

Ione Jr. High gridders, front row from left: Duane Fetsch, mgr.; Brett Sherer, Tim Patton, Donnie Taylor, Errol Connor, Denny Starr, Jeff Hams, Craig Rhea, Treve Peterson. Back row: Gregg Rietmann, Paul Snow, Richard Ladd, Marsh Patton, Leslie Thompson, Shawn LaRue, Mike Leavitt, Scott Martin, Jerry Martin, coach. (G-T Photo)

Lone gridders unbeaten

Ione's unbeaten gridders finished up a fine season this year with a 6-0 record, including a pair of shutout victories.

The gridders, coached by Jerry Martin, have compiled a 15-3-1 record over the last two years. They haven't lost a

game in two seasons. Down the line, Ione has pummelled its competition. They have outscored their foes, 181-40. That's an average win of 30-7. Pretty impressive.

The seventh and eighth graders busted Arlington in their opener, 28-0. After that,

they clobbered Heppner, 32-12 and Oregon Trail, 21-6. Their closest contest came against Riverside, but they pulled that one out, 18-14.

It was smooth sailing from there, rocketing Wasco County 32-0 and blitzing a hapless Condon unit in their finale, 60-8.

Future Mustangs listed

Third through sixth graders do battle each Saturday. Teams and rosters follow.

LAKERS
Coach—Mr. Herzog
Greg Connor
Dusty Thomason
Mike Currin
Pat Struthers
Mike Casler
Lisa Wilson
Mardel James
Christy Anderson
Steve Currin

BLAZERS
Coach—Mr. Ackley
Marty Britt
Jon Sumner
Craig Miles
Justin Lowe
Steve Curtis

Kenneth Gochbauer
Marti Baker
Rita Lovgren

SONICS
Coach—Mr. Borgen
Billy Smith
Jay Hayes
Archie Lucas
Steve Plocharsky
Ryan VanCleave
Pat Schwarz
Denise Kennedy
Judi Ward

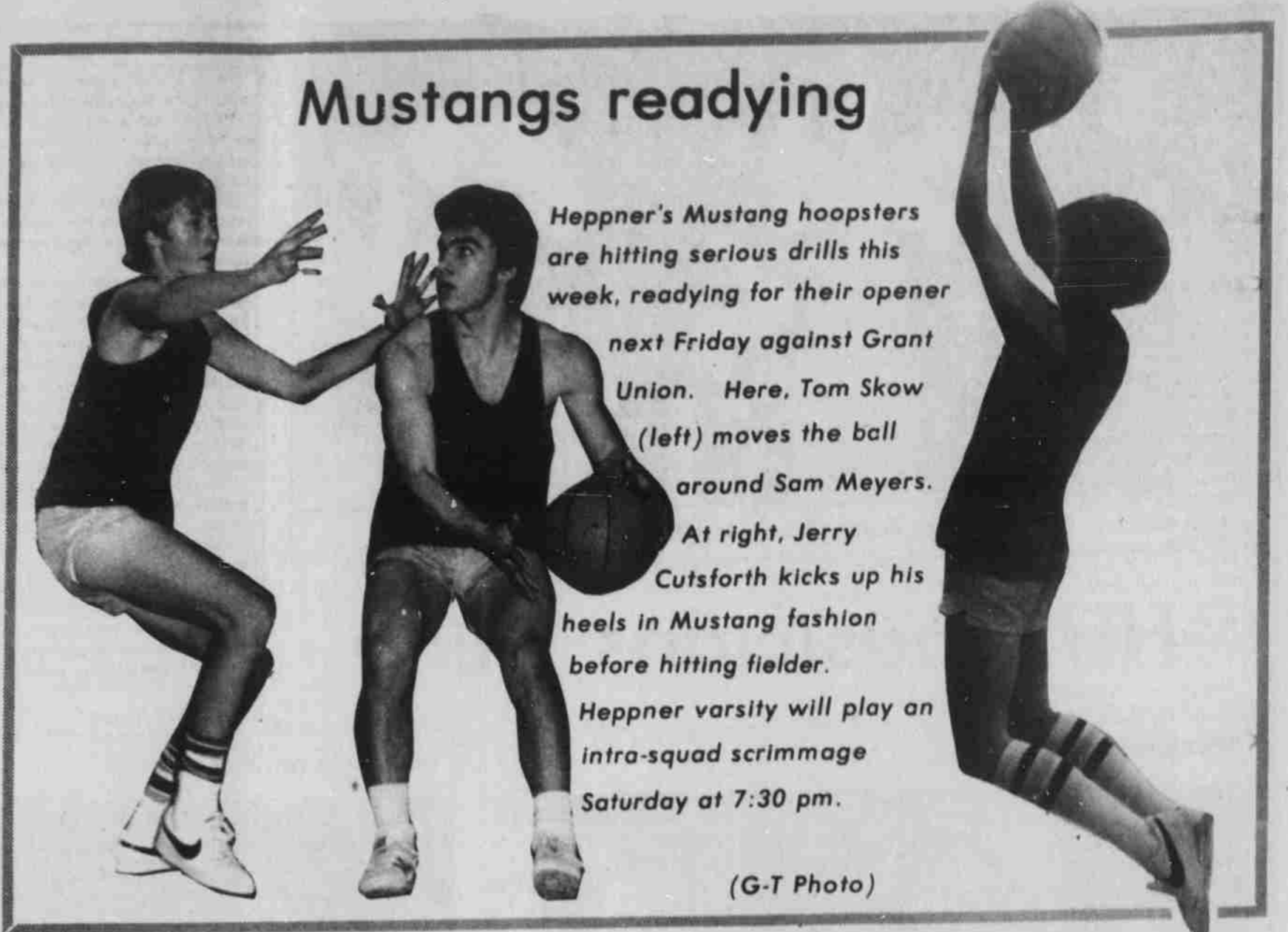
SUNS
Coach—Mr. Lutsch
Michael Johnson
Mike Brosnan
Danny Fortenberry
Sid Kennedy
Greg Conklin
Eric Thompson
Tara Mahoney
Carla Miles

CAVALIERS
Coach—Mr. Herzog
Tony Hazlewood
Trisha Mahoney
Scott Conklin
Jeff Ball
Gary Belcher
Katrina Anderson
Carl Knopp
Paula Plocharsky
Marion McMillan
Todd Lindsay
Shelly Biddle

CELTICS
Coach—Mr. Ackley
Cam George
Tom James
Wendy Miller
David Green
Dwayne Dollarhide
Jim Cason
Penny Connor
Tim Lear
Marty Brannon
Anissa Anderson
Greg Anderson

JAZZ
Coach—Mr. Lutsch
Ellen Arbogast
Ronnie Doherty
Kenneth Graves
Jodi Padberg
Travis Hyatt
Rod Taylor
Nathan Lowe
Kathleen Clark
Kenneth Curtis
Todd Gorham

KNICKS
Coach—Mr. Borgen
Renee Struthers
Steve Miller
Robert Borst
Kelli Bergstrom
Dennis Warren
Michael Bergstrom
Charles Knopp
Kimberle Wright
Ron Klaus
Loran Hayes
Stan Sporseen



Mustangs readying

Heppner's Mustang hoopsters are hitting serious drills this week, readying for their opener

next Friday against Grant

Union. Here, Tom Skow

(left) moves the ball

around Sam Meyers.

At right, Jerry

Cutsforth kicks up his

heels in Mustang fashion

before hitting fielder.

Heppner varsity will play an

intra-squad scrimmage

Saturday at 7:30 pm.

(G-T Photo)

Fillies look for title

Pass. Pass. Dribble. Pass. Turn around jump shot. Rip city.

The Heppner Fillies, a much improved basketball unit, despite a second place showing last season, figure on winning the district title this winter.

With a good nucleus of five seniors, joined by four juniors and three sophomores, the Fillies are hoping to blast their competition in the Columbia Basin Conference eastern division.

The girls, coached by Rebecca Randall, will battle with Oregon Trail, Umatilla, Weston-McEwen, and Pilot Rock in the east division. In the west, Sherman County is the favorite against Riverside, Wasco County and Condon.

Randall told the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday that the team had a "lot of potential. We're tall and quick," she said, "and can shoot. We could be district champs real easy."

Optimistically, Randall does look at a roster filled with good average height, but nobody with exceptional size.

Wendy Meyers, a basketball enthusiast, is the tallest girl in the squad. She is a 5-7 sophomore. According to Randall, it will be hard to keep her out of the starting line-up.

Five girls measure at 5-6, including two of the five seniors. Darla Cooper, most valuable player in volleyball, and Deb Holland, both stand 5-6. Other seniors include Vicki Edmundson, a sharp shooter at 5-4; Guy Kenny, a good outside shot at 5-5; and Teresa Peck, a hustling learner at 5-4.

Janice Healy represents the junior height at 5-6, followed by Diane Holland and Lori Rhea at 5-5 and Shelley Thompson

at 5-3.

Myers leads a tall sophomore unit. Along with her, Jackie Mollahan is 5-5 and Maureen Healy, 5-6.

Randall is a staunch believer in aggressiveness. She said that any "loose ball, we're gonna get."

She listed, after one week of practice, Meyers, Kenny and Mollahan as three of the best shots.

"We're going to surprise a few this year," Randall said, noting that the Fillies could go with a man-to-man defense more than last year.

"We're quicker," Randall said, "and quickness is going to do it."

The Fillies open their season with a clash at Boardman against Riverside on Dec. 2.

There will also be a junior varsity roster since 30 girls turned out for the hardwood court.

Riverside opener Dec. 2

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SPORTS

Think about it

It's something to think about.

Two of the teams that Heppner's gridders and volleyballers fell to this season have represented this conference pretty well.

First, Oregon Trail's netters finished second in the state volleyball tournament, falling to Dayville, a team that also dumped the Fillies.

And this week, unbeaten Umatilla faces Regis in Salem for the state A football title.

Not a bad representation. And certainly, there's nothing to feel bad about when talk of losing to these two teams comes up.



Wendy Meyers, the tallest Filly, goes up with a shot during practice this week. (G-T Photo)

Kegler's Korner

Kinzua Corporation moved into the league lead in Thursday night ladies' action at Fiesta Bowl in Heppner. Kinzua overcame a long reigning Murray Drugs for the lead.

Kinzua, alone with a 25-15 mark, is just one game up on Murray Drugs, in second alone at 24-16. The race stays tight with three teams within five games of the leader.

Cal's Cafe had the high series with a 2,546 and high game of 893. June Bellenbrock had the high game of 203 and the high series at 475. Marie Ball picked up the 5-7 split.

Standings	
Kinzua Corporation	25-15
Murray Drugs	24-16
Cal's Cafe and Lounge	23-17
Gateway Toyota	22-18
Ray Boyce Insurance	20-20
Columbia Basin Electric	8-32

The Dregs stayed in first this week in Koffee Kup Keglers' action at Fiesta Bowl in Heppner.

The Dregs, alone at 25-15, hold a two game lead over the Gutter Dusters at 23-17.

Four teams, within four games of each other, battle for third.

Betty Brown had the high game this week with a 183, while Iris Campbell rolled the high series at 482. The Dregs' high game was 582 and the series was 1,566.

Standings	
The Dregs	25-15
Gutter Dusters	23-17
Weary Wives	20-20
Three L's	19-21
Happy Hookers	17-23
Three Holers	16-24

Lone behind schedule

Ione's Cardinal hoopsters still are in one big cluster, but head coach Del LaRue says he'll have a varsity picked in time for the opener next Friday against Spray.

La Rue said the Cards have been working on fundamentals and defensive tasks this week and will also start on their offense this week.

La Rue said he has the list for varsity narrowed down to 10 or 11 in his mind, but added that Ione "won't be ready" for Spray.

The Cards face Spray Friday and Mt. Vernon Saturday. They have never played the two teams before.

"It's going awfully slow," La Rue said. "We have a lot of work to do."

The Card starting unit list will be printed in next week's Gazette-Times.



Howard Huddleston, the tallest member of the HHS hoop squad, towers over Jerry Cutsforth. JV's play against Grant Union at 6 p.m. next Friday. (G-T Photo)