

Mustangs tame Tigers, 55-49

The Heppner Mustangs tamed the Stanfield Tigers at the Heppner gymnasium Saturday night, 55-49.

The Tigers got the first score in the opening seconds of play, but the Mustangs managed to keep them from any further scoring for the next two minutes. The Mustangs went scoreless, but finally they found the basket and were able to hit the basket and get on the board. When the first quarter ended the Tigers led the Mustangs 10-8.

The second period was a see-saw game with neither team able to capitalize on the other team's mistakes and turnovers. With 1:06 left in the second period the Mustangs were able to take the lead from the Tigers for the first time. At the half the Mustangs led the Tigers 25-24.

In the third quarter the Mustangs took advantage of the Tiger's turnovers and really started to hit the basket. During the period they had as much as a 9-point lead over their opponents.

During the last period the Tigers came close to regaining the lead. However, the height and the rebounding

efforts of the Mustangs proved to be the telltale factor in the game. With 33 seconds left the Mustangs had a 6-point lead, 52-46, and a shot from the foul line made the 55-49 final score.

John Kilkenny was high point man for the Mustangs with 20 points, Dave McLachlan with 17, Ken Eckman 7, Dave McLeod 3 and Clayton Wilson, Jerry Gentry, Mike Mills and Clay West 2 each.

Keith Garber of the Tigers scored 16 points; Jim Newland 15, Brent Kasari 8, Cory Pearson 5, Don Weems and Tony Ramos had 2 each, and Marvin Mills scored 1.

The Mustangs hit 22 x 55 from the field for a .400 average and hit on 11 x 23 from the free throw line for a .478 average.

The Tigers hit on 20 x 63 from the field for a .317 average and scored on 9 of 18 from the foul line for a .500 average.

This Friday night the Mustangs host the Tiger-Scots of Weston-McEwen. The JVs open the game at 6 p.m., followed by the varsity game at 7:30 o'clock.

Ione loses 60-50

The Ione Cardinals were defeated by Touchet, 60-50, Friday night in a non-conference game.

The Cardinals took a quick 12-6 lead at the end of the first quarter but were unable to hold Touchet in the second period when they scored 20 points to the Cards eight.

In the third period the Cards and Touchet played even ball with the Cards scoring 14 points and Touchet, 13.

The Cards were only able to score 16 points in the final period while their Washington opponents scored 21.

Both teams made 22 field goals, but Touchet took advantage of the free throws from the foul line as they made 16 x 23 while Ione could only sink 6 x 20.

This Friday night the Cardinals travel to Echo for another non-conference game. Saturday night they host Umapine in their first league game of the Big Sky Conference.

ROBERT PIERCE DIES

Robert Pierce, formerly of Heppner, died at Good Shepherd Hospital, Hermiston, Monday. Funeral arrangements are pending at Burns Mortuary Chapel, Hermiston.

Heppner takes close game from Wasco Co.

The Heppner Mustangs staved off a last-minute attack by the Redsides to defeat Wasco County 53-50, Friday night at Maupin.

The Mustangs grabbed a fast lead in the first period of play and ended the first period with a 13-7 lead over the Redsides.

Their lead was short lived as the Redsides came back, found the range and took the lead from the Mustangs by scoring 20 points to the Mustangs' 10, and led at the half 27-23.

It was the Mustangs most of the way in the third period as they held the Redsides to 7 points for the period while they scored 18 of their own. As the third period ended the Mustangs had a 41-34 lead.

In the fourth quarter the Mustangs gave the Redsides a slight edge as the Redsides battled back for a win. However, the Mustangs were able to preserve their lead. The Redsides were down by 8 points with 23 seconds left in the game when Don Ellingsworth grabbed a missed Mustang field goal and raced down the court to assist in a 3 point play for the Redsides. Another stolen ball resulted in two more points for the Redsides, but time ran out as they had narrowed the Mustang lead to 3 points. The final score, Mustangs 53, Wasco County 50.

The Mustangs hit on 19 x 48 from the field for .396 per cent and hit on 15 x 30 from the foul line for 500 per cent. The Redsides hit on 13 x 48 from the field for .271 average and

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Statistics—turnovers: Weston-McEwen 15, Pirates 23, Redsides 32, field goals, Weston-McEwen 34-76, Pirates 29-62, free throws, Weston-McEwen 11-21, Pirates 6-14.

hit 14 x 32 from the free throw line for 438 per cent.

Top scoring honors for the Redsides went to Morelli with 16 points, followed by Enterline with 12, DeClue 11, Ball 7, Woodside and Ellingsworth 4 each and Moore with 2.

Scoring for the Mustangs were Ken Eckman with 17 points, followed by John Kilkenny 12, Dave McLachlan 7, Clayton Wilson 6, Jerry Gentry with 4, Dave McLeod 3, Mike Mills and DeWayne McClain 2 each.

Pirates lose to Scots

The Riverside Pirates lost to the Tiger-Scots of Weston-McEwen, 79-46, Saturday night at Athena.

The Pirates managed to grab a first quarter lead, and led the Scots by three points as the quarter ended, 14-11. But the Pirates soon saw their lead diminish as the Scots came back in the second period and scored 22 points to the Pirates' 11 and led the Pirates 33-25 at the half.

The third quarter was the Scots all the way, as they outscored the Pirates 27-6, and continued their lead through the fourth quarter, 19-15.

Jerry Zielinski, leading scorer for the Pirates, had a sprained foot and hit for only 12 points. Richards and Morlock scored 5 points each, Nelson 14, Hadley 6, Shoemaker and Smith 2 points each.

Meinhart led the scoring for the Scots with 18 points, followed by Adams with 16, D. Begner 10, J. Beamer, Barkley and King 6 each, Alford 3, Nix and Muncie, 2 points each.

This was the fourth straight defeat for the Pirates after starting the season with six straight wins.



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Cards wallop the Honkers

The Ione Cardinals defeated the Arlington Honkers at Ione Saturday night, 55-41.

The Cards were off to a fast lead, and as the first period ended the Cards led the Honkers, 15-6. In the second period the Cards were able to maintain their fast pace and again outscored the Honkers 13-8, and led 28-14 at the half.

In the third and final periods of the game the Cards and the Honkers were tied 10 and 17 points per period respectively, and the 14 point lead the Cards were able to get in the first two periods was the winning factor.

High point man for the Cards was Paul Peterson with 20 points, who was 7 x 8 from the field in the first half. He was followed by Mike Warren 7, Charlie McElligott 4, Todd Peterson 8, Kim Gutierrez 5, Rietmann and Griffith 3 each, Krebs 4, and Joel Peterson 1.

Tom Smythe led the Honkers with 15 points, followed by G. Smythe with 11. Ione had 21 x 74 from the field for .283 per cent and the Cards had 13 x 26 from the free throw line for 500 per cent. The Honkers had 14 x 46 from the field for .304 and 13 x 35 from the foul line for .371 per cent.

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