

Mustangs gain split at White Salmon Tourney

First loss to Stevenson 75-41

Heppner found the going tougher and the players taller when they crossed the border for holiday tournament basketball action at the White Salmon Tournament last week. The Mustangs were given a rude introduction to Washington basketball as Stevenson slapped the Mustangs with their first loss of the season, 75-41.

The Mustangs found themselves up against an impressive lineup featuring 6'7" Steve Hamilton and three of his team mates who all stood in the 6'4" range. And not only were they tall, but they also knew what to do with the basketball—Stevenson shot a hot 48 per cent from the floor and 70 per cent from the line.

Despite their height disadvantage, Heppner stayed close to the eventual tournament champs through the first quarter and took a brief lead early in the second period. But from there, the taller team took control of the game,

leading by 10 at intermission and holding a 19 point edge after three periods.

Bryan Marlin led the Mustangs with 15 points and Dennis Peck added eight. As a team, Heppner managed only a 27 per cent shooting performance from the floor. The locals fared better under the boards grabbing 27 rebounds to 36 for Stevenson. Jerry Cutsforth was Heppner's top rebounder with seven while

Marlin was second with four.

"We played a good first quarter and held our own pretty well," said Mustang coach Tom Day. "But then we let their height intimidate us." Day credited Dale Holland with a good defensive performance in holding Hamilton, last year's tourney MVP, to 14 points and four rebounds. Hamilton had been scoring at a 25 point clip coming into the game.

'Stangs roll over

Lyle by 60-48

A strong defensive effort in the final period helped Heppner break open a close game and post a 60-48 win over Lyle in second day action of the White Salmon Tournament last week.

The Mustangs led throughout most of the game, holding

a four point advantage after the opening period, a two point lead at halftime and a four point cushion after three quarters. The win came on the heels of a 75-41 defeat at the hands of Stevenson and boos-

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G T SPORTS

First conference tilt pits Mustangs, Rockets

This preview of the remaining teams in the CBC East concludes the G-T's look at upcoming conference opponents for the Mustangs.

PILOT ROCK

Don't pay much attention to Pilot Rock's slow start this basketball season. Come January, when Columbia Basin Conference play begins, the Rockets, the defending East champions, will have to be reckoned with.

Five lettermen are back from last year's 9-3, 13-9, club, with the biggest letterman being 6-5 junior center Jeff Lavender. A first team all-conference pick last year, Lavender led the CBC in scoring (21.7); was fourth in rebounding (11.7); first in field goal shooting (59 per cent) and second in free throw shooting (83 per cent). "He's a well rounded basketball player," understated Drake Davis, the Rockets' coach. One of the many things Lavender does well on the basketball court is handle the ball, Davis pointed out. On some occasions, when they are facing a press, the Rockets rely on Lavender to bring the ball up the floor. At 6-5, he's the CBC's biggest guard.

Other lettermen back include: Richard Christensen, a 6-1 senior forward; Dave Connor, a 5-9 senior guard; Will Barber, a 5-8 junior guard, and Tim Rasmussen, a 5-11 guard.

Wes Harrison, a 6-1 junior forward; Mike Carnes, a 6-1 senior forward; Jim Reger, a 5-10 senior guard; Rusty Britt, a 5-10 senior guard, and Jim Post, a 6-1 sophomore center-forward, are also on the Pilot Rock roster this season.

The Rockets, who ran a control type game last season, will "run more than we have in the past" this season, said Davis. Defensively, Pilot Rock will use both a man-to-man and zone. Last year the Rockets were the top defensive club in the CBC, allowing only 47 points per outing.

WESTON-McEWEN

Any team with nine lettermen back—and seven of them seniors—has to be tough. And in a word, the Tiger-Scots of Weston-McEwen will be exactly that—tough—when CBC play kicks off the first weekend in January.

First year coach Rick Jagers has a gold mine of experience on his club. Last year the Tiger-Scots were 8-4, 16-6.

His first year at Weston-McEwen should be fun if Mike Lieuallen, a 5-9 senior guard; Leland Jones, a 5-8 senior guard; Doug Warner, a 6-1 senior guard; Cary Rahn, a 6-2 senior post; Kim Sams, a 5-8 senior guard; Jerry Baker, a 6-2 senior post; Jim Barnett, a 5-11 senior guard; Brandt Bannister, a 5-9 junior guard, and Frank Webb, a 6-0 junior post, have anything to say about it.

They are all lettermen. Of the lot, Warner is the best. He averaged 16.7 points per CBC game last year.

Other players on the Tiger-Scots roster include: Jerry Miguez, a 6-3 junior post; Bill Meek, a 5-9 junior guard, and Ken Devereaux, a 6-0 sophomore guard.

Weston-McEwen will field a small team this year and according to Jagers the Tiger-Scots hope to do a lot of running on offense. They will also be a pass-oriented team. Defensively, Weston-McEwen will utilize a man-to-man, half court trap and press.

Even though they are small, the Tiger-Scots, so far this season, are outrebounding their opponents.

In the West, Jagers sees Sherman County as the team to beat. In the East, you got to beat Lavender and Pilot Rock, he said. "It's Lavender who you've got to beat," Jagers commented. "You get him on the bench and they're in big, big trouble."

Conference play gears up

Both Heppner and Ione will begin conference play this weekend with opening games scheduled for their respective home courts.

Ione start Big Sky Conference play against Ukiah on Friday with girls varsity action beginning at 4 p.m. Heppner will host Pilot Rock in Columbia Basin Conference opening games. The Fillies will take the court at 6 p.m. Friday.

City league resumes

City league play will resume this Sunday after a holiday break with the following games scheduled:

- 6 p.m. Greenup-Eckman
- 7 p.m. Galbraith-Watkins
- 8 p.m. Summers-Van Marter

First half bowling stats.....

With Heppner bowling leagues taking a mid-season break, team standings and individual performances for six of the leagues are listed below.

League: Major
Team Standings

Wright's Country Store	35 1/2	24 1/2
L.O.O.F.	34 1/2	25 1/2
O.A.A.	34 1/2	25 1/2
B.P.O.E.	31	29
Columbia Basin	25 1/2	34 1/2
Feds	19	41

1st High Team, 3 games	Wright's 2808
1st High Team, 1 game	O.A.A. 1015
1st High Ind., 3 games	Merlin Cantin 590
1st High Ind., 1 game	Ron Jones

Average Leaders (handicap included)

Feds: John Edmundson, 146
O.A.A.: Sam Heath, 170
Wright's: Mike Rothwell, 169
B.P.O.E.: J.D. Ledbetter, 165
Columbia Basin: Ted Toll 159
L.O.O.F.: Wayne Ball, 165
Subs: Jim Rogers, 173

League: Thursday Night Ladies
Team Standings

Kinzua	43	17
Columbia Basin	35	25
Ray Boyce Insurance	32 1/2	27 1/2
Murray's Drugs	31	29
Cal's Cafe	31	29
Kroll's Dept. Store	30	30
Toyota	28 1/2	31 1/2
Heppner Bowl	13	47

1st High Team, 3 games	Kinzua 2694
1st High Team, 1 game	Columbia Basin 978
1st High Ind., 3 games	Fran Crook 570
1st High Ind., 1 game	Marge Eckman 215

Average Leaders (handicap included)

Columbia Basin: Sandi Hanna, 148
Millie Hanna, 148
Kroll's: Mabel Heath, 150
Kinzua: Marge Eckman, 157
Toyota: Alvina Padberg, 149
Murray's: Faye Ruhl, 155
Ray Boyce: Fran Crook, 167
Heppner Bowl: Cindy Cecil, 126
Cal's Cafe: Betty Snow, 144
Subs: Judy Rickert, 147

League: KKK
Team Standings

Weary Wives	44	20
Gutter Dusters	40 1/2	23 1/2
Three Holers	37 1/2	26 1/2
The Dregs	34 1/2	29 1/2
H.H.	31	33
Three L's	24 1/2	39 1/2
Newcomers	22	38
The Pytts	18	42

1st High Team, 3 games	The Pytts 1657
1st High Team, 1 game	Three L's 576
1st High Ind., 3 games	Iris Campbell 560
1st High Ind., 1 game	Hilda Yocum 246

Average Leaders (handicap included)

The Dregs: Maude Hughes, 138
Three L's: Linda Schultz, 140
Gutter Dusters: Billie Doherty, 150
Weary Wives: Iris Campbell, 159
H.H.: Hilda Yocum, 145
Three Holers: VoJean Forquer, 138
The Pytts: LaRue Kindie, 122
Newcomers: Alice McCabe, 128
Subs: Fran Crook, 162

League: Sparetimers
Team Standings

Morrow County Grain Growers	41	19
Gardner's Mens Wear	39	21
Central Market	32	28
Sears	29 1/2	30 1/2
Peterson's Jewelry	29 1/2	30 1/2
Coast-to-Coast	29	31
Bucknum's Tavern	21	39
Jerry's Mobil	19	41

1st High Team, 3 games	Gardner's 2783
1st High Team, 1 game	Coast-to-Coast 988
1st High Ind., 3 games	Jo Pettyjohn 585
1st High Ind., 1 game	Fran Crook 214

Average Leaders (handicap included)

Coast-to-Coast: Jackie Allstott, 150
Gardner's: Roberta Klaus, 163
Bucknam's Tavern: Charleen Isom, 121
Central Market: Mary Kennison, 150
Peterson's: Jo Harshman, 146
MCGG: Phyllis Cole, 161
Jerry's Mobil: Jan Thom, 137
Subs: Linda Schultz, 149

League: Blue Mountain
Team Standings

Bucknam's Tavern	42	22
Gar Aviation	41 1/2	22 1/2
Central Market	35 1/2	28 1/2
Heppner Bowl	31	33
Acme Bowling Co.	23	41
Morrow County Grain Growers	19	45

1st High Team, 3 games	Heppner Bowl 2633
1st High Team, 1 game	Heppner Bowl 912
1st High Ind., 3 games	Sam Heath 624
1st High Ind., 1 game	Dave Hanna 237

Average Leaders (handicap included)

Acme Bowling Co.: Duane Neiffer, 156
Heppner Bowl: Dave Hanna, 173
Central Market: John McCabe, 167
Bucknum's: Bob Hubbard 166
MCGG: Robert Ellis, 168
Gar Aviation: Elmer Heath, 171
Subs: Cliff Aldrich, 168

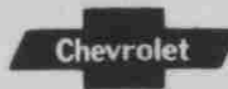
League: Dime A Dozen
Team Standings

No. 8	42	10
No. 3	35	17
No. 2	32 1/2	19 1/2
No. 4	29	23
No. 7	26	26
No. 1	25 1/2	26 1/2
No. 6	15	37
No. 5	3	49
1st High Team, 3 games	No. 8 1939 (scratch)	
1st High Team, 1 game	No. 8 690	
1st High Ind., 3 games	Betty Snow 507	
1st High Ind., a game	Billie Doherty 189	
	Wayne Ball 219	

Average Leaders (handicap included)

No. 1: John Breindenbach, 146
No. 2: Wayne Ball, 169
No. 3: Duane Van Cleave, 148
No. 4: Ron Palmateer, 143
No. 5: John Ripple, 104
Alma Vinson, 104
No. 6: Bob Greene, 155
No. 7: Jamie Sands, 156
No. 8: Mick Kindie, 164
Subs: Elmer Heath, 172

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