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Heppner High School's Jace Coe (20) sweeps left as Brock Hisler (32) blocks Regis defender Noah Koenig (3) on Nov. 6, 2021, in the first round of the OSAA 2A State Football Championship at the Morrow County Fairgrounds, Heppner. The Mustangs dominated the Rams 43-8 and will face the Weston-McEwen TigerScots Saturday, Nov. 13, in the quarterfinal round at 1 p.m. in Heppner.

Eastern Oregon showdown

Heppner, W-M to meet in 2A quarterfinals

By ANNIE FOWLER
East Oregonian

HEPPIER — One of the biggest high school football games in Eastern Oregon, in recent memory, will be played Saturday, Nov. 13, as Heppner hosts Weston-McEwen in the 2A state quarterfinals.

While the top-ranked Mustangs come into the game on a 28-game win streak, Heppner coach Greg Grant

WESTON-MCEWEN STAT LEADERS

Passing				
Player	Att	Comp	Yds	TDs
Blane Peal	96	57	1,185	13
Rushing				
Player	Car	Yds	TDs	
Levie Phillips	116	694	11	
Aiden Wolf	17	113	2	
Peyton Sinclear	22	83	2	
Receiving				
Player	Rep	Yds	TDs	
Theo White	14	385	4	
Cameron Reich	15	350	5	
Chase Fehrenbacke	6	197	2	

HEPPNER STAT LEADERS

Passing				
Player	Att	Comp	Yds	TDs
Landon Mitchell	110	65	956	16
Rushing				
Player	Car	Yds	TDs	
Brock Hisler	128	1,005	11	
Jace Coe	25	326	3	
Caden George	29	302	2	
Receiving				
Player	Rep	Yds	TDs	
Jace Coe	24	434	6	
Zander Fisher	9	178	3	
Kason Cimmyotti	8	152	3	

knows his team will not face the same Weston-McEwen team the Mustangs

beat 39-0 in Blue Mountain Conference play on Oct. 1.

"It would be a mistake

to think you can predict the

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Cardinals, Rockets earn SD2 honors

By ANNIE FOWLER
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IONE — The Ione/Arlington Cardinals, who qualified for the Class 1A state playoffs, placed six players on the Special District 2 all-league football team.

Senior Taylor Rollins was a first team kicker and punter, also was named to the second team as a running back and guard and was an honorable mention selection at linebacker.

Rollins rolled up 712 yards rushing on 91 carries for 13 touchdowns. He also led the team with 106 tackles.

Aziel Borghese was named a second-team receiver. He had 28 receptions for 322 yards and seven touchdowns.

Bryce Rollins was a second-team guard and defensive end. He had 82 tackles and led the team with nine quarterback sacks.

Carson Eynetich was selected as an honorable mention quarterback and



Borghese

Ford

Otteson

Bryce Rollins

Taylor Rollins

SPECIAL DISTRICT 2

OFFENSE

First Team

Quarterback — Jace Otteson, so., Pilot Rock. Running backs — Aaron Smith, sr., Lyle; Gideon Gray, sr., Enterprise. Receiver — Austin Ford, so., Pilot Rock. Center — Justin Frost, so., Imbler. Guards — Nevin Goldsmith, jr., Enterprise and Noah Insko, jr., Imbler. Kicker/punter — Taylor Rollins, sr., Ione/Arlington.

Second Team

Quarterback — Joshua Taylor, jr., Dufur. Running backs — Krager Muienburg, sr., Imbler; Taylor Rollins, sr., Ione. Receivers — Aziel Borghese, so., Ione/Arlington; Caden Fent, jr., Enterprise; Landon Ellis, jr., Dufur. Center — Nick Muschawek, jr., Lyle. Guards — Bryce Rollins, jr., Ione/Arlington; Taylor Roll-

ins, sr., Ione/Arlington.

Honorable Mention

Quarterbacks — Jackson Decker, sr., Enterprise; Kole Martin, jr., Sherman; Carter Crook, sr., Imbler; Carson Eynetich, jr., Ione/Arlington. Running backs — Cody Phillips, so., Dufur; Jacob Jones, sr., Dufur. Centers — August Harvey, jr., Dufur; Cody Fent, jr., Enterprise. Guards — Isaac Marble, jr., Lyle; Austin Fink, so., Lyle.

DEFENSE

First Team

Interior linemen — John Howard, so., Enterprise; Jacob Jones, sr., Dufur; Payden Bowles, jr., Imbler. Defensive ends — Cody Fent, jr., Enterprise; Jeremiah Martin, so., Imbler. Linebackers — Chase Duncan, jr., Enterprise; Cody Phillips, so., Dufur. Defensive backs

— Joshua Taylor, jr., Dufur; Dallin Rasmussen, so., Imbler.

Second Team

Interior linemen — Isaac Marble, jr., Lyle; August Harvey, jr., Dufur. Defensive ends — Bryce Rollins, jr., Ione/Arlington; Nevin Goldsmith, jr., Enterprise. Linebackers — Isaih Trujillo, so., Imbler. Defensive backs — Tyler Knapp, fr., Enterprise; Kole Martin, jr., Sherman.

Honorable Mention

Interior linemen — Kellen Gronquist, jr., Ione/Arlington. Defensive ends — Sam Grady, sr., Ione/Arlington. Linebackers — Taylor Rollins, sr., Ione/Arlington; Riley Smith, so., Lyle; Aaron Smith, sr., Lyle. Defensive backs — Carson Eynetich, jr., Ione/Arlington; Jackson Decker, sr., Enterprise.

defensive back.

Sam Grady earned honorable mention honors at defensive end, while Kellen Gronquist was an honorable mention interior lineman.

Pilot Rock had two play-

ers selected to the first team — quarterback Jace Otteson and receiver Austin Ford, who was a unanimous selection.

Otteson threw for 1,122 yards and 21 touchdowns,

and ran for 360 yards and three touchdowns.

Ford was Otteson's favorite receiver with 681 yard and 16 touchdowns. He also had two punt returns for touchdowns.



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Nixyaawii's Mersayus Hart serves the ball during a game against Griswold on Oct. 6, 2021, in Helix. The junior was named to the Old Oregon League all-league volleyball team.

Nixyaawii's Hart earns second-team OOL honors

By ANNIE FOWLER
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MISSION — Nixyaawii junior Mersayus Hart was named to the Old Oregon League all-league volleyball team after helping the Golden Eagles to their first appearance in the OOL district tournament since the program began in 2014.

"She's an amazing player with a consistent serve, with the quickness to pass/save balls that weren't necessarily in her area," Nixyaawii coach Jacinthia Stanley said. "She was one of our key blockers and always had a good attitude. She will return next year as a senior, and we are very excited about that."

Nixyaawii junior Grace Moses-Watchman was selected to the honorable mention team, as was Griswold sophomore Ainsley Curtiss.

The Golden Eagles finished with a 7-8 overall record, while the Grizzlies were 5-12.

Joseph, which lost in the 1A state quarterfinals to eventual state champion

OLD OREGON LEAGUE

Coach of the Year: Jill Hite, Joseph.
Player of the Year: Aimee Meyers, so., Joseph.

First Team

Aimee Meyers, so., Joseph; Joelle Treat, sr., Imbler; Rachel Baird, sr., Cove; Cooper Nave, so., Joseph; Erika Adams, sr., Elgin; Allison Stirewalt, sr., Imbler.

Second Team

Autumn Dobbs, so., Cove; Harvest Coston, jr., Imbler; Molly Curry, jr., Joseph; Ayla Bingham, so., Powder Valley; Haley Brockamp, sr., Wallowa; Mersayus Hart, jr., Nixyaawii; Trinity Nesser, sr., Powder Valley.

Honorable Mention

Sarah Orr, sr., Joseph; Marli Lind, fr., Powder Valley; Carlee Porter, sr., Cove; Ainsley Curtiss, so., Griswold; Libby Fisher, jr., Wallowa; McKenzie Keffer, jr., Joseph; Grace Moses-Watchman, jr., Nixyaawii; Taylor Cochell, sr., Pine Eagle.

North Douglas, finished the season with a 24-4 record. The Eagles had five players selected to the OOL team, including sophomore Aimee Meyers, who was voted Player of the Year by the league coaches.

Joseph's Jill Hite was named Coach of the Year.

BMCC places 2 on East Region men's soccer team

Arguello and Nunez will play in All-Star Game on Sunday

By ANNIE FOWLER
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Arguello

Nunez

PENDLETON — Blue Mountain Community College midfielder Adrian Arguello and defender Emilio Nunez were selected to the Northwest Athletic Conference East Region All-Star Team.

Arguello and Nunez also will play in the NWAC All-Star Game at 9 a.m. Sunday at the Starfire Complex in Tukwila, Washington.

The Timberwolves finished the season with a 7-5-1 record. They lost a 5-4 game to Everett on Nov. 3, in the first round of the NWAC

regional playoffs.

BMCC hosted the playoff game, which was a first for the Timberwolves in school history.

Nunez, a sophomore from Hermiston, finished with one assist on the season, but was part of a defense that allowed just 1.38 goals a game.

Arguello, a freshman from Caldwell, Idaho, scored a team-high eight goals and had three assists.

Reymundo Mendez of Columbia Basin College was named Player of the Year, while North Idaho's Ken Thompson was selected as the Coach of the Year.

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