

Cardinals win Christmas Tournament

Friday night, the Cardinal girls traveled to Condon for first round action in the Christmas Tournament. It turned out to be a very exciting game with Ione coming from behind to win. The outside shooting of Candi Rudisill and Patty McElligott kept the Cardinals in the game in the first half. At half time Condon was ahead by one point. At the end of three quarters, Condon's lead was three points.

With two minutes to go in the game and Condon ahead by five points, the Cardinals applied a little full court pressure. Rudisill and Hams led the charge with seven points a piece in the final quarter.

Leading scorers for Ione were Candi Rudisill with 19 points or 64% shooting from the field and Patty McElligott with 10 points.

Ione 52
Condon 49
McElligott 5, 9-1, 10; C. Rudisill 9, 1-3, 19; Hams 4, 1-3, 9; Wagenblast 3, 2-2, 8; Cupps 3, 0-0, 8; Total 24, 4-8, 52.

Saturday night the girl Cardinals were again in Condon, this time to play Crane for the tournament championship. Ione fans who saw the game the night before and figured that it doesn't get any more exciting than that were not ready for the final quarter of this contest.

Even with a slow start, the Cardinals were only down by one point at half time. The third quarter proved to be very good for Crane and very bad for the Cardinals, as Crane out scored Ione 18 to 4 to take a 33 to 18 lead.

The Cardinals again applied the pressure to start the fourth quarter. All the girls played their positions very well, creating six steals and collecting 16 rebounds in the quarter. A complete turn around from the previous quarter resulted, as the Cardinals outscored Crane 20 to 4, to win the game by a single point.

Jo Cupps came up with 10 points, all in the fourth quarter and 12 rebounds for the game to post her best game of the season. Deena Hams led all scorers with 18 points and also had 13 rebounds for the game.

It was a good team effort. The Cardinals and their coach accepted the first place trophy. It is the first time a girls basketball team has won a trophy for Ione. Candi Rudisill and Deena Hams made the All-Tournament Team.

Ione 38
Crane 37
C. Rudisill 2, 0-0, 4; McElligott 2, 0-2, 4; Hams 8, 2-3, 18; Wagenblast 1, 0-0, 2; Cupps 5, 0-0, 10.



Angie Rudisill goes for rebound against Crane.



Ione girls show off first place tournament trophy



Candi Rudisill, Angie Rudisill and Amy Wagenblast Cardinals in action against Condon.

Cards soar over Eagles 41-34



Patty McElligott grabs rebound during win over Eagles

On December 9, the Spray Eagles played the Ione Cardinals at Ione. The girl Cardinals improved their season record to 2-1 with a 41 to 34 win.

The Cardinals had a good night on the boards with Deena Hams and Jo Cupps combining for 25 rebounds. Leading scorers for Ione were Deena Hams with 16 and Patty McElligott with 10 points.

Ione 41
Spray 34
C. Rudisill 2, 1-2, 5; McElligott 5, 0-0, 10; Hams 7, 2-4, 18; Wagenblast 2, 0-1, 4; Cupps 2, 0-0, 4; A. Rudisill 1, 0-0, 2.

JV Fillies find too little too late

By Ashley Conklin
It was too little too late for Heppner's junior varsity girls basketball team last Tuesday night in its season-opener against the Class "AA" Mac-Hi Pioneers.

Down 41-22 after three quarters of action, the Fillies outscored the Pioneers 17-2 in the fourth period before falling short 43-39.

Libby Britt led the fourth period comeback with nine points. Aiding the Filly cause was the fact that the Pioneers were 0-5 from the free throw line in the final period.

Heppner dug themselves into a big hole early on by scoring only six points in both the first and second quarters.

The Fillies did manage to get Mac-Hi into foul trouble in the first half but converted only 6 of 17 free throw tries.

Meanwhile the Pioneers scored 27 first half points to lead 27-12 at the break.

Jill Conklin led Heppner in the third period with six points but the Fillies netted only 10 points in the period compared to 14 for Mac-Hi.

Adult education classes resume in Jan.

Adult Basic Education classes will be on vacation during the Christmas holidays. Classes will resume on January 5 and 6, Monday and Tuesday from 4-7 p.m. "Remember to come back to school in 1987, be consistent with your attendance and your study habits. Let's reach those

goals," said Sue Warren. For further information and answers to questions about A.B.E., call 422-7420.

Heppner came on strong in the fourth quarter but came up short as the Pioneers held on.

Britt was the game's leading scorer with 15 points. Conklin and Jennifer Currin added 11 and 8 points for the Fillies respectively.

Heppner did struggle in the first half at the free throw line but wound up making 11 of 18 free throws in the second half for 61 percent. For the game Heppner was 17 of 35 for 49 percent.

Mac-Hi finished the game by hitting 5 of 18 foul shots for 28 percent.

The Fillies played at Ukiah last Friday night (see related story). They will be off until January 2 when they have a rematch at Mac-Hi (Milton Freewater) at 6 p.m. Heppner will then host the Sherman County Huskies on January 3 at 1

Statistics
Mac-Hi 1 2 3 4 F
Heppner 13 14 14 2 43
Heppner 6 6 10 17 39
Mac-Hi-Schmeyer 4, 1-4, 9; Styler 1, 1-2, 3; Vollermer 0, 0-1, 0; Kopta 1, 2-4, 4; Kinslow 4, 0-1, 0; Starckle 7, 0-1, 15; Bass 1, 0-0, 2; Swanson 0, 0-1, 0; Hall 1, 1-3, 3; Osborn, Duberry 0, 0-1, 0. Total 19, 5-18, 43.
Heppner-Beck, Plochavsky 0, 1-3, 1; Palmer 1, 1-4, 3; Martin 0, 1-2, 1; Britt 4, 3-5, 15; Conklin 2, 7-9, 11; A. Currin 0, 0-1, 0; Brownfield, J. Currin 2, 4-11, 8. Total 11, 17-35, 39.
Fouled out-Starckle. Total fouls-Mac-Hi 28, Heppner 14.

JV Fillies clawed by Ukiah

By Ashley Conklin

Rachel Jones and a horrid first three quarters contributed to a 40-35 loss for Heppner's junior varsity girls basketball team last Friday night against the Ukiah varsity.

Jones led all scorers with 22 points as the Fillies tried to battle back from a 26-16 deficit after three quarters.

Libby Britt scored eight fourth period points to lead Heppner back but the Cougars canned 10 of 19 free throws in the period to hold the Fillies off.

The first frame was a defensive battle as Ukiah took a 7-6 lead. Jones netted 7 of the Cougars 11 points in the second period as Ukiah led 18-11 at intermission.

The Cougars increased their lead to 26-16 at the end of the third quarter before staging off the Heppner rally in the final period.

Britt was the Fillies leading scorer with 14 points while Jennifer Currin added 12. Jamie McCormick added 10 points for the Cougars.

At the charity stripe Heppner made 11 of 24 attempts for 46 percent. Ukiah hit 14 of 25 shots for 56 percent.

Statistics
1 2 3 4 F
Heppner 6 5 8 19 38
Ukiah 7 11 8 14 40
Heppner-Beck, Plochavsky, Palmer 0, 0-2, 0; Martin 1, 2-5, 4; Britt 8, 2-4, 14; Conklin 2, 0-0, 4; A. Currin 0, 1-2, 1; Brownfield, J. Currin 3, 0-11, 12. Total 12, 11-24, 38.
Ukiah-Meyer, B. Kendall, Spring, Franklin 3, 0-0, 0; Williams, B. Kendall 1, 0-1, 2; Patton, McCormick 3, 4-7, 10; McCormick Total 13, 14-25, 40.
Fouled out-Palmer, Franklin. Total fouls-Heppner 21, Ukiah 20.

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LaVerne VanMarter, Jr. and Julie Wattenburger
would like to invite their friends to join them in the celebration of their marriage at a reception to be held at the Heppner Elks Lodge on December 27, from 7 to 9 p.m. No Gifts Please.

TOWN HALL MEETING
Monday, Dec. 22 at 7:30 p.m.
Ione School Cafeteria
This is a fact meeting about current issues, problems & solutions for the County. Present at the meeting will be Port Manager, Bob Miller; Judge-Elect, Louis Carlson; and Superintendent of Schools, Doyle McCaslin.
EVERYONE IN MORROW COUNTY IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND
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Carolyn, Sharon and Ron, children of Irene and Leo Crabtree invite all friends and relatives to attend their parents 50th Wedding Anniversary Reception on Saturday, December 27, 2-4 p.m. Willows Grange Hall Ione, Oregon