

Ione drops season opener to Condon



Photo by Wayne Harris

Dustin Padberg scored three touchdowns against Condon Friday, but it wasn't enough as the Cards fumbled twice in the second half to lose the game 36-24 in their season opener.

Fillies start season with losses

By Jill Conklin

The Heppner Fillies opened their season at the Grant Union Tournament in John Day Saturday. It was a learning experience as the Fillies lost all three of their matches.

The Fillies opened the tournament against host Grant Union. Heppner started well winning the first two points but from there it went downhill. The Fillies kept it close, setting it up and attacking well until they were stopped at seven points.

Grant Union then got on a hot streak and there was no stopping them. The Prospectors scored six straight points to win the game 15-8.

In the second game the Fillies were down 7-1 before Jill Conklin served six points to tie the game. Unfortunately, they only scored one more point the rest of the game. The Prospectors went on to deprive the Fillies of the win, 15-7.

The second match of the day was against AA Lakeview. Once again the Fillies got out to an early lead, scoring the first six points. Lakeview came storming back to even the game. The Fillies again played well but lost out in the end 14-16.

The second game was all Lakeview. The Fillies only scored five points and were beaten 15-5.

Trying to salvage their pride, Heppner took on Pine-Eagle. The Fillies started out badly as they were unable to send the ball back over the net successfully. Heppner was never in the game and lost 15-6.

In the second match the Fillies fared better. Pine-Eagle struck first leading the game 5-2. Then Joanna Welch stepped to the serving line. Behind her the Fillies rallied to an 8-5 lead. Pine-Eagle then tied the game at eight points. They then went back and forth for an eventual tie at 12. Finally, the Spartans scored four unanswered points to win 15-12.

The day was not completely unsuccessful as both Sandi Turner and Tami Lindsay received votes for the all tournament team.

The Fillies also had good performances from Conklin and Welch's serving, some excellent setting from Christy Stroeber and hitting from Lindsay and Turner. "We're glad to have the first game behind us and are looking forward to the games ahead," stated coach Terri Gentry.

The Fillies faced AAA Hermiston Tuesday and their home opener will be Thursday against the Grant Union Prospectors at 3:30 p.m.

Cards on top of league with win over Echo



Photo by Wayne Harris

Ione's Jo Cupps and Darce Padberg team up to beat the Echo Cougars Monday, 15-0, 15-11.

The Cards are at the top of the stack in the Big Sky Conference with a 2-0 league record.



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J.V. player Kari Morgan spikes a ball over the net at the Ione-Echo game.

Devin, Britt named Heppner Players of the week

Offensive Player of the Week for Heppner Mustangs goes to Russell Britt. Russell gained 48 tough yards on 14 carries. He also had three receptions for 22 yards. On defense Russell recovered one of three fumbles by Riverside.

Defensive Player of the Week is

filled by Dick Devin. A 6 ft. 1 in., 160 lb. senior safety. Dick had 12 assisted and 3 unassisted tackles. He also had one tackle for a loss and recovered a Riverside fumble.

Both players had good games. With their hustle and attitude, they should have more.

Ione youth group meet Sept. 18

The senior high youth group is having a kick-off barbecue this Sunday, September 18.

All 9th-12th graders are invited to attend at 5:30 p.m. at the Ione United Church of Christ parsonage. They will be hearing about the trip

to San Francisco from those who went and making plans for the year ahead.

For more information call Caroline at 422-7530. Anyone interested is urged to attend.

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Russell Britt #42 B/B 150 lbs. Junior



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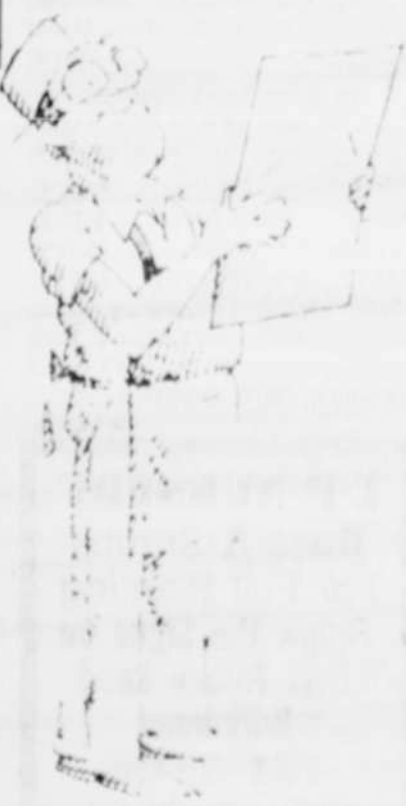
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