

Stanfield favorite in Eastern Division

By Ashley Conklin

Tradition and a bright array of talent will be the keys to the Columbia Basin Conference girls basketball season this year.

Girls basketball teams from District 7-A have always been competitive at the state level and this year should be no exception.

Last season's Class "A" state champions came from the CBC in the form of the Heppner Fillies. Two years ago the Fillies were third at the state tournament and three years ago the Sherman County Huskies were the state runners-up. The Pilot Rock Rockets were one of the state's dominant teams in the late 70's and early 80's and should be again this year. The Riverside Pirates, who finished second at this year's Class "A" volleyball tournament, advanced to the state tournament a year ago in basketball and hope to return there this year.

As for the bright array of talent, three first team all-star selections from a year ago, Missy Eubanks of Heppner, Karen Doherty of Pilot Rock, and Lindy Porfily of Stanfield return. Kim Kiser, from Wahtonka, is the lone second team CBC all-star returning. Those four, coupled with several good, young players from other teams, should provide the CBC with another banner season.

Head coach Mike Royer and Eubanks return for the Fillies but Heppner lost four of its five starters to graduation last season and Royer picks Stanfield, led by Porfily and Heather Hummell, as the favorites in his team's Eastern Division.

Over in the Western Division Riverside and Sherman County look to dominate once again although the Pirates lost star Michelle Mark to graduation and the Huskies also were hit hard by graduation.

The divisional races, however, haven't been narrowed down to just Riverside, Sherman County, and Stanfield.

Stanfield coach Kelly Williams and Wahtonka's Gene Bivens see Weston-McEwen as a force to be reckoned with. The smart money would also include Pilot Rock in the pre-season forecast.

The Rockets made the district tournament a year ago and were rated fourth in the first Class "A" state poll while Sherman County was ranked eighth. Stanfield also drew votes but surprisingly Heppner and Riverside did not.

One thing though is pretty certain. No matter which four teams (two from each division) make it to the district tournament in Pendleton, don't count any of them out come time for the state tournament.

Listed below is a look at each team listed alphabetically starting with the Eastern Division.

Eastern Division Heppner

After winning the state championship last season and ending up with a 24-1 record, Heppner is pinning its hopes on Eubanks, a 5'9" senior, to lead the Fillies back to the promised land.

Thus far Eubanks has been far from disappointing in leading the Fillies to a 4-1 record including an impressive win over Riverside. After finishing in the top five in virtually every statistical category in the CBC last season, Eubanks has been averaging 23.6 points and 12.6 rebounds per game in pre-season play.

Heppner, who has played a fast break style of basketball in the previous three years under Royer will look inside to Eubanks and 5'8" senior Theresa Lindsay.

Senior Tina Davidson will run the Fillies offense this season while Heppner will look for outside shooting from 5'8" senior Cindy Strober and 5'8" sophomore Sandi Turner. Sophomore Tami Lindsay, 6'1," has been a pleasant surprise for Royer off the bench by pulling down 11.2 rebounds a game.

Royer sees Stanfield and Riverside as the favorites in the Eastern and Western Divisions respectively but is far from counting his team out.

"We'll be fighting for the top spot in the East," Royer said, "and we want to improve every game and make it back to the district tournament."

Don't be surprised to see Royer and the Fillies return to the district tournament.

Pilot Rock

(Pilot Rock coach Don Weinke was unavailable for comment at press time.)

The Rockets led by seniors Karen Doherty and Robin Baldwin, have had a good pre-season, including a victory over Class "AA" powerhouse Mac-Hi and will receive help inside from seniors Jill Tresham and Kim McKenzie.

After receiving an early exit at the district tournament last year, the Rockets are looking for a return ticket to Pendleton for the district tournament, LaGrande for the regional tournament, and then back to Pendleton for the state tournament.

It's a sight Rocket fans know very well.

Stanfield

After finishing with an overall record of 11-7 last season, the Tigers will be looking for the same success they had in volleyball (Eastern Division champs) for this year's basketball campaign.

Not only will Heather Hummell and Linda Porfily (who led the CBC in scoring a year ago) return to the starting lineup but so will senior point guard Debbie Blais and senior Toni Miller.

With Hummell (6'0"), Porfily (5'8"), and Miller (5'8") Stanfield will have good height up front and will benefit from the height of sophomores Lelanda Pope (5'11"), Stephenie Zabransky (5'8"), and Jennifer Hummell (5'8") off the bench. Williams is also looking for big things from juniors Michelle Bradley and Gail Kramer.

"We have good experience and good balance but we're not always consistent," Williams said. "We have a fair pre-season schedule which should allow us to be competitive in our division."

Following pre-season tournaments at home and at Echo the Tigers should be very competitive.

Umatilla

The Vikings lost just two players to graduation last season and new coach Marcia Byrd is looking toward the new season with optimism.

Byrd has coached at basketball camps for the past five years and also has served as an assistant coach in Selah, Washington and as a freshmen coach in Ellensburg, Washington.

"I think we can be competitive in the league because everyone is fairly short and quick," she said. "I feel our pre-season schedule will really prepare us for the bulk of our league games."

The Vikings return seniors Shelly Sehman (5'8") and Soni Savage to the starting line-up this season. Junior Norma Ferrer and sophomores Penny Conforth and Anji Jorstad will also be key performers for Byrd this season who has also been impressed by the play of newcomer Tina Cleaver.

Umatilla has loaded up on a good pre-season schedule, playing in the Stanfield and Echo tournaments with Stanfield, and will play in the Imbler tournament the first week of January.

"Since I'm new to the area I don't really have any predictions yet, but my guess would be that Stanfield will be the powerhouse in the league," Byrd said.

With quickness and a good pre-season schedule, the Vikings might just start winning quickly.

Weston-McEwen

(TigerScot coach Reggie McShane could not be reached for comment by press time.)

As with Stanfield, Weston-

McEwen hopes to cash in on a profitable volleyball season in which they advanced to the district tournament.

The TigerScots just missed reaching the district tournament in basketball a year ago but could make it there this year.

Weston-McEwen will be led by senior guard Adie Kirk, senior Shelly Morton, and junior Pam Morton. Seniors Darla Joy and Tara Kesling will also be key players for McShane this season.

Should the TigerScots profit from their lucrative volleyball season, fans in Athena might be banking at the Pendleton Armory during district tournament time.

Western Division Riverside

(Riverside coach Dirk Dirksen was unavailable for comment at press time.)

Michelle Mark, probably the best basketball player ever to come out of the CBC, is gone but few are shedding tears for coach Dirksen over in Boardman. That could be because two starters and a good percentage of last season's state tournament team are back.

Leading the Pirates inside game again this year will be 5'9" senior Trina Hellberg and 5'10" junior Lisa Mark. Riverside's outside game will also be strong led by juniors Laura Erickson and Bonnie Guthrie.

Another need for Dirksen coming into the season was to find a point guard. He apparently has, in the combination of Erickson and senior Colleen Shaw.

The Pirates have had a tough pre-season schedule, losing to Heppner and Stanfield but did manage a win at Sherman County.

If the Pirates can forget Michelle Mark, they may remember the successes she brought.

Sherman County

(Another coach, Sherman County's Terry Kaseberg, was also unavailable to answer questions at press time.)

The Huskies have enjoyed the same amount of success as Heppner has in the past but Sherman County has lost two games at each of the last two district tournaments and have been denied any further post-season action.

Things wouldn't appear to get any better for the Huskies this year as

they lost four of last season's starters to graduation.

The one returning starter is senior point guard Tammy Conner who has been feeding the likes of Patti Sharp and others for several seasons.

Sherman County will be hoping for big things from juniors Penny Brown and Jill Conlee who came off the bench for the Huskies last season as well as Lea and Liz Bothwell.

Sherman County is lacking in height as none of last year's returning starters are 5'8" or taller. But what the Huskies don't have in height they can make up for in experience.

Wahtonka

Gene Bivens, whose Eagles struggled through a 3-17 season a year ago, hope to improve that this season and compete with the likes of Riverside and Sherman County. What will help Bivens is that Wahtonka advanced to the regional volleyball tournament in November.

The Eagles are young with one senior, three juniors, five sophomores, and two freshmen holding down varsity spots.

"In the pre-season we hope to give the younger girls the experience they need to build up their confidence," Bivens said.

The one senior is Kim Kiser, a second team all-league selection, who will be counted on to provide the scoring punch for Wahtonka this season.

Juniors Krissy Brown and Missy Pishion at 5'10" and 5'8" respectively will lead the Eagles inside while sophomores Cindy Benetti, Debbi Hudson, and Teresa Newcomb will also figure heavily in Bivens' attack.

"We'll try and fast break as much as possible and be very aggressive offensively," Bivens said, "while playing both zone and man-to-man defense."

"I think we match up really well with most teams and we should be competitive," he added. "In the West I really believe that we have a chance to surprise some people."

With Kiser at the helm, Wahtonka might just be competitive and surprise some people.

Wasco County

At Wasco County, Tony Schackman, the dean of CBC coaches with 18 years experience, is coming off a 10-10 season with just two returning starters, senior Michelle Tolentino and sophomore Gretchen Peterson (5'8").

"Lack of both offense and experience will be our weak points this season but the girls have shown good attitudes and defense should be our strong suit," Schackman said.

Junior Jenelle Cupps, a transfer from Dufur, should help according to Schackman.

"Our pre-season schedule will give us a chance to do a lot of experimenting," Schackman said. "We will have to play above our heads to keep up with the rest of the West."

If Wasco County plays above its head this season, they could be heads above the rest in the Western Division.

Hospital Notes

Pioneer Memorial Hospital reports admitting Elvira Irby of Heppner on December 24 and discharging her on December 25.

The following patients were still receiving care at the hospital Monday:

Clayton Ayers, Heppner-admitted December 26; and

Robert McMillan, Lexington; Edith Munkers, Heppner; Claude Buschke, Heppner; and Celia Matteson, Heppner; all of who were admitted December 28.



Every week, nine out of 10 adults read at least one newspaper.

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MORROW No. 86-CV-82 STATE OF OREGON, Acting by and through the Director of Veterans' Affairs,

Plaintiff, v. HARRY DUANE STEERS; CHERYL LYNN STEERS; aka CHERYL LYN STEERS; and TRANSAMERICA FINANCIAL SERVICES; and SANDY LAFOUNTAIN, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of an Execution issued out of the above-entitled court in the above-entitled cause to me directed and dated December 2, 1986, based upon a Judgment rendered and entered in said court on November 7, 1986, in favor of the State of Oregon, Acting by and through the Director of Veterans' Affairs, commanding me to make sale of the following described real property, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 30' South of the Northeast corner of Section 27, Township 5 North, Range 26, E.W.M., thence South parallel with the Morrow County Road, right of way along the East line of Section 27, a distance of 150'; thence West a distance of 290.4'; thence North a distance of 150'; thence East a distance of 290.4' to the point of beginning of this description, in the County of Morrow, State of Oregon. Excepting all roads.

TOGETHER WITH THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED MOBILE HOME WHICH IS FIRMLY AFFIXED TO THE PROPERTY, 1973 NASHUA, 14 x 65 MOBILE HOME, SERIAL #3691.

To satisfy a Judgment against defendants Harry Duane Steers and Cheryl Lynn Steers, aka Cheryl Lynn Steers for the sum of \$16,344.54, together with interest at 9.0 percent per annum from date of Judgment until paid.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of said Execution and Judgment and in compliance with the command of said Writ, I will on the 20th day of January, 1987, at 10:00 A.M., at Rt. 2, Box 180, Irrigon, Morrow County, Oregon, sell at public auction and subject to redemption to the highest bidder for cash in hand all of the right, title and interest which Harry Duane Steers and Cheryl Lynn Steers, aka Cheryl Lynn Steers had on October 5, 1977, the date of plaintiff's mortgage, and thereafter had in and to the above-described real property or any part or portion thereof, to satisfy said Execution and Judgment and interest, costs and accruing costs.

DATED at Heppner, Oregon, on December 3, 1986.

Roy Drago, Sheriff
By: (s) Pauline Winter
Chief Civil Deputy

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NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX WARRANTS

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to ORS 311.615 of the Service of Personal Property Tax warrants upon the following listed tax payers. Payment of the following listed delinquent taxes with interest and cost of service must be made by January 21, 1987 or said warrants shall be filed with the County Clerk of Morrow County, Oregon, for entry in the County Clerk Lien Record; and shall become a Lien upon the title to any interest in real property owned by the person against whom the warrant is issued, and the taxes on personal property reflected in the warrant with interest, penalties and costs applicable thereto shall continue as a Lien on all the personal property of the person assessed as otherwise provided by law. The effect shall be the same as though the people of the county had recovered the judgment against the person charged for the full amount of the delinquent tax covered by the warrant together with interest thereon and cost as provided by law.

NAME	DESCRIPTION	YEAR	TAX	INT TO	PENALTY	TOTAL
				Feb. 15, 87		
NAVARRO, PEDRO	MOBILE HOME	86	15.15	.15	15.00	30.30
BAXTER, LAURA	MOBILE HOME	86	37.04	.38	15.00	52.22
BERDON, DONALD & DENISE	MOBILE HOME	86	52.99	.53	15.00	68.51
YEIGH, MELVA JANE	MOBILE HOME	86	36.99	.37	15.00	52.36
GARRETT, CECILIO & AUBELIA	MOBILE HOME	86	246.94	2.47	15.00	264.41
BONCUT, ANTEL J & VIOLET W	MOBILE HOME	86	121.71	1.22	15.00	137.93
RICHARD, JOHN A & DEBORAH	MOBILE HOME	86	140.28	1.40	15.00	156.68
ALLEN, VIRGINIA L.	MOBILE HOME	86	69.23	.69	15.00	84.92
MYERS, STEVE & ROXIE	MOBILE HOME	86	186.90	1.87	15.00	203.77
HARRISON, THOMAS & LORE	MOBILE HOME	86	51.77	.52	15.00	67.29
EVJE, KENNETH & JERANE	MOBILE HOME	86	9.01	.09	15.00	24.10
UTBORN, DENNIE	MOBILE HOME	86	14.44	.14	15.00	29.58
NAVARRO, GORGE	MOBILE HOME	86	72.26	.72	15.00	87.98
KESTLER, EARY & TAMARA	MOBILE HOME	86	54.34	.54	15.00	69.88
WILLIAMS, SWARRE	MOBILE HOME	86	141.00	1.41	15.00	157.41
BILSONY, SHANE & DARLINE	MOBILE HOME	86	213.93	2.14	15.00	231.07
OTTO, JACE	MOBILE HOME	86	38.70	.39	15.00	54.09
WICKEL, DAN W.	MOBILE HOME	86	25.15	.25	15.00	40.40
WEST, ALFRED & ORA	MOBILE HOME	86	163.40	1.63	15.00	180.03
PALMER, CARL	MOBILE HOME	86	34.24	.34	15.00	49.58
YEIGH, FRANCIS E.	MOBILE HOME	86	123.53	1.24	15.00	139.77
POPE, FAROL	MOBILE HOME	86	240.31	2.40	15.00	257.71
GRIGGEBY, PAUL W & DEBORAH S.	MOBILE HOME	86	155.94	1.56	15.00	172.50
WERNER, DANIEL & SHELLY	MOBILE HOME	86	104.94	1.05	15.00	120.99
BRADY, JOHN L. & CLAIRE M.	MOBILE HOME	86	918.86	9.19	15.00	943.05
BRADY, ELAINE W.	MOBILE HOME	86	165.22	1.65	15.00	181.87
LYTTON, ZUTAN	MOBILE HOME	86	316.03	3.16	15.00	334.19
RAFAEL, ROSA	MOBILE HOME	86	68.35	.68	15.00	84.03

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General Safety Tips

- Keep your natural Christmas tree watered (hot lights can ignite a tree in seconds).
- Make sure your home fuse box is equipped to handle the additional load of Christmas lights.
- Don't burn wrapping paper in the fireplace (burning paper has been known to ignite chimneys).
- Keep small children away from mistletoe and other holiday plants (they're pretty, but poisonous).
- Don't buy toys with sharp edges or pieces that can break off and be swallowed.
- If hosting grandchildren for the holidays, childproof your home (especially electrical outlets, medicine cabinets and under sinks).

Hosting a Party?

- Clear your walks and driveway of snow and ice.
- Have non-alcoholic beverages on hand for non-drinkers (never pressure a non-drinker to drink).
- Do not let a guest displaying signs of intoxication drive home.
- Offer to call a cab for a potentially intoxicated guest, or, if convenient, offer to put the guest up for the evening.

Attending Holiday Parties?

- Wear your seat belt while in the car to and from a party.
- Never attempt to quench your thirst with an alcoholic beverage.

- Avoid intoxication by drinking slowly, with food in the stomach.
- If attending a cocktail reception, eat beforehand (party snacks such as peanuts and pretzels are no substitute for a well-balanced meal).
- DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE
- Be aware that remedies such as black coffee, cold showers, exercises and fresh air have no effect on blood alcohol content.

Watch Your Weight at the Dinner Table

- Cut excess fat from meat and remove skin from poultry.
- Cut pieces of pie and cake thinner and leave off whipped cream or ice cream (fruit is an enjoyable dessert substitute).
- Put down your silverware between bites and engage in mealtime conversation to slow your eating rate.
- Remove food from sight immediately following the meal.
- After the meal, get up from the table and participate in an activity.

What About Those Party Calories?

- Tell the host or hostess you're watching your weight (their support can be valuable).
- Don't stand by the food table (out of sight, out of mind).
- Don't eat because others are eating.
- Drink a diet beverage instead of alcohol.

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