

Mustangs gunned down by Vikings



photo by Clark Wallis

Tod Lindsay(22) goes for rebound against Vikings.

By TRAVIS HYATT

The Heppner Mustangs nearly broke their six-game losing streak Friday night but their comeback fell short; they went down to defeat, 61-57, at the hands of the Umatilla Vikings.

The run and gun Vikings did just what they love to do-run. And they did it well, opening up a 16-11 lead in the opening quarter. The Vikings exploded for 23 points in the second quarter and were up by fourteen points at halftime.

"We just pretty much stood around on defense. We were pretty lazy," said Mustang coach Brent Eggers.

The Mustangs started their comeback in the third quarter going man to man and stopping the break of Umatilla and cut the lead to six, 49-43 heading into the final stanza. Both teams came out trading buckets in the fourth, Heppner getting within three points at one time

but unable to pull ahead, as the Vikings hit some clutch free throw shots in the final two minutes.

"We tightened up our defense," said Eggers. "The turning point is when we went to the man-to-man defense; that stopped their break and slowed them down offensively."

Todd Lindsay led Heppner with 21 points and Steve Currin and Wayne Wilgers had 11 and 10 points respectively. Wayne Sehman had 20 points and Russ Richards added 10 for the Vikings.

Statistics

Umatilla: Garcia 1, 0-1, 2; Richards 4, 2-3, 10; Vandever 1, 0-0, 2; Pankey 1, 2-5, 4; Don Kurtz 1, 3-4, 5; Dan Kurtz 2, 3-4, 7; Carlson 4, 1-2, 9; John 1, 0-0, 2; Sehman 10 0-0, 20. Totals 25, 11-19, 61.

Heppner: Doherty 2, 0-1, 4; Wilgers 3, 4-5, 10; Lindsay 8, 5-7, 21; Currin 5, 1-3, 11; McConnell 0, 1-2, 1; Graves 1, 1-4, 3; Kenison 2, 3-5, 7. Totals: 21, 15-27, 57.

Mustangs throttle Eagles to end 7-game losing streak



photo by Clark Wallis

Tod Lindsay takes set shot while Jim McConnell watches.

By TRAVIS HYATT

The Heppner Mustangs ended their seven-game losing streak in exciting fashion last Saturday night as they came back from four points down in the final four minutes to defeat the Wahtonka Eagles 55-45.

The Eagles came out firing in the first quarter and drove by the Mustangs zone defense to jump out to a 14-6 lead.

Heppner, however would not give up and played a strong second quarter offensively and got the Eagles in foul trouble. Todd Lindsay hit seven of eight free throw shots and the Mustangs were within six, 27-21, at halftime.

"Anytime you get the ball inside you're going to get free throws. That's what we need to do all the time," said Mustang coach Brent Eggers.

Free throws are exactly what the Mustangs got, hitting 17 of 32 which provided the margin of victory.

Both teams were doing well in the third quarter, but the momentum was changing to favor Heppner, as Wahtonka couldn't stop fouling.

The fourth quarter was the clincher for the Mustangs as they

possibly played the best defense quarter of the year: limiting the Eagles to six points and scoring 20 of their own. Steve Currin scored ten points in the fourth.

"We really turned things around offensively, and really got aggressive. We've been emphasizing the drive over the outside shot and it really paid off. We also kept things pretty simple on offense and that helped to," said Eggers.

Heppner shot 43 percent from the floor connecting on 19-44 shots; the Eagles likewise shot 43 percent.

Lindsay led the Mustangs with 21 points. Currin had 11. Keith Kenison grabbed 10 rebounds for Heppner, and Ron Doherty had eight assists. John Schacher had nine points for Wahtonka.

Statistics

Wahtonka: Sharp 1, 0-0, 2; McCall 1, 0-0, 2; Roper 4, 0-1, 8; Schacher 4, 1-2, 9; Carpenter 2, 0-0, 4; Page 3, 0-1, 6; Cutler 3, 2-2, 8. Totals 21, 3-6, 45.

Heppner: Doherty 2, 0-0, 4; Green 1, 0-0, 2; Lindsay 7, 7-12, 21; Currin 2, 7-11, 11; McConnell 2, 0-0, 4; Graves 2, 3-5, 7; Kenison 3, 0-3, 6. Totals: 19, 17-32, 55.

Degree of Honor installs officers

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD
Heppner's Kate J. Young Degree of Honor Lodge No. 209 held a potluck dinner for members and guests before the installation of new lodge officers on January 22 in the lodge rooms. Installing officer was Bea Clausen, State Director from Bend.

The new officers are: Past President Nina Denton; President Betty Tanner; Vice-President Marie Steagall; Second Vice-President Vivian McConnell; Usher Bernice Nash; Assistant Usher Adelle LaTrace; Inner Watch Babe Harris; Outer Watch Esther Bergstrom;

Pianist Shirley Connor; Ritual Counselor Adelle LaTrace; Color Bearer Babe Harris; Escort Staff Mildred Padberg, Ida Farra, and Eleanor Gonty.

The Lodge trustees are Bernice Nash, one year term; Shirley Connor, two year term; and Ida Farra, three year term.

A baby afghan crocheted by Nina Denton was raffled, Barbara Ware, Corvallis, was the lucky winner.

It was announced that the Heppner lodge will host the Eastern Oregon District Convention on Saturday, April 27.

Senior Citizens Spring rummage sale planned

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD
On Saturday, April 13, the South Morrow County Senior Citizens will hold a big spring rummage sale and will be serving a luncheon in the Pavilion Building of the Morrow County Fairgrounds. Anyone who has something to donate to the sale, can have the donation articles picked up by calling Paul Jones at 676-9972, Clayton Ayers at 676-9953, Bill Cox at 676-9497, or Jane Rawlins at 676-9435.

The card party supervised by Gladys Connor, Virginia Rosewall, and Jane Rawlins on February 24 at the Episcopal Church was considered a successful fund raising event. About 50 persons enjoyed the afternoon.

The prize winners at the bridge tables were Sharon Harrison, Hazel Mahoney and Madge Thompson; at pinocle were Clayton Ayers, Geneva Palmer and Sophie Ayers. Mary Goheen and Helen Martin won prizes for Trivial Pursuit.

Cardinals fall prey to Honkers



photo by Wayne Hams

Randy McCabe (21) goes for layup against Honkers.

By ASHLEY CONKLIN

Ione's boys basketball team fell to 5-2 in the Big Sky Conference and 12-3 overall, following a 68 to 57 loss of Friday, Jan. 25 to the Arlington Honkers. With the loss, Ione fell into a tie with Arlington for second place in the Eastern Division of the conference.

Arlington ran their fast break to perfection in the first period, jumping out to an 18-5 lead. Nathan Bittinger put in eight points and 6-7 Rob Kirksey put in seven more for Arlington in the period.

Mark Meyers tossed in 12 points in the second quarter as Ione slowly got back in the game, outscoring the Honkers 21-19. Arlington led 37-26 at intermission. Kelly Gronquist tossed in ten of his own for Arlington.

Meyers gunned in eight third period points for the Cardinals, but the Honkers gunned in 20 points, to up their advantage to 57-37.

By pressing Arlington in the fourth quarter, Ione pulled within nine points. However, the Cardinal rally fell short and Arlington won 68 to 57.

Ione's Meyers threw in 31 points, tying his career high and topping all scorers. Randy McCabe added 15 more for Ione.

Bittinger led a balanced Honker scoring with 20 points. Inside, Kirksey dropped in 15, while the guard combination of Gronquist and Bryan Childers produced 12 and 11 more respectively.

A key to Arlington controlling the game was their 38 to 25 advantage on the boards, whereas in Ione's previous win over Arlington, (63-61), Ione grabbed a 36-34 advantage.

McCabe pulled down 13 rebounds for Ione.

Each team gave out 19 assists. For the Cards, Meyers handed out seven and McCabe and Jeff Ball each passed out four more. The Cards committed 20 turnovers, while the Honkers handed the ball over 29 times, 22 in the second half.

Ione hit 22 of 55 field goal attempts for 40 percent. Arlington shot very well from the field, making 26 of 48 shots, a 54 percent mark. For the game, the Cardinals converted 13 of 18 free throws, 72 percent. At the free throw line, the Honkers were 16 of 24 for 67 percent.

Ione travels to Helix on Friday, Feb. 1 for a 7:30 p.m. matchup. The Grizzlies are undefeated in league play and ranked third in the state. Ione then hosts Dufur on Saturday, Feb. 2 beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Statistics

Ione	FG	FT	T	TO	R	A	S
McCabe	7-12	1-3	15	3	13	4	4
Rietmann	2-4	1-1	5	1	1	1	2
Doherty	0-4	2-4	2	3	4	0	1
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Meyers	11-30	9-10	31	10	2	7	1
Ball	1-3	0-0	2	2	3	4	1
Douglas	1-2	0-0	2	1	2	2	2
Snider	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	22-55	13-18	57	20	25	19	11

Arlington	FG	FT	T	TO	R	A	F
Arlington	18	19	20	11	68		

Fouled out-Bittinger. Total fouls-Ione 19, Arlington 18.

IHS girls caged as Honkers remain aloft for 59-42 win



photo by Wayne Hams

Candi Rudisill shoots past Arlington defenders.

No. 43 is Deena Hams.

By ASHLEY CONKLIN

Ione's girls basketball team dropped a 59 to 42 contest with the Arlington Honkers on Friday, Jan. 25. With the loss, Ione dropped to 1-6 in Big Sky Conference play and 3-12 overall.

Arlington was off and running in the first quarter, taking a 16 to 10 lead.

Ione's Deena Hams pumped in 10 during the second period, but the Honkers outscored Ione 12-10. The Honkers were up 28 to 20 at the break.

Cara Bittinger popped in ten inside as Arlington grabbed the third period 17-8, increasing their advantage to 45-28. Each team tossed in 14 points during the final quarter. The Honkers won 59 to 42 over the Cardinals.

Hams hit for 24 points to pace Ione. Bittinger led three Arlington players in double figures with 25. Becky Burdick and Jennifer Sharp added 15 and 11 respectively.

From the field, the Cards made 36 percent of their attempts, making 21 of 58. Neither team shot well from the foul line. Ione missed all five of their tries. Meanwhile, the Honkers

were 3 for 13, 23 percent. The Cardinals grabbed a season-high 44 rebounds. Hams collected 14, Sandi Wright and Candi Rudisill pulled down eight and Patty McElligott snared seven.

Ione handed over 19 turnovers. Hams also dished out four assists and stole the ball four times. Candi Rudisill gave out five more assists.

The Cardinals travel to Helix on Friday Feb. 1 for a 6 p.m. contest. The Cardinals then host the Dufur Rangers at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 2.

Statistics

Ione	FG	FT	T	TO	R	A	S
Hams	12-22	0-2	24	4	14	4	1
Wright	4-14	0-2	8	0	8	0	4
McElligott	0-3	0-0	0	2	7	1	3
Rudisill	2-11	0-0	4	5	8	2	5
McCabe	0-3	0-1	0	0	1	1	3
Beeson	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	0
Davison	3-5	0-0	6	0	4	0	3
Totals	21-58	0-5	42	11	44	8	19

Arlington	FG	FT	T	TO	R	A	F
Arlington	16	12	17	14	59		

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