

Ione moves to 2-1 with 40-8 win over Echo



Ione ball carrier is smothered by Echo defense

By ASHLEY CONKLIN
The Ione Cardinals moved to 2-1 in the Big Sky Conference and 3-2 overall with an impressive 40 to 8 win over the Echo Cougars on Thursday, October 11. Ione is tied for second with Condon in the Big Sky Conference.

In the first period the Cardinals turned two Cougar turnovers into a 16-0 lead. Mark Meyers threw five yards to Randy McCabe, and then ran in the extra points. Meyers then dashed ten yards and tossed the extra points to McCabe.

Neither team scored during the second stanza. Mike Rietmann caught a 15-yard strike from Meyers. With McCabe's catch of Meyers' extra points throw, Ione went up 24-0.

Again it was McCabe catching Meyers' pass for a touchdown. This time it was for 29 yards, and following Rietmann's extra points from Meyers, Ione was up by 32.

Fullback Rod Taylor concluded the Cardinals' scoring with a one-yard dive. Meyers scored the extra points.

Echo's lone score came when Devin Correa broke loose for a 38-yard run. Correa also ran in the extra points. The final tally was lone 40, Echo 8.

Meyers led the Cardinal rushing attack with 80 yards on 13 rushes. He also completed 7 of 12 passes for 81 yards. Jeff Ball ran 12 times, gaining 60 yards. McCabe gathered four passes for 40 yards, and Rietmann caught three for 41 yards.

Linebackers Meyers and Ball collected 11 and 10 tackles respectively. The Cardinals gained 287 yards of total offense, with 206 on the ground, and 81 in the air. The Cougars rushed for 40 yards, and passed for 50 yards, gaining a total of 143 yards.

Correa ran for 54 yards on 11

tries. Joe Saylor completed six of eight passes for 46 yards.

"We played good defense, and executed well offensively, which was something we didn't do last week," said coach Ron Mack.

Mack also complimented the offensive line play of center Ken Snider and guard Donnie Doherty.

Ione will play at Arlington on Friday October 26, at 1:30 p.m. The Honkers are 3-0 in the Big Sky Conference play, and in first place in the conference. The Cards still have a shot at the playoffs, but must beat Arlington.

Statistics

	Ione	Echo
First Downs	17	7
Rushes-Yards	46-206	26-93
Passing	7-12-81-1	7-10-50-0
Total Yards	287	143
Return Yards	16	54
Punts-Average	3-38.3	3-30
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	3-3
Penalties-Yards	4-25	5-35
Rushing-Ione: Meyers 13-80, J. Ball 12-60, Rea 10-30, Taylor 6-16, Snider 1-13, Douglas 3-6, Conklin 1-1. Echo: Correa 11-54, Widman 5-30, P. Ramos 2-17, J. Ramos 1-8, McCarthy 3-4, Saylor 4-(20).		
Passing-Ione: Meyers 7-12-81-1; Echo: Saylor 6-8-46-0, P. Ramos 1-1-4-0, Correa 0-1-0-0.		
Receiving-Ione: McCabe 4-40, Rietmann 3-41; Echo: J. Ramos 3-20, Widman 2-19, Neely 2-11.		

Redsides march off with a win against Heppner

By TRAVIS HYATT

The Wasco County Redsides marched into Heppner last Thursday night looking for their first league win. The Heppner Mustangs were playing their last home game of the season and were looking for their first win. Unfortunately for the sixth time this year the Mustangs fell to defeat, losing 12-6 in overtime to the Redsides.

"This team has to play hard for a full four quarters, in order to be successful. We obviously weren't ready to play in the first half against Wasco," said Coach Craig Kitching.

And indeed the Mustangs didn't look ready to play in the first half, the only scoring was by Wasco County on a busted play that resulted in a 35 yard touchdown pass, the extra point was blocked.

"We looked somewhat better in the second half but we need to become more consistent on both sides of the football. We're looking for a good effort this week at Lyle," said Kitching.

The Mustangs came out roaring in the second half with some good, consistent running from Cam George and Scott Buschke, who gained 66 yards on the ground the highest by a Mustang this year. George capped off the drive with a one yard touchdown run to tie it up at 6-6. The rest of the second half saw scoring chances by both teams, the Mustangs recovered two fumbles, but a blocked field



photo by Clark Wallis

Mustang quarterback Ron Doherty looks for running room against Wasco Co.

goal with ten seconds by Steve Currin sent the game into overtime.

Wasco County had first possession and quickly scored on a 10 yard touchdown pass. The Mustangs had four tries to tie it up at the 10 yard line, but Ron Doherty threw an interception to end the game.

"If we don't block people we don't win ball games, it's that simple. We put together several good drives against Wasco and we look for more of the same this week," says Kitching. Doherty was sacked five times against the

Redsides. The Mustangs travel to Lyle next Friday, game time 7:30 p.m.

Wasco rushing: Encabo 8-(4), Ashley 2-5, D. Tolento 6-21, Johnson 6-(2), Nelson 2-5. Heppner: Buschke 18-66, George 19-43, Doherty 7-(20), Currin 1-10, McConnell 1-(11). Totals: Wasco 28 yards, Heppner 88 yards.

Wasco passing: Encabo, 10-20 120 yds, 2 int., Doherty 4-14, 36 yds., 2 int. Totals: Wasco 148 yards, Heppner 136 yards.

The Sports by Mike Oths Fifth Quarter

THE CRYSTAL (?) BALL

Welcome back after a week's absence. Although the picks didn't make it into the paper, they were duly selected and posted. As usual, the boys did pretty well, except for Mike, who has earned his reputation as dunce of this class. Everyone was 10-14 except Mike, who was 8-14. There was no guest selector last week, and Vi Wilgers has made us promise not to print her performance from two weeks ago. One other thing: why is it that Morrow County was left out of the East Oregonian's "panel of area experts" in picking games? I guess a challenge is in order from the venerable Gazette-Times sports department. (below)

SEASON STANDINGS:

Dave	52-18	743
Craig	48-22	686
Brent	47-23	671
Dale	45-25	643
Mike	40-30	571

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CHICAGO # TAMPA BAY	CHI	CHI	TBay	TBay	CHI	CHI
CLEVELAND # CINCINNATI	CIN	CIN	CIN	CIN	CIN	CIN
DENVER # BUFFALO	DEN	DEN	DEN	DEN	DEN	DEN
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WASHINGTON # ST. LOUIS	WAS	WAS	STL	WAS	WAS	WAS
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This week's guest expert is the sixth-grade boys P.E. Class at the Heppner Grade School. (Rumor has it that they've been feeding Craig his answers every week, anyway.)

Heppner JV loses to Stanfield

By DANA REID

The Junior Varsity volleyball team traveled to Stanfield Tuesday, October 9 to play the Tigers.

The game was started with Stanfield serving the ball. It was a good serve and gave them a point. Heppner was really serving well.

The Tigers called a time out with Heppner in the lead at 4-1. The Fillies were really hustling and went ahead of the Tigers by 7 points. Another time out was called by Stanfield with the score at 10-2. Heppner was really playing an excellent game. They were giving the setter good passes for a spike. Stanfield started serving excellent and because of there serves they brought the score

up to 10-6. Heppner called a time out. After Stanfield's good server Heppner slowed down a bit and weren't communicating quite as much. Heppner called another time out when Stanfield went ahead 10-12. After the time out the Tigers went in and scored the last 3 points to win the game. The final score was 10-15.

Heppner started the second game with a good serve but Stanfield returned the ball and Heppner wasn't ready for it. Stanfield then served and received the first point of the second game. Heppner was really hustling. There was some good volleys between the two teams.

The Tigers were serving very well and Heppner started to have trouble receiving the ball. There was some very good volleys between the two teams. Heppner called a time out with Stanfield ahead 2-7. Stanfield pulled ahead even farther but Heppner started making a come back. Stanfield called a time out. Heppner then served very well Heppner then pulled ahead 15-14. The ball then went to Stanfield and the game was tied up at 15. Heppner called a time out when Stanfield went ahead 16-15. The serve was the Tigers and they won the game. The final score was 15-17.

"The girls did not play well in the first game. Their reaction time was to slow and they were unable to pass the ball to the setter. The second game was much better, but they were still reacting to slow. The second game was a continued battle with their emotions. One minute they would be fired up and the next they were down. I feel that the girls lost due to the lack of a positive mental attitude," commented Coach Karen Howe.

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