

Mustangs take Echo but lose to Pirates in tournament

By GLENN SMITH

Last Friday, Dec. 3, the Mustang cagers started their basketball season by traveling to Boardman to play Echo in the beginning of a four-team, two-day tournament between Heppner, Lone, Riverside and Echo. The top-rated Echo Cougars just could not beat the Mustangs at the boards

and Heppner returned victorious with a win of 60 - 52. Mustang Coach Brent Eggers was very pleased with the outcome. "Echo was a pretty good team. They liked to run the ball a lot and at times the teams got out of control, but it was a good win for us statistically and mentally." The Mustangs might have scored even more points against the Cougars but they

made too many mental mistakes. "We made enough mental errors to last the season," Eggers commented, "But Echo made as many mistakes as we did and our kids really used their heads the last five minutes of the game when it really counted." Coach Eggers believes that the Mustangs played together as a team pretty well but that

they still have some problems to iron out, stating "We made a lot of fouls and our offensive execution was poor. Defensively, we played man to man and pretty much held them." Leading scorers for Heppner were Jeff Orr with 21 points, followed by Mike Currin with 16 and Marty Britt with 12. Together these three accounted for 49 of the Mustangs' 60 points.

Coach Eggers' rating system spotted a +24 to Jeff Orr and a +15 to Mike Currin. The rating system is based on positive points for points made, interceptions, assists and rebounds. Negative points come from turnovers, fouls and missed shots. He then adds them up and comes out with the rating. Eggers final comment on the game was "At times we played out of control, but I think, that, and our mental errors difficulty will be straightened out in the future games."

half gave Riverside the ball game." Mike Currin, with 16 points, was the only player who scored in double figures for the Mustangs. Currin also grabbed 16 rebounds in the game. He had a +18 rating according to the coach's system. Currin also made the All Tournament Team.

"I thought the players' mental effort to play under control was a lot better than the first game," Eggers said, "and we are planning on practicing very hard for our next game." The Mustangs will travel to Condon this Friday and Saturday, Dec. 10 and 11, to compete in another tournament.

Lone girl makes J V boys' team



Paula Anderson

An Lone high school sophomore girl has done something that no other has done before her. She joined the J.V. basketball team.

Since the school doesn't have a girls' basketball team this year, Paula Anderson decided to go out for the "boys'" team. She practiced, tried out and made it.

"Practice is all right, but I might get nervous during games," she said. Although this is her first year of high school ball, she played in sixth, seventh and eighth grades.

J.V. Coach David Sime said

no other girl at the school has ever tried out for an otherwise boys' team, but he anticipates no problems. He said Anderson will get the same playing time as other players.

Anderson said it will be interesting to see what happens when the Lone J.V. team meets the Heppner freshman team on December 14, as her brother, Jerry, plays on the opposing team.

When asked how she felt about playing on the team, she said she is treated like any other team member, "I think it's great," she added.

Jr. High girls lose 1st game of season

By ASHLEY CONKLIN

Under new head coach Barbara Stefani, the Lone Junior High girls' basketball team lost their first game of the season to the Stanfield Tigers by a score of 20 to 16.

The first quarter was a defensive battle as Stanfield took a 6 - 2 lead. The next period provided even less scoring as Stanfield chalked up two points to the Cardinals one, taking an 8 - 3 lead at halftime.

The two teams came out in the second half and added more offense. Stanfield doubled lone's output of points in the third stanza to build a 17 - 7 lead.

The Cardinals made a comeback attempt in the fourth quarter, but it fell short as Stanfield won 20 to 16.

Lone's Deena Hams was the game's leading scorer with 13 points. Also scoring for the Cards were Patty McElligott with two, and Sandi Wright had one point.

Seeing action in the game for the Cards but not scoring were Mary Ann Alvarado, Kris Anderson, J.J. Osmirn, Jill Conklin, Michelle Beck and Michelle Papineau.

Lone's next game will be at home on December 9 at 1:30 p.m. against the Wheeler County Falcons.

Overcome in their bout with the Echo Cougars cropped up once more to take the victory from the Mustangs with a score of Heppner, 44 - Riverside, 58.

Brent Eggers, commented "We played a super game the first 10 minutes, but our fouls kept them in the game because they kept making the shots. They just pulled away from us."

The Mustangs had 32 fouls with Riverside making 26 of the 44 free-throws. The fouls turned out to be the key statistic of the game. Four Heppner players fouled out and two players had four fouls apiece.

"Our offensive execution pretty much stalled," Eggers said. "One of Riverside's players that they were keying on was Terry Secl, and although we held him to eight points in the first half, in the second half we did a poor job."

Secl had 29 points for the game making 13 for 16 at the free throw line.

Another problem that plagued the Mustangs was their shooting, making only 25 percent from the floor. Most of Riverside's misses were in the second half when it was already out of reach for the Mustangs.

"The fouls were the key statistic," Eggers stated, "It cost us the game. That and our offensive stall in the second

Heppner freshman team loses first game to Vikings

By GLENN SMITH

On Thursday, Dec. 2, the Mustang's freshman basketball team stayed home to battle out their first game against the Umatilla Vikings. Although they made a strong show, they lost 35 - 55.

Duane Neiffer, coach for the freshmen, commented "We played really well together so far as a team effort is concerned, but our defense wasn't too good and we had a bit of foul trouble."

Umatilla was successful in running a fast break on the Mustangs, aiding the Vikings in getting the lead for their eventual win.

Leading rebounders for the

Mustangs were Keith Kennison with 12 and Alex Lindsay with eight. The leading scorers for the game were Alex and Todd Lindsay, both with 10.

"The boys are here to get experience for later playing while having fun. We work on developing their skills so that they can be the potentially best basketball players that they can be. I was really pleased with the outcome of the game and the attitude of the boys throughout it. I think it's going to be a really good year for the team," the coach said.

The team's next game was to be against the Riverside Pirates on Tuesday, Dec. 7.

Bowling News

Sparetimers
November 30

	Won - Lost
Coast to Coast	34 - 18
Peterson's	28 1/2 - 23 1/2
M.C.G.G.	27 - 25
Gardner's	27 - 25
Les Schwab	26 - 26
Sears	22 1/2 - 29 1/2
Central Market	22 - 30
V & G Tavern	21 - 31
High game: Chris Limanen - 202	
High series: Chris Limanen - 534	

Thursday Night Ladies

	Won - Lost
B.P.O.E. No. 358	33 - 15
Cole's	31 - 17
M & R	27 1/2 - 20 1/2
B & C Repair	25 - 23
Bucknum's	22 1/2 - 25 1/2
Kinzua	18 - 30
Columbia Basin	18 - 30
Ray Boyce Ins.	17 - 31
Splits converted: June Belenbrock 5-6-10; Harriet Evans 4-10; Della Heideman 5-7; and Janie Pratt 6-7-10.	
High game: Yvonne Lovgren - 215	
High series: Yvonne Lovgren - 518	

Dime A Dozen

	Won - Lost
No. Seven	33 - 15
No. Two	29 - 19
No. Three	29 - 19
No. Five	27 - 21
No. One	22 - 26
No. Six	21 - 27
No. Four	16 - 32
No. Eight	15 - 33
Splits: LaRae Kindle 3-6-8; Sam Heath 5-10; Terri Sorweide 3-10; and Carol Taylor 5-7; and Gene Doherty 6-7-10.	
High game: Gene Doherty - 212 and Alvina Padberg - 203	
High series: Gene Doherty - 552 and Alvina Padberg - 541	
High team series: No. Four - 772	
High team series: No. Six - 2234	

Koffee Kup Keglers

	Won - Lost
No Pin Hitters	31 1/2 - 20 1/2
Hi Hos	28 1/2 - 23 1/2
The Pyits	28 1/2 - 23 1/2
M.C.G.G. No. 2	28 - 24
Gutter Dusters	27 - 25
Three Holers	25 - 27
The Dregs	22 1/2 - 29 1/2
Newcomers	17 - 35
High game: Iris Campbell - 212	
High series: Iris Campbell - 536	
Splits: Neoma Bailey 3-10; Marget Dubuque 5-8-10; Glena Rollis 3-7-10; Eva Griffith 3-10; and Maude Hughes 3-4-6-7.	

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