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Staff photo by Kathy Aney
Coby Dougherty, of Heppner, gains yardage during a 2017 game against Stanfield. Dougherty is one of 11 Mustangs to earn a spot on the Columbia Basin Conference's all-league teams released on Thursday.

Prep Football

CBC releases all-league teams

Heppner, Stanfield lead league with 18 total selections

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The Class 2A Columbia Basin Conference released its 2017 all-league football teams on Thursday morning, and the league-champion Heppner Mustangs and Stanfield Tigers were at the top with 18 spots on the three teams.

Heppner, the 2017 CBC

champion, has 11 players selected filling up 18 spots including nine first team spots. Four of those Mustangs earned first team selections on both sides of the ball, including senior lineman Wyatt Steagall, junior lineman Tyler Carter, senior running back and line-backer Coby Dougherty and senior receiver and defensive back Beau Wolters.

Filling out the rest of Heppner's selections are sophomore Jason Rea (second team LB, second team OL), sophomore Gavin Hanna-Robinson (1st team

LB, 2nd team WR), freshman Jayden Wilson (second team QB, second team DB), junior Dakota Howard (second team OL) senior Kevin Smith (honorable mention DB), junior Derek Howard (honorable mention DL) and junior Logan Burright (honorable mention punter).

The Stanfield Tigers, who finished in second place in the league, had 12 players selected in 18 spots. Seniors Adrian Renner and Justin Keeney were both first team picks at running back and defensive back, while sophomore Mario Sanchez

was a first team selection on the offensive and defensive lines.

The remaining Stanfield selections are senior Makiah Blankenship (second team LB, second team RB), sophomore Mason Smith (second team WR, second team LB), senior Shayne Keltz (second team DL), sophomore Rene Sanchez (second team OL), junior Hunter McCanch (second team punter), sophomore Uriel Carillo (second team kicker), senior Kenny Bevan (honorable mention

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OSAA Boys Soccer Championship

Pirates ready for Eagles in title game

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It's the only smear on the Riverside Pirates' undefeated season. A 2-2 draw against Catlin Gabel not even a week before playoffs put Riverside's 13-game winning streak to bed.

Now, the Pirates (16-0-1) will once again face the Eagles (12-0-5) in the 3A/2A/1A state championship match Saturday at Liberty High School in Hillsboro.

**3A/2A/
1A Finals**



**Catlin Gabel
Eagles
(12-0-5)**



**Riverside
Pirates
(16-0-1)**

• Sat., 3:30 p.m.
• at Liberty HS,
Hillsboro

The rematch will be only the third time the schools have played each other in recent years. Last season, the two teams went head-to-head in the semifinals where the Eagles won 4-1 en route to their state title. It was Catlin Gabel's first championship victory since 2010.

The Eagles again qualified for the playoffs the following season, hoping to repeat, but were knocked out in Round 1.

In 2011, a different team would claim the championship as their own when Riverside brought the title to Boardman for the first time. The Pirates finished a perfect 14-0 that year.

A big part of Riverside's success this season is its strong senior class. Of the 18-man roster, 12 are seniors and seven of the 12 are starters. Up front, twins Kevin and Miscal Madrigal, Quincy Castillo and Jose Peralta are all key parts of the Pirates attack.

Kevin Ruelas sits in goal, and recently has seen little action in Riverside's back third. Ruelas will surely be tested again against Catlin Gabel.

The Eagles have put up 14 goals in their last three wins since the tie against the Pirates. But also like Riverside, Catlin Gabel won't have the advantage of playing on its home field.

Both teams have fared well on the road. For Riverside, four of its seven shutouts have been elsewhere while three of Catlin Gabel's five ties have been away. In each match, the Eagles have given up two goals.

Kickoff is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. The ticket booths and gates will open at 9:30 a.m. Tickets for adult will be \$8, and for students with a current student ID, \$5.

Pro Football

Seahawks win in the desert



Seattle Seahawks tight end Jimmy Graham (88) celebrates his touchdown catch against the Arizona Cardinals during the second half Thursday's game in Glendale, Ariz.

AP Photo/Ross D. Franklin

Seattle beats divisional foe, but injuries continue to pile up

By **BOB BAUM**
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Thursday Night Football



GLENDALE, Ariz. — Russell Wilson threw two touchdown passes to Jimmy Graham and the Seattle Seahawks added to their history of success in Arizona with a 22-16 victory over the Cardinals on Thursday night.

The Seahawks (6-3) limited Adrian Peterson to 29 yards in

21 carries in a game marred by a host of injuries and penalties, most of them against Seattle, to improve to 4-0-1 in Arizona in Bruce Arians' five seasons as

coach of the Cardinals (4-5).

The only time the Seahawks haven't beaten Arians' team in Arizona was in last season's 6-6 tie.

Seattle's Kam Chancellor forced a fumble by Peterson on Arizona's first offensive play and later tackled him in the end zone for a safety.

At least seven players left the game with injuries, including Seattle cornerback Richard

Sherman, who limped off the field in the third quarter with a heel injury. Peter Carroll said after the game that Sherman suffered a ruptured Achilles and will likely miss the remainder of the season.

Wilson, sacked a season-high five times, completed 22 of 32 passes for 238 yards. Arizona's Drew Stanton, in his second start since Carson Palmer went

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Sports shorts

Cowboys' Elliott loses appeal; ineligible to play Sunday

NEW YORK (AP) A federal appeals court in New York City has denied Dallas Cowboys running back Ezekiel Elliott's bid to keep a six-game suspension over alleged domestic violence on hold.

Elliott was in court and the denial of the injunction makes him ineligible in Sunday's game at Atlanta.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled Thursday that Elliott didn't meet the standards to continue blocking the suspension but ordered a hearing as soon as it could be scheduled.

He played the first eight games on three different legal reprieves. It wasn't immediately clear how soon the court would rule on Elliott's claim that he was treated unfairly by the NFL.



Elliott

"These are very unusual findings to see in an individual of this age. We've never seen this in our 468 brains, except in individuals some 20 years older."

— Dr. Ann McKee

The director of Boston University's CTE Center said in regards to the latest findings of former New England Patriots player Aaron Hernandez, who suffered substantial damage to parts of the brain that affect memory, judgment and behavior from the most severe case of a degenerative disease linked to head blows.

Bennett reunites with Patriots after being waived by Packers

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. (AP) — The New England Patriots claimed tight end Martellus Bennett off waivers on Thursday, a day after he was cut by the Green Bay Packers for "failing to disclose a physical condition."

If Bennett passes a physical, he will be reunited with the team he won a Super Bowl with last season. The Patriots face the Broncos in Denver on Sunday night.

Bennett signed with the Packers as an unrestricted free agent this past offseason, securing a three-year, \$21 million contract that included a \$6.3 million signing bonus. He has started seven games this season, with 24 catches for 233 yards.

But it's been a huge drop-off from his output with the Patriots last season, when he caught 55 passes for 701 yards and had a career-high seven touchdowns.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1984 Wild Again holds off Slew O' Gold and Gate Dancer to capture the \$3 million Breeders' Cup Classic in the inaugural Breeders' Cup at Hollywood Park. English-bred Lashkari overtakes All Along in the final strides to win the \$2 million Turf race by a neck.

1990 The Phoenix Suns shatter the NBA record with 107 points in the first half of a 173-143 victory over the Denver Nuggets.

2007 Miami ends its 70-year stay at the famed Orange Bowl with the biggest shutout loss in the stadium's history a 48-0 rout to Virginia.

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