

Mustangs eke by Condon 59-58 in cliffhanger

With 25 seconds remaining in the game, John Myers sunk a jump shot to put the Mustangs ahead of the Blue Devils as the Heppner Mustangs handed the Condon Blue Devils a 59-58 defeat Friday night in Condon.

From the first jump ball, the Mustangs and Blue Devils battled neck-to-neck for the lead. The Blue Devils, aided by height and rebound ability, finally pulled ahead of the Mustangs and took a 14-10 lead in the first quarter.

The Mustangs came back in the second quarter and pulled off rebounds to stay within a few points of the leaders. They finally tied the Blue Devils with 4:41 seconds remaining in the half. John Boyer sunk the tie basket for the Mustangs.

The Blue Devils began to put on pressure, but failed to pull ahead of the Mustangs by more than one or two points. Barry Munkers sunk a basket with 1:22 seconds left and put the Mustangs out in front 28-26. The Mustangs ended the quarter by leading the Blue Devils 29-27.

During the third quarter, neither team lost the fighting spirit as both continued to take the lead from one another.

Tom Roberts sparked the Mustangs throughout the quarter by stealing the ball from the Blue Devils.

The Blue Devils took a 1 point lead at the end of the third quarter.

Condon kept the lead until the last four minutes of the fourth quarter when John

Boyer tied the game 50-50. Condon took the lead, but not for long, as the Mustangs tied it up with 1:28 seconds remaining in the game.

Then the tables came off to turn as John Myers came off the bench for the Mustangs.

Craig Pattee fouled Mike Bergstrom and Bergstrom put Heppner ahead 55-54 with 56 seconds left.

Greg Shearer hit a basket for Condon and secured a 1 point lead. With 25 seconds left, the Heppner Mustangs took the lead with a jump shot from Myers and secured the victory.

The win marks the third straight non-conference victory for the Mustangs.

The Mustangs outrebounded the Blue Devils 43-40 with

Mike Bergstrom and John Kilkenny grabbing 20 and 13 rebounds respectively.

Condon outshot the victors by sinking 27 out of 81 shots from the field and 4 out of 12 free throws. Heppner made 11 out of 16 free throws and 24 out of 83 field goals.

John Boyer tallied 19 points for Heppner and Kenny Eckman and John Myers scored 13 and 10 respectively.

Top scorers from Condon were Greg Shear and Bryce Logan with 12 points each.

"We did an outstanding job on defensive with Mike Bergstrom and John Kilkenny on the boards," said Heppner Coach Dean Naffziger.

"We had an excellent team effort from every Mustang." The Mustangs travel to

Wallowa this weekend to play in the Wallowa Christmas Tournament.

On Dec. 27, the Mustangs will play the Blue Mountain Community College junior varsity team. The game will begin at 8 p.m. at the Heppner High School gymnasium.

Heppner	10	19	14	16	59
Condon	14	13	17	14	58

Heppner-Boyer 19, Eckman 13, Munkers 2, Myers 10, Bergstrom 6, Roberts 6, Kilkenny 3.

Condon-Logan 12, Shearer 12, Easton 10, Lantis 10, Kackley 1.

Cardinals squeak by Tigers, 41-40

In a close game the lone Cardinals topped the Stanfield Tigers, 41 - 40, in the consolation game of the Echo Holiday Tournament Saturday night.

The Cards and Tigers battled in the first quarter and Ione came up on top at the end of the quarter by 1 point. Stanfield rallied in the second quarter to take a 23-20 halftime lead.

It didn't take the Cards long to capture the lead as they outscored the Tigers 12-9 in the third quarter and 10-8 in the fourth quarter.

Phil Carlson led the lone scoring with 14 points. Charlie McElligott and Mike Warren tallied 10 and 9 points respectively for the victors. Carlson was the top rebounder for the Cards.

Ione outrebounded the Tigers 25-19. The Tigers, however, had a better shooting percentage than the Cards. The Tigers sunk 16 out of 37 field goals for a 43 per cent, while the Cards made 16 out of 46 field goals. At the free throw line Ione sank 9 shots and the Tigers sank 8.

"Along with the victory, we placed a man on the all-tournament team," said Ione Coach Del LaRue. Mike Warren gained the top five honors.

Ione travels to Wallowa Dec. 28 to play in the Wallowa Tournament.

Ione - Carlson 14, Warren 9, McElligott 10, J. Peterson 2, Peterson 6.

Stanfield - Berry 4, Kasari 8, Newland 21, Netherda 2, Barger 3, Hoskins 2.

CINDY DOUGHERTY HEADS TRACKERS

The Two Trackers, 4-H horse club, held a meeting Dec. 11 to elect officers for the coming year.

Officers elected are: Cindy Dougherty, president; Kelly Hammond, vice-president; Wendy Myers, secretary; and Nancy Miller, news reporter.

After the election, the annual Christmas party was held, with the members exchanging gifts.

Umatilla bests lone, 49-36

The Umatilla Vikings outscored the lone Cardinals in the first half, 30-11, for a 49-36 victory in Friday night's opener of the Echo Holiday Tournament at Umatilla.

The Vikings quickly took the lead in the first quarter by sinking 12 points to the Cards 4. The leaders tallied 18 more points in the second quarter to gain a comfortable lead at halftime.

The Cards, sparked by a halftime pep talk, rallied 10 points in the third quarter and held the Vikings to only points. The fighting Cards tallied 15 more in the fourth quarter but it wasn't enough.

Mike Warren and Paul Peterson each scored 14 points for the Cardinals. The Vi-

kings' leading scorer was Cary Sherrow with 16 points. Sherrow also grabbed 8 rebounds.

The victors outrebounded the losers 34 to 24. The Vikings shot 39 per cent from the field and made one out of two free throws. The Cardinals had 29 per cent at the free throw line and made 31 per cent of their field shots.

Montgomery heads up Wranglers

The Wranglers held their annual Christmas party at the Morrow County Fairgrounds, Dec. 1.

A potluck supper preceded a business meeting that was highlighted by a visit from Sant Claus. The rest of the evening was spent dancing to the music of the Roberts musicians.

New officers elected are: Bob Montgomery, president; Lee Palmer, vice-president; Gwen Healy, financial secretary; and Merlyn Robinson, recording secretary. Directors elected for two-year terms were Jerry Myers and Kite Healy. Bob Van Schoiack will serve on the board for a one-year term. Holdover directors are Allen Hughes and Ron Haguewood.

The by-laws were amended to change meeting dates from one per month to four major meetings per year. The board will meet first in January, and other meetings will be called when necessary.

Bev Steagall was appointed judge on a panel with rodeo board members for the forthcoming princess tryouts. Bob Van Schoiack is the Wrangler representative at rodeo board meetings.

Lee Palmer received a prize for having the largest number of guests present, and door prizes were won by Scott Dougherty, Barbara Palmer and Merlyn Robinson.

Annual Christmas bird count today

The annual Christmas Bird Count will be held today, Dec. 20.

This official count, conducted by the Heppner High School Biology Department, is done within strict guidelines of the American Audubon Society. The count is a 15-mile diameter circle which is divided up into six sections or groups, with six to ten participants in each.

Many local people, college students and Heppner High School students make up groups which canvass the area in motor vehicles and on several walks. Both the species and numbers of birds counted will be compiled and submitted to the Audubon

Society.

On Dec. 13, the Heppner High School Biology Department went to Umatilla National Bird Refuge to study migratory birds and waterfowl.

The group, ten students and the instructor, Stephen Brownfield, spent the day identifying birds and studying the entire wildlife picture of the refuge. Participants report an excellent trip with 39 different species of birds seen, an unusually large number.

Morrow County Court will not meet Wednesday, Dec. 26, according to Judge Paul Jones. The next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1974.

Heppner JVs whip Condon, 62-50

Height and good shooting paid off Friday for the Heppner JVs who downed the Condon JVs 62-50 at Condon.

Heppner, paced by Dave McLachlan, shot 47 per cent from the field with McLachlan scoring 30 points. Condon shot 26 per cent from the field.

The losers had a better free throw percentage than the victors, with Condon shooting 62 per cent and Heppner 33 per cent.

Heppner was in the lead from the first quarter. They outscored their opponents every quarter except the third. Condon rallied at halftime, sinking 19 points to Heppner's 12.

Top rebounder for the Mustangs was DeWayne McLain with 12 rebounds; Dave McLachlan followed with 11.

"We played a good defensive ballgame but we threw the ball away too many times," said Heppner JV Coach Duane Neiffer.

The next game for the JVs will be Friday night at Wallowa. The battle with the Wallowa JVs begins at 6:30 p.m.

Umatilla	12	18	10	9	49
lone	4	7	10	15	36

Umatilla	Armstrong 6,
Carollo 4, Sherrow 16, Laferty 7, Anderson 4, Barto 2, Nielson 2, Morse 4.	
lone - Carlson 3, Warren 14, P. Peterson 14, Gutierrez 1, Gates 2.	

Heppner	16	18	12	16	62
Condon	10	13	19	8	50

Heppner-Dave McLachlan 30, Wade Padberg 14, Clayton Wilson 8, DeWayne McLain 8, Mike Orwick 2.

Condon-Gary Miller 19, Stan Carnine 12, Tom Fatland 6, Daulton Warren 5, Mike Campbell 5, Joe Slagel 2, Dewey Kennedy 1.

CAREER, JOB SIMINAR DAY AT BLUE MOUNTAIN

"Wow Day" will be held March 2 at Blue Mountain Community College for Morrow County high school students.

The career and job seminar day is sponsored by the county extension service, Morrow County high schools, and Blue Mountain Community College.

Further information on the career day will be announced later, according to Birdine Tullis, co-ordinator of the event.

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA EARNED THROUGH BMCC

Sam Barraza, an employee of the United States Forest Service, received his adult high school diploma recently by attending Blue Mountain Community College evening classes.

Any person wishing to work toward a high school diploma or G.E.D. is asked to contact Anne Doherty, 676-5050, for further information.

Merry Christmas

-An original drawing by Chris Wright

Cal's Arco Station

Cal Sherman

lone	11	8	12	10	41
Stanfield	10	13	9	8	40

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