

Mustangs To Meet Wahtonka, McEwen In Cage Contests

Heppner opens the second round of Greater Oregon League basketball play Friday night as it hosts the Wahtonka High school Eagles of The Dalles. The Mustangs hope to extend their 5-0 league record when they meet the Eagles, a team they have beaten once this season.

Tuesday night, the Mustangs will travel to Athena to meet the McEwen Scotties in a non-league contest.

Earlier in the season the Mustangs met the Wahtonka club on the Eagles' home court in The Dalles. In that contest, the Wasco club proved surprisingly tough and made the Heppner club scramble to gain a 49-45 win.

The Mustangs, on the other hand, are convinced that an unusually small gym and a cold night from the field were the reasons for their mediocre showing against the Eagles and will be out to prove their point to the home fans.

The Horsemen hope to further their 12-1 season's record when they meet the Eagles and at the same time, gain more punch in their drive for the loop crown.

Tuesday night the Mustangs will put a lot of prestige on the block when they meet the scrappy Scotties, another team they have faced victoriously this season.

Although the McEwen club is in the state B ranks, it is highly regarded by the A-2 clubs in the area. The Scotties knocked off A-2 Pilot Rock earlier in the year by a considerable margin to make others sit up and take notice.

In their earlier meeting, the Scots lost a squeaker to the home club by a 64-58 margin. In that contest, the lead changed hands many times and the Mustangs had to go all-out to gain their triumph.

Friday evening the McEwen five dumped highly regarded Weston to the tune of 79-47 as three of their starters hit in the double figures. The win put the Scots in sole possession of the lead in the Umatilla-Morrow league with a record of 9-0.

Should the Mustangs drop the Tuesday contest to the Scots it would seriously jeopardize the Mustangs fifth place rating among the top ten A-2 quintets in the state.

In the initial meeting between the clubs, the Mustangs were without the services of Doug Dubuque and Ken Smith. With Dubuque in the line-up for this contest, the Mustangs expect to give the Scots a whirl for control of the boards. Smith's ball handling talents will also weigh heavily in the Heppner plans.

Mike Shields leads the high-powered McEwen scoring attack and is a threat on the boards. In the first contest, Shields counted 21 against the Mustangs.

Heppner High Aids In CARE Crusade

Student of the Heppner High school have joined with many of their fellow Americans in heeding the needs of their international neighbors by sending their personalized help directly to those in hunger and distress, through CARE.

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BALL HAWKING is a talent well handled by Stuart Dick, Mustang guard. Dick has kept the enemy off balance with his ball handling wizardry.

Mustang Freshmen Bounce Arlington In Cage Meeting

Heppner High's freshman basketball team extended its season's record to 5-0 Tuesday night by downing Arlington's freshmen, 47-37.

The baby Mustangs ripped the twine for 12 points in the first quarter to capture a 12-9 lead. Jim Jacobs led them in their initial assault by blasting eight points through the hoop.

The rooks continued to roll in the second stanza as they counted another 12 points and took a 24-18 advantage into the locker room at halftime.

Mac Hoskins, center for the yearlings, went on a scoring binge in the third quarter to net 12 points and lead the team to a 41-25 advantage.

Coach Don McClure inserted his bench into the contest for the last period and the squad coasted to its victory.

Coaches Bob Cantonwine and McClure handle the mentoring for the rook squad which has given something to look forward to in the coming seasons. The team has won all five of its games this year and has done it in grand style.

The yearlings bombed Pilot Rock, 48-26; thrashed Condon twice, 63-38 and 81-47; and defeated Arlington twice, 53-33 and 47-37.

Jim Doherty is high point maker for the Mustang hopefuls with an average of 15 points per contest. Close behind Doherty in the scoring department is Mac Hoskins, center, who is hitting at a 13.6 point average.

Another fine scorer for the rooks is Jim Jacobs. Jacobs has scored 58 points in five contests for an 11.6 per game clip.

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Rockets Doused By Heppner Five In 55-47 Contest

Heppner's Mustang basketball five traveled to Pilot Rock Friday night determined to keep their unblemished league record intact but had to pull all stops to gain a 55-47 win over the riled Rockets.

The Mustangs outshot the Rockets from the floor, 333 to 316 to provide the margin of victory.

Pilot Rock opened fast and took a 8-2 lead before it hit a cold spell and allowed the Heppnerites to catch them and take a 10-8 first quarter lead.

During the course of the second stanza, the Rockets appeared even more determined to upset the Mustangs as they battled to 24-22 halftime score with the Mustangs protecting their minute lead.

After the intermission, the Rocket attack sputtered momentarily and by the end of the third period, the Heppner squad had increased its margin to six points at 40-34.

The Rockets kept up the chase in the final eight minutes but couldn't mount a serious threat as the Mustang cagers fought doggedly to preserve their win.

Richard Mikel put out a tremendous effort for the Umatilla county club and ended the game with 28 points. During the evening, Mikel also collared 20 rebounds.

Lee Padberg turned ball hawk for the evening and garnered 20 points for the local quint. Dave George scored 13 points for the Heppner squad to bolster the Heppner attack.

Score:

PILOT ROCK (47)				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Long	0	0	1	0
Jones	3	2	4	8
Slate	4	2	4	10
Mikel	10	8	1	28
Anderson	0	0	3	0
Christenson	0	0	4	0
Baker	0	1	2	1
Totals	17	13	19	47

Score:

HEPPNER (55)				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Wright	4	1	2	9
Dick	0	0	1	0
Padberg	6	8	3	20
Bauman	0	0	3	0
George	3	7	4	13
Evans	1	0	0	2
Dubuque	2	1	5	5
Smith	3	0	3	6
Totals	19	17	21	55

Ponies Take Pair On Condon Floor

Heppner's Ponies took both basketball games from the Condon Demons Saturday, January 18, as the "B" team won, 29-19, and the "A" team came through with a 24-22 victory.

The Ponies' "B" team led at all quarter stops and at the half, 19-8. With the bench cleared, the Heppner lads went on to win by 10 points. Calvin Ashbeck led the scoring for Heppner.

Heppner's junior high "A" team had to play against a much taller Condon team, led by 6-0 center John Rinehart, but they overcame the handicap to win.

The Ponies maintained a 11-11 tie at the half, but in the third quarter fell behind by five points. In the last quarter the Heppner lads scored 11 points, with the last two coming on free throws with only 20 seconds left.



DAVE GEORGE, senior center for the Heppner High quint, has contributed much to the Mustang effort with his rebounding and scoring talents.

Jayvee Quintet Defeats Rockets

Heppner's jayvee basketball quintet kept on the winning side of the scoring column by downing the Pilot Rock Jayvees there Friday night, 48 to 45, bringing their season's mark to 6-4.

The Pilot Rock Jayvees showed strength in the first quarter by holding the Mustangs to six points and led at the stop, 12-6. In the second stanza the Mustangs found the range and poured in 15 points to the Rockets' six. Thus, the Heppner five had the lead at intermission, 21-18.

In the close third period the Mustangs barely kept the lead and were ahead at the start of the fourth, 32 to 31. The final quarter saw the game see-saw back and forth until the Mustangs pulled ahead in the last few minutes and won.

Mike Hughes of Pilot Rock led all scoring by throwing in 16 points. His teammates, Jack Hamilton and Mike McMohn, had 13 and 12 respectively. Sam Strait and Dave Hanna had 10 each for Heppner.

Score:

HEPPNER 48—Strait 10, Driscoll, Barratt 9, Wagenblast 1, Brown 6, Hanna 10, Clark 2, Heliker 8, Matheny 2.

PILOT ROCK 45—Hamilton 13, Wright 2, Winn, Hughes 16, McMohn 12, Mueller 2, Wohlfeld, Stanton, Estrada, Haley.

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FRIDAY—Salmon loaf, tartar sauce, mashed potatoes, lettuce salad, fruit, milk and bread and butter.

Dave Hall topped the scoring for Heppner.

After two weeks of rest, the Ponies play Umatilla on Saturday, February 1, starting at 1:30 p.m. in the Heppner gym.

Ione Dropped By Umatilla; Downs Honkers

Ione's Cardinal basketball five made a home stand over the week-end and split a pair of games. Friday night the Cards took on the Umatilla Vikings and gave them a real battle before the Redmen lost a 54-53 heartbreaker. Saturday night it was a more determined Ione squad that ran over the Arlington Honkers for a 80-45 win.

Ione started fast in the Viking game and jumped to an early 11-7 first quarter lead.

Umatilla came on strong in the second stanza and outshouted the Cards. The Viks counted 17 in the period while holding the Redbirds to 12 and took a one-point, 24-23 lead into the locker room at halftime.

The momentum of the Umatilla attack carried into the third quadrant as the Viks continued in their scoring barrage. By the end of the quarter, the Vikings had widened their lead to six points at 43-37.

With less than two minutes to go in the final period, the Umatilla five held an eight point advantage. At this point the Card warriors put on an enviable rally that pulled them into a tie with the Viks with less than a minute to play. This was as close as the Ione quint could get, however, as an over-anxious cager committed his fifth personal of the contest and the Vikings converted the error to their advantage and turned it into a three-point play.

Following this, the Cards were able to score another counter from the floor but were unable to overhaul the Viks. Jay Ball was top scorer for the Cards and for the contest as he hit the twine for 24 points. Mark Halvorsen counted 14 for the Ione quint.

Gilbert Thonstad led the Viking attack with 18 followed by Albert Eisele with 12.

Score:

UMATILLA (54)—Barber 9, Thonstad 18, Bensen 6, Eisele 12, Moore 4, Carrollo 2, Durand 3.

IONE (53)—Ball 24, Klinger, J. Halvorsen 7, M. Halvorsen 14, Heimbigner, Linstrom 8.

Ione displayed a well-balanced attack in the Saturday contest as it drubbed the Arlington cagers, 80-45.

The Cards coasted in the first half as they found little resistance from the Arlington club. At the intermission the Cardinals were in command of a 34-22 advantage.

Coach Dick Strait's charges really went to work in the third period as they hit the hoop with abandon and ended the stanza with a total of 26 points counted.

The third period was a good indication of what lay in store for the hapless Honkers in the final quarter.

During the last phase of the game the Redbirds found their mark for 20 points and held the Arlington crew to nine counters.

Three Ionians scored in the double figures for the night. Tom Heimbigner hit for 18, Mark Halvorsen for 17 and Joe Halvorsen popped the twine for 13. Wetherall led the Honkers with 11 marks.

Score:

ARLINGTON (45)—Sims 4, M. Wetherall 11, Nelson 9, Davis 4.

Cards Schedule League Contests

Ione High's Cardinals travel Friday night and play at home Saturday night as they meet a pair of tough basketball foes. Friday night the Cards will journey to Boardman to meet the Riverside Pirates. Saturday night the Ionians return to their home court to entertain the Weston Tigers.

The Redbirds will be trying for their first week-end sweep of the season when they battle their formidable foes. The Cards have had an up and down season but now are on the upsurge.

In the Riverside contest, the Cardinals will face the number three team in the current league standings. In an earlier meeting Riverside edged the Cards, 44-35 in a close contest.

In the first Riverside contest, the Ione quint put on a strong rally that fell short in the second half.

Weston is second in the league with a record of 7-2. The Tigers clobbered the Cards, 62-40, in their initial meeting of the season behind the hot shooting of

Walt Clark and Terry Peterson. A week-end sweep is a must for the Cardinals if they hope to remain in contention for a berth in the district tourney.

The Cards are currently in a three-way tie for the fifth spot in the league with a record of 4-5.

Son Born to Jones Family in Hood River

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Jones of Hood River are parents of a son, born Saturday, January 25, in the Hood River Memorial hospital. He has been named Floyd Guy and weighed 8 lbs. He joins a 3-year-old sister, Holly Lynn.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pendarvis of Hood River and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones, Heppner. Maternal great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Cooper of Hood River and paternal great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Jones of Heppner.

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