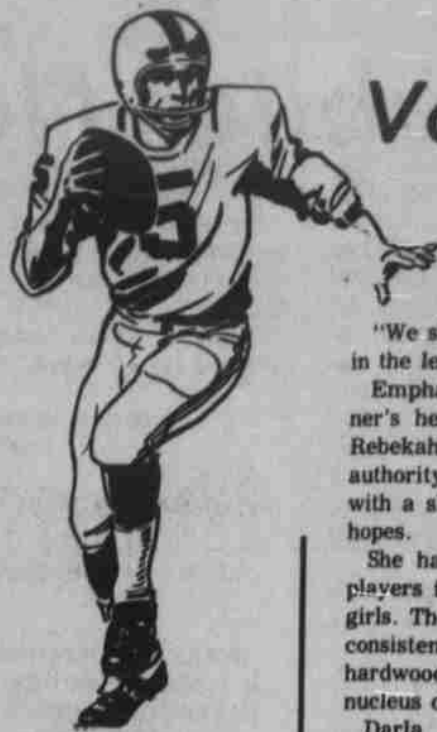


Mustangs pound Pilot Rock, 20-6



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Volleyballers 'should be number 1' in league

"We should be number one in the league."

Emphatic? You bet. Heppner's head volleyball coach, Rebekah Randall says it with authority and confidence and with a slight inkling of state hopes.

She has tabbed 12 varsity players from a turnout of 27 girls. The six girl team that consistently starts on the hardwood is made up around a nucleus of three seniors.

Darla Cooper, called by Randall "the best all-around player" is joined in the upper class ranks by Vicki Edmundson and Deb Holland.

Because of their height, Randall said Edmundson and Cooper are "probably the best setters in the league."

Deb's sister, Diane, a junior, plus sophomores Jackie Mollahan and Maureen Healy round out the starting six. With Deb Holland, these four are spikers.

Substitutes that see a good share of action are seniors Bonnie Schiller and Iva Lou McDaniels, juniors Janice Healy, Laurie Rea and Shelly Thompson, and sophomore Tanny Lucas.

Randall incorporates a 4-2 and 5-1 offense and relies heavily on the fundamentals of volleyball.

We don't go for much of that fancy stuff," she said, noting that the club simply works hard on bumps, sets, spikes and serves.

Vicki Edmundson and Rea got the nod from Randall as the team's best substituting servers. Diane Holland, Ran-

dall said, is the best regular playing server.

Randall eyes as her best spikers, Mollahan, both Hollands and Maureen Healy.

Heppner plays in the same league with Condon, Riverside, Lone, Wasco and Sherman County.



DARLA COOPER



VICKI EDMUNDSON



JACKIE MOLLAHAN



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PLAYER OF THE WEEK



MAUREEN HEALY



SHELLY THOMPSON



TAMMY LUCAS



DEB HOLLAND

SPORTS

Heppner's league leading Mustangs continued on the triumph trail Thursday, establishing a running game and a second win in as many outings at Pilot Rock, 20-6.

After what Mustang mentor John Sporseen termed a "pitiful" first half, Heppner gave the ball back to the ground gainers and ground out the victory.

The win left Heppner and Umatilla as the only undefeated teams in the nine team Columbia Basin Conference.

While the second half did produce a more substantial attack, the Mustang offense still was not over powering. But the Heppner defense dug in and held the 1-1 Rockets to less than 100 total yards.

The Rockets mustered 84 total yards, 17 in the air, against a tough Heppner defense, sparked by senior Tim Daly. Daly came up with five unassisted tackles and six assists.

Heppner's offensive rally wasn't all that much to jump about either but the Mustangs kicked up their heels for 83 yards on the ground and another 62 in the air, via two passes from Dave Allstott to Carl Christman.

The slow scoring game saw a pair of touchdowns in the first period. Christman was on the receiving end of a 48 yard job from Allstott that put the Mustangs out in front 6-0. A kick for the seventh point failed.

Pilot Rock came bouncing back in the same period when Bobby Walker turned a 49 yard jaunt into paydirt in the Mustang end zone. A run for two failed there.

Both clubs were dormant in the second period but things picked up for Heppner after intermission.

After that "pitiful first half", Sporseen went to his ground game. The first half produced a minus 30 yards on the ground for Heppner.

"We stopped fooling around throwing the ball. We made a lot of mistakes in the first half. We made mistakes in the second too, but we still did a pretty good job," Sporseen said, praising his players second stanza effort.

Steve McLaughlin was the leading ground gainer, churning up 56 yards on 14 carries. Tom Skow added 29 yards, Wayne Seitz 18 and Brian Marlin, seven.

Skow put Heppner in front for good with an eight yard off tackle burst in the third period. Allstott went to favorite receiver Christman, the Mustangs leading receiver with a 39 yard average, for the point after.

The third Heppner TD came on a two yard drive by QB Allstott.

The key, Sporseen said, was "buckling down and playing football in the second half." The Mustangs didn't throw the football once in the second half, picking up 114 yards on the ground after the loss in the first half.

Daly led the defensive tasks with Christman right behind him. Christman, last week's Player of the Week, had two unassisted tackles and 11 assists. Others with two unassisted tackles were Marty Smith, Chris Rauch, this week's Player of the week; Brian Marlin and Jim Kenny.

Inetia Cantin placed tenth in a field of 1216 with a 1650 series during almost two months of competition at the Oregon State Women's Bowling Association 33rd annual state tournament.

Cantin sparked a large contingent of Heppner women bowlers that participated well at the state level. Other winners and placers follow:

Double events: class A, 515 entries, 129 places—Roberta Klaus and Alvina Padberg tied 91-95 with eight other bowlers for a series of 1101 and \$45, \$4 each.

Class B, 1258 entries, 315 places—Phyllis Cole and Betty Mills, 36th place with a 1016 series and split of \$40.

Class D, 242 entries, 61 places—Bernice Nash and Darlene Arrington placed 35th

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with 838 series and split \$10.

Single events: Class A, 1312 entries, 328 places—Inetia Cantin tied for 52-53rd place, with another bowler with a 558 series and split \$24.

Class B, 2101 entries, 526 places—Jean Ball tied 124 through 127th places with four

other bowlers, with 510 series and split \$48. Alvina Padberg tied 310th through 322nd place with 13 other bowlers with a 485 series and split \$91. Jo Pettyjohn tied 345th through 364th with 20 other bowlers with a 485 series and \$120 split.

Class C, 1507 entries, 377 places—Roxie Lovgren tied 79th with a 484 series and split \$20. Shirley Connor tied 92-100th with 480 series and split \$85. Faye Ruhl tied 101-103 with 479 series and split \$27. Betty Mills tied 348-365 with 445 series and split \$72.

Class D, 647 entries, 162 places—Janice Paustian tied 140-143rd with 414 series and split \$16.

Class C all-around, 1367 entries, 171 places, Faye Ruhl was 99th with a 1381 series for \$7.

'Kept pounding away'

Touchet blanks lone

"They just kept pounding away and the dam finally broke," Gordon Myers, lone Cardinal, head mentor said after his Cardinals were soundly thumped by Touchet Friday, 36-0.

Ione was held to 17 total yards in the contest. Touchet, on the other hand, though they had no big offensive plays, managed to mount an offensive effort of 301 yards.

Ione hurt themselves with penalties and turnovers. Myers said "some of the calls were deserved" in the Cardinal's 160 yards in penalties. Couple the penalties with two fumbles, five interceptions and a picked off lateral and it adds up to plenty.

"Everytime I turned around, it seemed like it was first and 25," Myers said, noting that a couple calls were questionable but most were "deserved."

Penalties backed Ione into their own territorial corner. The pass-oriented team had to be conservative and not pass in their own territory. And Touchet stunted six and seven man attacks on the lone runners.

"Defensively, we didn't do that bad," Myers said. "We spent the whole day on defense."

Touchet couldn't score until there was about a minute left in the half.

As Myers put it, Touchet pounded away with short yardage, averaging about three yards a carry. The longest play for the Touchet offense was 13 yards. It went for a touchdown.

Touchet's size overpowered the young and small Cards. "They pounded till we couldn't hold 'em back," Myers said. "We're going to run into that

all season."

Touchet scored eight points in the second period on a one-yard plunge. They followed it with 14 point quarters in the second half on runs of two, 13, four and one yards.

Touchet held the ball for the entire third period, using 25 rushing plays.

Ione takes on Spray this week, a team Myers said is "more in our category." Myers said, "Spray would not physically manhandle the Cardinals."

That game is slated for 2 p.m. Friday.

Riverside Volleyball

Diane Holland and Vicki Edmundson each sparked Heppner's volleyball squad with nine points each on serves as the Fillies dumped Riverside Tuesday, 15-8 and 17-15. Holland was named Player of the Week by Rebekah Randall, HHS head coach.

The Filly JVs brought home a win in two straight games, winning 15-4 and 15-10. Kristi Edmundson scored 12 points and Marie Yocum added seven.

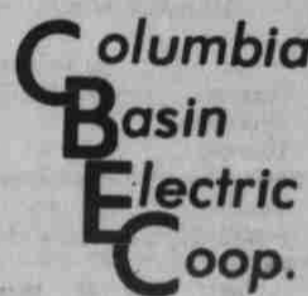
In freshmen action, HHS frosh ripped Riverside, 15-8 and 15-5. Janette Piper scored 15 and Jana Steagall had 12.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



Chris Rausch

Rausch, a big lanky tackle worked both sides for Heppner on offense and defense. Rausch had 10 points on defense with two unassisted tackles and six assists.



Starr got the nod from Myers, for his defensive efforts. He also worked in the offensive backfield. Myers said Starr, a husky freshman, was in on 'probably 18 tackles.'



Terry Starr

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