

Mustang stats impressive

Heppner's 5-0 Mustangs will saunter onto the Mustang turf Friday, destined to either remain undefeated or drop to second place.

Heppner's team statistics would make any team proud. Let's look at the Mustangs through the eyes of statisticians.

Leading the Mustang defensive attack with 81 points is Carl Christman. Despite two twisted ankles, the senior safety came up with 12 points Thursday in Athena. He has had 22 unassisted tackles this season, 25 assists, and three intercepted passes (returned for 86 yards).

John Schiller has 65 points from his defensive end task force. He has come up with 10 unassisted tackles and 33 assists. Schiller has recovered two fumbles and intercepted one pass and returned it five yards.

Close behind is Marty Smith. He has seven unassisted tackles and 43 assists. Smith has blocked one pass and recovered one fumble.

Down the line, Mark Parker has scored the Mustangs' only defensive TD. He scampered 26 yards with an interception against Oregon Trail. Parker, with 50 points, has had 28 assists.

Tim Daly has 42 points, followed by Brian Marlin with 41, Jim Kenny with 34 (getting 24 last Thursday), Chris Rauch has 31, Tom Skow 20, Bruce Young 20, Kenny Grieb 17, Jim Wishart 17, Christ Wright 15, Jeff Cutsforth 15, Bob Smith 13, and Jack Yocom has 10.

The Mustang offensive stats are just as impressive.

Steve McLaughlin paces the Heppner unit with a 4.8 yard average, piling up 325 yards on 68 carries. Skow has a 3.1 average, gaining 116 yards on 37 carries. Wayne Seitz has 67 yards and a 3.0 average, followed by Marlin at 2.5, Young at 1.3 and a handful of others with less than a yard average.

The team stats figure a 3.0 yard average per carry. Heppner has gained 574 yards on the ground in 190 carries and has come up with 12 touchdowns.

In the air, Young and Dave Allstott, recently injured QB, have combined for a 46 per cent completion rate, hitting on 26 of 56 tosses. Heppner has picked up 466 yards for two TDs and five interceptions.

Christman leads a pack of seven receivers. His 27.5 yard per catch average remains at the top of the conference. He has had 10 catches for 275 yards and two touchdowns.

Dale Holland has two grabs for 52 yards and a 26 yard average. After that, Jeff Cutsforth's 16 yard average is followed by Seitz at 10.5, Marlin at 9, Skow, and Jerry Cutsforth at 8.

The top scoring threat remains in McLaughlin. He has 34 points to his credit, scoring five times on runs and booting four of eight extra points. Skow, Allstott and Christman have scored 18 points each, Christman has 14 points, Parker and Marlin have six points each, Bob Smith has booted three of three extra points and Holland was on the receiving end of a two point conversion pass for two points.

In specialty fields, Marlin is the leading punter with a 34 yard average on just one punt. Parker has booted 20 punts for a 27.9 average. In kickoffs, Ron Ward has a 40 yard average in one boot. Smith has

kicked off 18 times for 615 yards and a 34.2 average.

Kickoff return stats show Christman leading with a 17.7 average on three returns. Dennis Peck has a 17 yard average, followed by Skow at 16, Marlin at 13.5 and Young at 8.5 yards per return.

Christman is the major punt

returner and has a 9.5 yard average on two returns.

Team stats are what the Mustangs can boast on. They have outscored their opponents, 101-40. By quarter, Heppner has taken a 34-0 advantage in the first period, even at 14 in the second, ahead 34-14 in the third, and again

creeping ahead, 19-12 in the final.

The Mustangs have a 20.1 average per game and their opponents have been held to less than two touchdowns at 8 points.

Heppner has been slapped with 265 yards in penalties.


Senior Comments

DOUG ANSOTEGUI

"This is my first year of Heppner football and I'm very impressed with the way this team has improved. I think we will win the homecoming game and all to come if we keep level heads."


KINDALL THOMAS

"This season of football is my first and last for Heppner High School. I like football and guys I play it with. Heppner High has been pretty good to me. I'm proud to be a Mustang."




Scott Groshens
So.
160 lbs.

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Fr.
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Jr.
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Dale Holland
Fr.
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