

Sporseen names tentative line-up



Marty Smith
6-3, 229
off/def tackle



Mike Smith
6-5, 248
off/def tackle



Mark Parker
5-6, 176
off guard/def lb



Chris Rauch
6-1, 194
off guard/def end



Chris Wright
6-0, 181
off center/def grd



Jerry Cutsforth
6-0, 160
off split end



Jeff Cutsforth
5-11, 160
off tight end



Tom Skow
5-5, 171
off fb/def lb



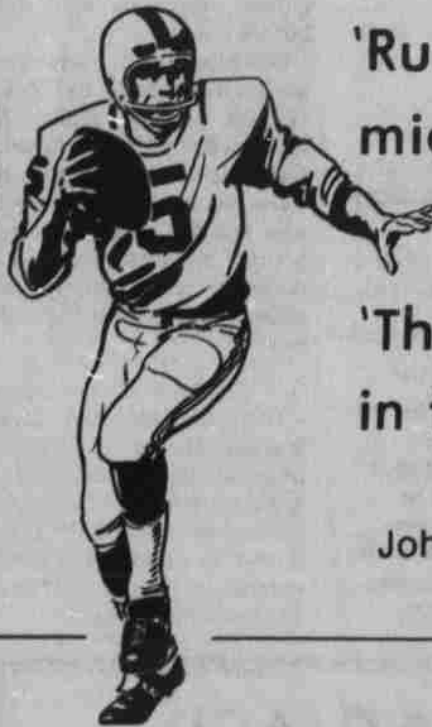
Dave Allstott
5-11, 168
off QB/def hb



Steve McLaughlin
5-8, 165
off tb/def hb



Wayne Seitz
6-0, 151
off wh/def hb



'Run up the middle'

'Throw in flats'

John Sporseen



John Schiller
5-7, 142
def end



Carl Christman
6-0, 170
def hb



Brian McLaughlin
5-9, 150
def hb

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The lone optimistic strain in Gordon Myers neck these days is that he faces Powder Valley, Friday, a team he knows nothing about.

What you don't know can't hurt you?

That's the view Myers is taking as a short roster is slapped into an eight-man football team for Friday's 2 p.m. encounter.

Discipline, eligibility and an injury already are hampering Myers already slim slate.

He has come up with a tentative lineup, fielded by a majority of underclassmen.

The tentative lineup for Ione's Cardinals Friday:

Offense: Glen Krebs, freshman center; Clint Carlson, junior and Dennis Thompson, junior guards; Todd Sherer, freshman, Scott Sherer, sophomore, and Robin LaRue, freshman, ends; Dennis Stefani, freshman quarterback; Terry Starr, freshman fullback; Kevin McCabe sophomore halfback.

Defense: Joe Gostad, junior and Carlson, guards; Todd Sherer, LaRue ends; McCabe and Starr, linebackers; Scott Sherer, Stefani, halfbacks.

When Myers says he's young, he means it. That roster lists four starting freshmen in 10 of the 16 positions. No seniors. Little leadership.

Myers calls his line the weakest spot because of size. He faces Powder Valley Friday at 2 p.m. in Ione.

While Myers is "confident" in his two running backs, Starr and McCabe, he seems to be more at ease with signal caller, Stefani's arm.

"We might try to throw the ball," he said, adding that the club may go 50-50 with their pass-run offense.

"50-50 doesn't always happen," Myers said. "But we could throw every other down."

"I've always been a running man, but we just don't have the horses up front."



Clint Carlson



Kevin McCabe

Becky Evans wins open horse show

Becky Evans, riding Tee 7 Critique, took the top horseman hardware last week in the champion performance division of the Morrow County Fair Open Horse Show.

Sally Sumner, on Nelda Raffles, took the reserve champion performance horse award.

Other awards from the Open Horse show included: Champion stallion: Sue and Mary Ann Greenup on Canadian Dancer; Reserve Champion stallion: Bill Brannon on Orvada Hill; Champion mare: Kelly Hammond on Smokey; Reserve champion: Lottie Laughlin on bubby Powder Face.

Champion gelding: Lori Witt on Young David; reserve champion gelding: Kyrnn Robinson on Broken Flash.

In other classes, the results were: Jr. Equitation for 11 and under: Tara Mahoney on Jan's LeVan, first; Annette Wilgers on Chie's Tony, second; Angela Evans on Bucky, third; and Trisha Mahoney on Baldy Canyon, fourth.

Western Pleasure for 12-14: Lori Witt on Leo 889, first; Anita Palmer on Cannon Ball, second; Tony Curtis on Girey, third; Ann Van Schick on B.J., fourth.

Jr. Western Equitation for 12-14: Donna Palmer on Johnny Jo, first; Kyrnn Robinson on Jackie Yearwood, second; Debra Palmer on Bitter Joe, third; Maureen Healy on Belle Bar, fourth.

Western Pleasure, 14 and under: Annette Wilgers on Chie's Tony, first; Sylvia Ladd on Jaxad, second; Trisha Mahoney on Baldy Canyon, third; and Tara Mahoney on Jan's LeVan, fourth.

Trail Class: Annette Wilgers first, Lottie Laughlin second, Anita Palmer third, and Brett Sherer fourth.

Roping over four years: Judy Curtis on Simpson's Friday, first; Cindy Dougherty on Susan, second; Marilyn Robinson on Tinky's Wrangler, third; Max Holberg on Thomasina, fourth.

Pony class: Steve Miller on Buck a ton, first; Jason Dougherty on Ginger, second; Scott Dougherty on Cade Bar, third; Jessy Curtis on Teddy, fourth; Ted Schwartz on Springer, fifth.

Beginning over four years: Becky Evans on Tee 7 Critique, first; Donna Palmer on Johnny Jo, second; Kyrnn Robinson on Broken Flash, third; and

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Mustangs face Condon Friday

While Columbia Basin Conference mentors eye Sherman County and Umatilla as possible title contenders, Marty McQuain's shy Blue Devils sit waiting for the right time to attack.

McQuain's Condon squad looks tough, boasting a young, yet experienced roster. Condon lost only two kids off last year's 4-5 league record.

A veteran team returns. But even the vets are young and at the end of the season, McQuain will lose only three to graduation.

The head mentor is anticipating a win at Heppner this

Friday but says the game "should be a good ball game." Mustang coach John Sporseen would agree with at least half that statement.

McQuain can sit comfortably, surveying a complete backfield, a center, two guards and a tackle off last season's Blue Devils.

At quarterback, signal caller Mack MacIntosh is back with backup Marty McQuain, the coach's son. At guards, David Greiner and Arvon Wickstrand return. Returners include David Hartley at center and tackle Bert Thayer. Thayer will move into the tight end spot this year.

The backfield can make McQuain smile.

Along with MacIntosh and son Marty, who also is a backfield starter, he looks at Tom Bare, impressive last year, and Mike Putnam.

Condon will return the same obscure 5-3 defense but according to McQuain may throw a four or six man line into action on occasion.

The Blue Devils are bigger than they've been in the past, able to boast of three men over 200 pounds and a "mess of them" at 170-185.

In the backfield, McQuain and Bare both pack 180 pound frames.

Another sophomore, Weatherford, who may get the starting nod Friday, adds 170 pounds and some speed to McQuain's list of assets.

Sporseen and company can expect to see the ball on the ground.

"We're basically a running ball club," McQuain explains. He said Condon might throw 15 per cent of the time.

McQuain, in his tenth year at Condon, is optimistic about the season chances, despite the fact he might have to do it as a dark horse.

Condon invades Mustang territory tomorrow (Friday) at 8 p.m. at the fairgrounds.

CBC Fight

Viks, WM, SC tabbed

Picking a favorite in this year's Columbia Basin Conference football race is no easy chore.

Four new coaches will make their CBC debuts this season, and a fifth, Oregon Trail's Gordon "Lucky" Proctor, heads the Blazers as Stanfield and Echo start a two-year trial merger.

One thing for sure, however. The league is tough and there aren't any pushovers.

In a poll taken with the circuit's nine head mentors, the same teams keep popping up as definite title contenders. Umatilla, Sherman County and Weston-McEwen.

Last season Riverside (6-2), and Weston-McEwen and Sherman County, the defending co-champions, all finished in the state's top 10 in the A classification.

Riverside Coach Mike Wetherall returns only eight lettermen from last year's winning outfit and is approaching this season with guarded optimism.

"We're real young . . . but it's real good, young talent," Wetherall offers. And though the offensive backfield will take on an almost entirely new look this season, the Pirates won't be overlooked by anybody. There's talent in the Riverside camp.

Umatilla does have seasoned veterans back from last year's 5-3 club. The Vikings are coached at Umatilla the past 22 years. He doesn't discount reports that his ballclub has little potential, but hasn't predicted a banner season either.

"This has been a real balanced league the past few years," says Durand. "And I look for it to be the same way this season."

Proctor cites Weston-McEwen's tradition, Umatilla's experience, and Sherman County's size as the league's strong points. But he's not counting his Blazers out of the race. He's stressing a winning attitude, and is anxiously awaiting his club's opener next Friday night at Sherman County.

Pilot Rock's first-year coach Ray Murphy says his club is "real young" with only six lettermen returning from last year's 3-6 club. He's been working hard on the running game and predicts his boys will be ready to tackle Riverside at Boardman next Friday night.

Murphy accumulated a 19-9 mark during three years at Powder Valley High School at North Powder. This includes one season as Baker "B" League champions.

Wasco County will unveil a new look this season under first-year coach John Durham. He says his club is "awfully young" with five seniors, seven juniors, seven sophomores and eight freshmen currently on the roster.

Durham, a graduate of the University of Idaho who just completed a three-year stint in the Army, said in a telephone interview Tuesday he's not very familiar with the Columbia Basin Conference.

"But I would guess from what I've heard and looked at Sherman County is gonna be tough . . . the team to beat."

The Redsidians open up with a home tilt against the Prairie City Panthers next Friday night.

The Weston-McEwen Tiger-Scots tied for the league title with Sherman County last year and wound up with an impressive 7-1 ledger.

"We lost 15 seniors this year," head coach John Huntsman said Tuesday. "But I think the progress of our younger kids has to rate us as contenders."

Junior Kim Sams will be moved from tight end to the quarterback slot. He'll direct what should be a powerful offensive attack.

Huntsman feels Umatilla and Sherman County are the clubs to beat entering the season.

"Umatilla has got to be real tough. It seems like about every four years they have a real good squad . . . it's about their turn again. And Sherman County will be strong . . . they have a lot of kids back."

Sherman County assistant coach Lance Bellow said Tuesday he feels the defending champs "are gonna be right in there."

They accumulated an 8-1 regular season mark last season before dropping a state semifinal contest with St. Maries. "Umatilla will be tough," Bellow added. "They've lost only a few kids to graduation."

Sherman County has 20 lettermen to build around. Their head coach is Lance Bellow, in his first year at the helm.