mac-Hi next hosts The Dalles today at 5:45 p.m.

BHS 19 17 12 16 — 64 M-H 6 12 15 17 — 50 BAKER — W. Akers 21, G. Berry 18, C. Osborn 8, R. Schwin 7, B. Zemmer 5, TJ Dunn 3, M. Plumley 2. MAC-HI — A. Delgado 13, A. Pio 12, M. Armenta 10, A. Earls 8, M. Garcia 7 3-pointers — BHS 4, M-H 6. Free throws BHS 14-21, M-H 12-16. Fouls — BHS

JOSEPH 66, HELIX 39 — At Helix, the Eagles went on a 20-7 run in the second quarter to take control of their Old Oregon League game on Saturday.

Cayden DeLury scored a game-high 18 points to lead Joseph (11-3, 5-1 OOL) to its fifth-straight win.

Justin Williams had a team-high 12 points for Helix (2-8, 1-3), which plays its next game at Cove today at 5:30 p.m.

16 20 17 13 - 66 11 7 9 12 - 39

JOSEPH — C. DeLury 18, C. Murray 11, T. Homan 10, A. Borgerding 10, H. Miller 6, J. Chrisman 4, T. Wandschneider 3, T. Grote 2, B. Gorham 2, T. VanWinkle.
HELIX — J. Williams 12, J. Shaw 10, G. Christman 6, S. Carlson 5, T. Fehrenbacker 4, J. Springer 2, L. Davis, A. Holden, G. Newtson, C. Marks.
3-pointers — JHS 6; HHS 2. Free throws — JHS 14-20; HHS 3-5. Fouls — JHS 11; HHS 15.

### **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

CULVER 36, STAN-**FIELD 22** — At Culver, the Stanfield Tigers were overwhelmed by the Culver Bulldogs early and the Bulldogs kept the Tigers at a distance the rest of the way for a 36-22 victory on Saturday afternoon.

"We started in a 19-0 hole and that made things difficult," Stanfield coach Daniel Sharp said.

Kendra Hart led Stanfield (3-10, 1-1 CBC) with nine points and Natalia Esquivel had seven points.

Stanfield next Prescott (WA) today.

SHS 10 9 4 9 — 22 CHS 17 3 7 9 — 36 STANFIELD — K. Hart 9, N. Esquivel 7, A. Griffin 3, S. Sharp 2, B. Braithwaite 1. CULVER — I. Retano 14, J. Johnson 10, M. Gamboa 8, J. VanAlstyne 2, E.

Bautista 2.

3-pointers — SHS 0, CHS 1. Free throws
— SHS 8-16, CHS 11-22. Fouls — SHS 20,
CHS 18. Fouled out — S. Connell (SHS), J. Johnson (CHS).

### WESTON-MCEWEN **52, HEPPNER 40** — At

Athena, the Weston-McEwen TigerScots won for the fifth time in the last six games with a 52-40 victory over Heppner in league action on Saturday afternoon.

Sara von Borstel and Katie Vescio each scored 10 points to lead the way for Weston-McEwen (9-4, 1-0 CBC), while Sarah Finifrock had nine and Chelsea Quaempts had eight. Jacee Currin again led Heppner with 12 points while Kacie Gray had nine and Morgan Correa had

Weston-McEwen next heads to Pilot Rock on Friday, while Heppner hosts Culver.

HHS 9 7 9 15 — 40
W-M 20 11 9 12 — 52
HEPPNER — J. Currin 12, K. Gray 9, M.
Correa 7, J. Mahoney 5, N. Propheter 3, M.
Silvia 2, M. Combe 2.
WESTON-MCEWEN — S. von Borstel 10,

WESTON-MICEWEN — S. Von Bofster ID, K. Vescio 10, S. Finiffock 9, C. Ouaempts 8, B. Hillmick 5, J. Lambert 4, A. Schroeder 2, A. Finiffock 2, A. Hill 2. 3-pointers — HHS 3, W-M 1. Free throws — HHS 9-20, W-M 13-27. Fouls — HHS 20, W-M 18. Fouled out — J. Currin (HHS).

**UMATILLA** IRRIGON 44 — At Irrigon. Aleesha Watson scored a game-high 31 points and sank five 3-pointers to help her Umatilla Vikings to a 49-44 win over Irrigon in Eastern Oregon League action on Saturday evening at Irrigon High School.

"She shot the ball very well and we didn't have an answer tonight," Irrigon coach Mike Royer said.

Jada Burns led Irrigon (7-7, 0-2 EOL) with 13 points and Alyia Munoz had 10 points. Katelyn Lorence also reached double-digit points for Umatilla (6-8, 1-0) in the game.

Umatilla next travels to Riverside today for a 6 p.m. tip-off, while Irrigon hosts Vale on Friday.

UHS 15 10 14 10 — 49 IHS 10 11 14 9 — 44 UMATILLA — A. Watson 31, K. Lorenci O, L. Jurnot 4, Y. Ortiz 3, C. Alvarez 1. IRRIGON — J. Burns 13, Munoz 10, T. Davis 9, A. Zacarias 6, Romero 2, Gilman 2, K. Wyant 1, L. Mills 1.

BAKER 53, MAC-HI 29 — At Milton-Freewater, the Mac-Hi Pioneers dropped their Greater Oregon League opener 53-29 against Baker on Saturday afternoon.

"We actually played some of our best basketball tonight, even though the scoreboard doesn't reflect it," Mac-Hi coach Brooke Garton said. "It really came

down to Baker's big second quarter and we just couldn't keep up."

Sydney Richwine continued her strong season for Mac-Hi (1-10, 0-1 GOL) with yet another double-double, recording a team-high 13 points and 17 rebounds. Brooke Smiley added nine points and 12 rebounds as well for the Pioneers.

Mac-Hi next heads to Stanfield on Friday night for a 7:30 p.m. start.

8, Ward 7, Carter 5, Davis 4, Younger 2, Flanagan 2. MAC-HI — S. Richwine 13, B. Smiley 9,

MAC-HI — S. HICHWIRE 13, B. SMILEY 9, M. Yensen 2, Flores 2, Hernandez 2, B. Jones 1.

3-pointers — BHS 5, M-H 0. Free throws — BHS 6-7, M-H 9-25. Fouls — BHS 21, M-H 15. Fouled out — Huggins (BHS), Yensen (M-H).

JOSEPH 48, HELIX 40 — At Helix, a sluggish second half was enough for the Joseph Eagles to overtake the Helix Grizzlies and pull away for a 48-40 victory on Saturday.

"We got a quick start, but the third quarter we were flat and didn't play well basically the whole second half," Helix coach Kirk Flerchinger said. "We didn't do the things we needed to do tonight and Joseph just wanted this one more than we did."

Kailey Mize had a big game for Helix (5-5, 1-3 OOL) with 18 points, but it was Joseph's Alexis Sykora that stole the show with 28 Helix next heads to Cove

today.

JHS 10 7 14 17 — 48 GHS 14 11 4 11 — 40 JOSEPH — A. Sykora 28, Genetti 12, H.

MIller 6. HELIX — K. Mize 18, M. Tullis 6, E. Fehrenbacker 6, C. Bennett 5, A. Wood 3,

H. Christman 2.
3-pointers — JHS 1, GHS 4. Free throws
— JHS 11-18, GHS 4-17. Fouls — JHS 16,
GHS 18. Fouled out — S. Wilson (GHS).

BMCC's Sierra Schmeckpeper (22) drives to the basket under pressure from Cayla Jones (35) and Nyala Guich (23), of Columbia Basin Community College, on Saturday at the McCrae Activity Center.

# **PENDLETON**

# Strong shooting lifts T-Wolves

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PENDLETON — Blue Mountain's men's basketball team shot 50 percent from deep range and just a tick lower from the rest of the field to beat Columbia Basin 80-64 in NWAC East play on

Darien Davis led the Timberwolves (4-10, 2-2 East) with 21 points and was 4-for-5 on three-pointers. He also had four steals and four assists. Jared Mathews added a second-straight doubledouble with 16 points and 11 rebounds. Isaiah Harris chipped in 13 points with five assists, and the T-Wolves had 19 team assists David Bravo also had 13 points

and Lucas Wyant finished with 11, and BMCC shot 47.7 percent from the field in the game Blue Mountain lost to Wenatchee

Valley 69-59 on Monday night despite 23 points and 13 boards from Mathews.

CBC 22 42 — 64 BMCC 41 39 — 80 COLUMBIA BASIN — K. Blair 18, D. Torres 17, C. Wilmoth 8,

J. Wuol 6, N. Peterson 5, L. Noethe 3, C. Kelly 2, M. Mann 2, B. Scott 2, J. Ram 1, S. Weekes, G. Smith.
BLUE MOUNTAIN — D. Davis 21, J. Mathews 16, D. Bravo 13, I. Harris 13, L. Wyant 11, L. Hawkins 4, R. Brown 2, J. Cook, L. McAllister, B. Brohrer.
3-pointers — CBC 7-21; BMCC 7-14. Free throws — CBC 9-15; BMCC 11-16. Fouls — CBC 20; BMCC 15. Fouled out — B. Scott (CBC).

## **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

COLUMBIA BASIN 90, BLUE **MOUNTAIN 50** — At Pendleton, the Timberolves turned the ball over 26 times and shot just 28 percent from the field to

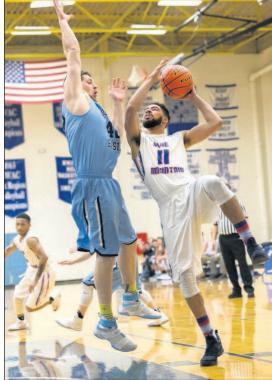
Akira McGee and Micah Bisbee led

Blue Mountain shot just 18 percent on Monday lost on the road at Wenatchee Valley 62-30.

 CBC
 17
 30
 15
 28
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 BMCC
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 11
 11
 —
 50

 COLUMBIA BASIN — S. Perez 19, A. Fiander 16, Z. Garcia 12, C. Jones 12, S. Keo 10, E. Botkin 8, K. Sage 6, N. Guich 4,



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## **BLAZERS:**

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13 of 23 from beyond the arc in their 12th consecutive home victory. The 3-pointer-heavy Trail Blazers shot 8 of 26 on 3-point attempts. After Washington coach Scott Brooks called

Portland guards Damian Lillard and C.J. McCollum as good as any backcourt in the league, Beal and John Wall outplayed them. Lillard led the Blazers with 22 points and McCollum had 12, but they combined to shoot 11 of 29 from the floor.

The Wizards have won four of their last five games. On the final day of All-Star voting, Wall put on show by dunking over Mason Plumlee and hitting a step-back 3-pointer from the top of the arc. He finished 10 of 17 and Beal was 7 of 11, including 3 of 3 from 3-point territory.

Washington opened the game shooting 4 of 5 to jump ahead 10-0 and led by 30 after Marcin Gortat's layup with 4:24 left in the third quarter.

Portland cut it as close as 17 in the fourth, forcing Wall and Beal back on the floor, but lost its second game in a row.

### **MLK DAY**

Wearing a shirt with the message: "His dream inspired the world. Never stop dreaming," Beal took the microphone to address the crowd of 17,395 on Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Brooks said he always stops by the MLK Memorial during his walks around the National Mall.

Trail Blazers coach Terry Stotts said about half the team went to the National Museum of African American History and Culture after practice Monday. "It's a little sobering, the African-American experi-

ence in this country and also celebrating the contributions of the African-American community," Stotts said.

Trail Blazers: McCollum's streak of consecutive games with 25-plus points ended at eight. He became the eighth player to score 1,000 points this season, joining Russell Westbrook, James Harden, DeMar DeRozan, Anthony Davis, DeMarcus Cousins, Kevin Durant and Isaiah Thomas.

## **Local Slate**

Today's Gamees Helix at Cove, 5:30 p.m. The Dalles at Mac-Hi, 5:45 p.m. Prescott (WA) at Stanfield, 6 p.m. Pendleton at Baker, 7:30 p.m. Umatilla at Riverside, 7:30 p.m. Ione at Mitchell/Spray, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday's Games

Today's Games

Umatilla at Riverside, 6 p.m. Prescott at Stanfield (WA), TBD Wednesday's Games
Arlington at South Wasco, 5 p.m.
La Grande at Pendleton, 7 p.m.

Hood River at Pendleton, 7 p.m

## **Prep Scores**

BOYS BASKETBALL

Hermiston 62, La Grande 54 Hood River 53, Columbia (White Salmon), McMinnville 65. West Salem 52

Saturday's Games Baker 53, McLoughlin 29 Cascade 49, Crook County 22

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Monday's Games Grant 56, West Linn 54 South Medford 67, Reed, Nev. 56 Sunset 52, Auburn Riverside, Wash. 50 Vale 48, Ontario 26

BOYS BASKETBALL Conf. . Ovr Rank fall in NWAC East play on Saturday.

BMCC (2-10, 0-5 East) with 11 points each, and McGee added a team-high six

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BLUE MOUNTAIN — A. McGee 11, M. Bisbee 11, S.
Schmeckpeper 9, E. Ramsey 7, M. Boyer 5, B. Haringa 4, S.
Wammock 2, M. Slater 1, A. Broncheau, K. Munoz.
3-pointers — CBC 9-26; BMCC 11-30. Free throws — CBC
11-21; BMCC 7-12. Fouls — CBC 18; BMCC 20. Fouled out —
A. McGee (BMCC).

BMCC's Isaiah Harris (11) goes up for a shot against Brad Scott, of Columbia Basin College, on Saturday at McCrae Activity Center.

8-6

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# BOYS PREP BASKETBALL

Arlington at South Wasco, 6:30 p.m. Pendleton at La Grande, 7:30 p.m.

**GIRLS PREP BASKETBALL** Helix at Cove, 4 p.m. Baker at Pendleton, 5:45 p.m.

PREP WRESTLING

Saturday's Games
Baker 64, McLoughlin 50
Cascade 76, Crook County 37
Eagle Point 72, North Eugene 56

McNary 75, Sprague 55 South Eugene 70, South Medford 41 South Salem 78, North Salem 50 Monday's Games La Grande 44, Nyssa 32 Lake Oswego 64, Roosevelt 50

Hermiston 61, West Valley (Yakima) Lewiston, Idaho 61, Pendleton 29 McNary 52, Sprague 30 North Eugene 64, Eagle Point 26 West Salem 52, McMinnville 37

# **Prep Standings**

### **SCOREBOARD** 5-7 3-4 2-6 Pendleton The Dalles 4A Greater Oregon League La Grande 12-1 7-11 Baker Mac-Hi 5-6 Ontario 3A Eastern Oregon League Ovr Rank Umatilla

3-9 8-5 8-6 Burns 4-9 4-8 Conf. OvrRank Stanfield 2-0 Weston-McEwer 8-5 8-5 Pilot Rock Heppner Culver 0-12

1A Big Sky League 5-0 3-0 Condon/Wheeler 8-4 Dufur Arlington Horizon Christian South Wasco Mitchell/Spray 0-3 1-8

1A Old Oregon League Conf OvrRank Joseph Powder Valley Echo Wallowa 2-4 1-3 1-3 0-5 Pine Eagle

**GIRLS BASKETBALL** 5A Columbia River

Hood River 6-4 6-7 Hermistor 0-0 3-5 3-5 4A Greater Oregon League OvrRank 11-3 7-7 2-13 1-10 Mac-Hi

**OvrRank** 10-4 7

3A Eastern Oregon League Conf.

Riverside

2A Columbia Basin Conference Conf. OvrRank 10-4 9-4 Weston-McEwen Stanfield Pilot Rock

29 15 27 0-2 5-7 1A Big Sky League Ovr Rank Conf Arlington South Wasco Horizon Christian Condon/Wheeler 23 27 32 35 43 52 54 Dufur 4-6 4-9 2-6 0-12 Mitchell/Spray

### 1A Old Oregon League **OvrRank** 12-0 4 10-2 5 Nixyaawii Powder Valley 4-0 Echo 11 37 19 34 40 Helix Cove Pine Eagle

### Football NFL

Divisional Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 14 Atlanta 36, Seattle 20 New England 34, Houston 16 Sunday, Jan. 15 Green Bay 34, Dallas 31 Pittsburgh 18, Kansas City 16 Conference Championships NFC: Green Bay at Atlanta, 12:05 p.m

AFC: Pittsburgh at New England, 3:40

# Basketball

Sunday's Games Dallas 98, Minnesota 87 Atlanta 111. Milwaukee 98 Atlanta III, Wilwaukee 98 Toronto 116, New York 101 Houston 137, Brooklyn 112 Chicago 108, Memphis 104 Oklahoma City 122, Sacramento 118 Detroit 102, L.A. Lakers 97 Monday's Games Atlanta 108, New York 107 Washington 120, Portland 101 Philadelphia 113, Milwaukee 104

Indiana 98, New Orleans 95 Denver 125, Orlando 112 Boston 108, Charlotte 98 Golden State 126, Cleveland 91 Utah 106, Phoenix 101

A. Clippers 120, Oklahoma City 98 Today's Games Houston at Miami, 4:30 p.m. Toronto at Brooklyn, 4:30 p.m. Dallas at Chicago, 5 p.m. Minnesota at San Antonio, 5:30 p.m.

## Denver at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m Men's Top 25

Monday's Games No. 1 Villanova 76, Seton Hall 46 No. 2 Kansas 76, Iowa State 72 No. 7 Creighton 72, No. 22 Xavier 67 No. 9 North Carolina 85, Syracuse 68 No. 13 Butler 88, Marquette 80 Today's Games

No. 5 Kentucky at Mississippi State, 4 p.m. No. 6 Baylor vs. Texas, 4 p.m. No. 17 Wisconsin vs. Michigan, 6 p.m. No. 21 Purdue vs. Illinois, 4 p.m Arizona 16-2 16-2 18-1 13-5 12-5 5-0 5-1 4-2

California .722 Utah 3-2 16-3 9-8 9-9 Arizona St. 10-8 8-9 10-8 Stanford Colorado Oregon St. Women's Top 25

Monday's Games No. 4 Mississippi State 73, Mississippi 62 Tennessee 71, No. 6 Notre Dame 69 No. 17 Virginia Tech 72, Wake Forest 70

Pac-12 Standings

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Today's Games No. 1 UConn at Tulsa, 5 p.m

18-2 16-2 .765 .778 .667 13-4 14-4 12-6 Oregon

Oregon St. Stanford Arizona St. UCLA Wash. St. Utah

2-4 11-6 .647 10-7 11-6