

Mustangs split pair of CBC tilts

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Traveling to Echo to kick off a weekend of back to back conference contests, Heppner picked up CBC win number one over Oregon Trail in a hard-fought 51-50 game.

The Mustangs had to come from behind after a cold shooting first quarter during which OT took a six point lead. The Blazers stretched the margin to eight by intermission but Heppner sprang a full court press to open the second half and began cutting down the lead.

Entering the final period, the Mustangs held a two-point edge as Jim Parker, Sam Myers and Gordon Hoffnagle came off the bench to spark the comeback. Heppner shot 50 per cent from the floor in the third period after misfiring for 17 and 31 per cent in the opening two quarters. In the critical final period, the Mustangs canned 44 per cent of their shots.

Heppner was up by one with 23 seconds remaining when Ken Grieb intercepted a pass and drove the lane. His shot was blocked but Grieb got his own rebound and put it in for a three point lead.

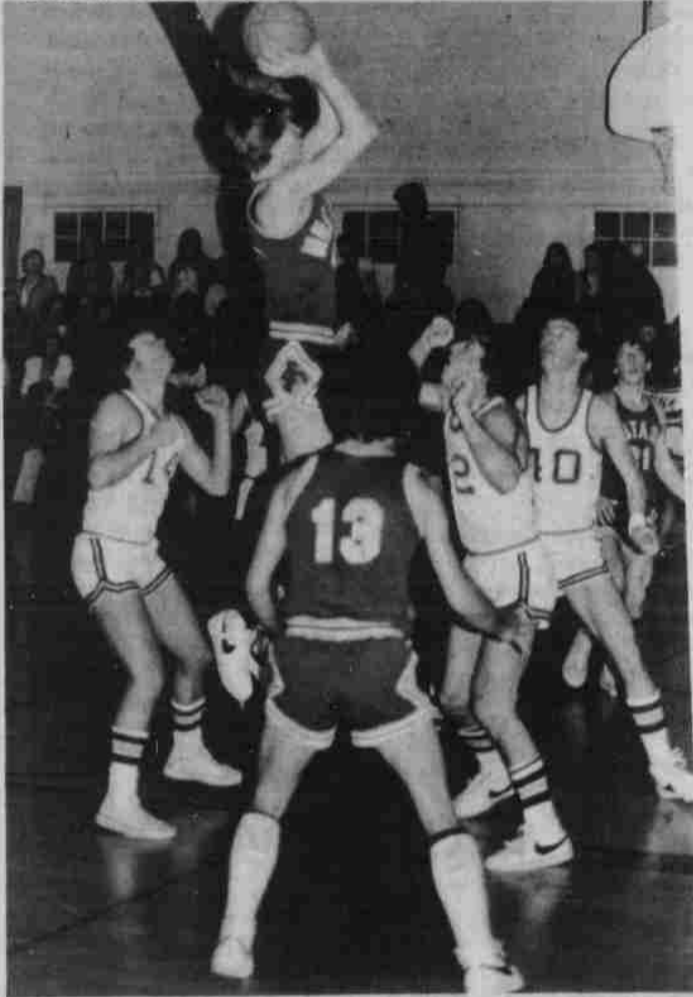
Grieb had eight points for the night while Bryan Marlin led all scorers with 16. Dennis Peck scored seven and Dale Holland added six for the Mustangs. Myers also tossed in six and Hoffnagle contributed four as the substitutes played an important role in

the win. The Mustangs were out-rebounded by the Blazers, 53-44. Holland collected a dozen boards and Jerry Cutsforth pulled down 10.

In team stats, Heppner connected on 20 of 62 shots from the floor for 32 per cent

and hit 11 of 29 free throw attempts. Heppner turned the ball over 18 times, many of those coming in the first half.

Mustang coach Tom Day said this team started off poorly and allowed OT to set the tempo of the game.



Still reeling from an all out effort the night before, Heppner never could quite turn the corner as they fell short against Weston-McEwen 71-67 Saturday at Athena.

Poor passing, too many fouls and carryover effects from their game against Oregon Trail combined to hurt the Mustangs, said coach Tom Day.

"We simply ran out of steam in the fourth quarter," Day said. "We turned the ball over too many times and we sent them to the foul line too many times."

Weston-McEwen picked up 19 points at the line on 30 attempts while Heppner hit nine of 17 free throws. Both teams got into foul trouble and had to look to their substitutes for help.

The game was close throughout as Heppner stayed within striking distance but never took the lead. The Mustangs were down by five after the first period and trailed by only a pair at the half. With their run and gun type offense clicking in the third period, the Tiger-Scots were able to increase their lead to six as Kim Sams nailed

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12 of his team high 20 points in that quarter.

Heppner's Ken Grieb led all scorers with 21 points, hitting eight of 19 shots from the floor. Dale Holland followed with 15 points to go along with 11 rebounds. For the second night in a row, Jim Parker came off the bench for a strong showing of six points and seven rebounds. Sam Myers also picked up six points and half a dozen boards. The Mustang's 44 per cent shooting night, 29 of 67, was one of their better games of the year and the 53 per cent effort from the foul line was also an improvement.

Weston-McEwen got a taste of the Heppner press in the second quarter when the Mustangs reduced the Tiger-Scot lead to two points.

"We were burned some because of the press," Day said. "But we also caused them a lot of problems."

Day credited his team with good hustling defense throughout both weekend games. The loss dropped the Mustangs to 1-2 in the CBC East, giving them sole possession of third place.

HHS junior varsity take two, drop one

13 points and Wood hit nine as Heppner shot 46 per cent for the game.

Young again played a key defensive role in the win.

The junior Mustangs ended the week with their biggest win of the year, stopping perennially strong Weston-McEwen by a 40-35 margin. Defense was the name of the game, according to coach George Koffler, who cited good team defense by the entire squad.

At the other end of the court, the Mustangs outscored Weston-McEwen 18-10 in the final period to pick up the victory. Heppner presented a balanced scoring attack with all nine players getting on the board.

Darrel Bigelow came into the game to hit two fourth quarter jumpers to give Heppner the lead and Wood hit seven of nine final period free throws after the Mustangs went into a late game delay.

Currin's 19 leads 7th grade Ponies

Mike Currin banged in 19 points to lead the Heppner Jr. High 7th grade boys past Umatilla 23-22 Thursday at Umatilla.

The Ponies came back from a seven point deficit in the second quarter to take the lead behind Currin's shooting. Matt Barnes and Duane Garret both added a pair of points

to round out the Heppner scoring.

A good team defensive effort led by Barnes and Tom Huston held Umatilla to eight points in the second half and allowed the Ponies to come from behind for the win. The Ponies now stand 3-2 on the year.

Lady Cards trip Dufur 40-35

A third quarter scoring burst by Ione gave the lady Cards some breathing room and propelled them to a 40-35 win over Dufur Friday at Dufur.

The game was tied at 21 when the first half ended but Ione took charge after the intermission as they outscored the Rangers 13-3 in the third period. The Cards then held on in the final period for their third consecutive win of the year.

The difference in the second half came when the Cards were able to cut off the Dufur fast break which had worked well in the early going. At the same time, Ione solved the Ranger press and cashed in on several easy buckets.

A total of 48 fouls were called in the game with Ione being nailed with 26 violations to 22 for the Rangers. Card coach Martha Doherty said the game was quite physical since both teams were evenly matched in both size and speed. Four Cardinals left the game with five fouls in the final period.

Dufur held the edge in rebounding by pulling 42 to

Ione's 31 boards but the Rangers turned the ball over 39 times in the game to 31 for the Cards.

Darcy Rea was the only Card in double figures, hitting 11 points to lead the Ione scoring attack. Janet McElligott added eight, Grace McElligott had six, Margaret Kincaid tossed in four and Carol

McElligott scored a pair. Susan Thompson also had two points to go along with nine rebounds. Natalie Tews came off the bench to score seven points and collect seven rebounds.

Ione begins Big Sky Conference play this weekend as they host the Arlington Honkers Friday.



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