

## Heppner Mustangs trample S.C. Huskies, 32-3

The Heppner Mustangs got back on the winning track Friday night, Oct. 4, with a 32-3 home victory over the Sherman County Huskies.

Heppner scored four times in the first half to take a commanding 25-0 lead at halftime and coasted to victory in the second half.

Jeff Watkins opened the scoring with a 13 yard pass from quarterback Brian Koffler. Eric Schonbachler picked up a bad pat snap and found Travis Wilhelm in the end zone for a 8-0 Mustang lead.

Heppner scored on their next possession, with Brent Gunderson diving in from the one

yard line with 2:56 left in the first quarter. The big play on the drive was a 33 yard pass completion from Koffler to Jerid Ployhar. Schonbachler was good with the pat and the Mustangs led 15-0.

Next, Koffler found Schonbachler for a nifty 41 yard pass and run play to put Heppner up 22-0.

Schonbachler also kicked a 29 yard field goal with 7:24 left in the half to make the score 25-0 at the half.

Heppner had their last scoring drive in the middle of the third quarter, with Justin Matteson scoring from 10 yards

out. Schonbachler kicked the pat for a 32-0 lead.

Pepe Romo kicked a 20 yard field goal for the Huskies to get on the board in the fourth quarter.

The younger Mustangs moved the ball up and down the field but didn't score in the fourth quarter.

Derek Gunderson ran for 121 yards on nine carries to lead the Mustangs. He also performed well returning punts.

Heppner takes to the road Thursday, Oct. 10, to play the Stanfield Tigers in Stanfield. The Tigers are 0-2 in league play and 1-4 for the season.

## Heppner Fillies beat TigerScots in two games

By Molly Rhea

Anyone who missed the varsity Fillies volleyball match against Weston-McEwen on October 1 should still be kicking himself. The Fillies stomped the TigerScots in two games, 15-7, 15-12, and treated the attending to a splendid display of teamwork.

Game One was truly inspired with exceptional net play. In spite of the somewhat lopsided score, the game was intense throughout and Weston-McEwen was never out of it.

One of the most exciting plays of the season came after Heppner missed the serve with the score 10-3. As the TigerScot server sent a low ball in, Lexi Matteson blocked the serve. Then when the opposition bumped the ball directly back to her, Matteson leapt up and smashed the ball in for a kill.

Matteson, Lori Moeller, and Annie Hisler all had several hits which either scored or caused Heppner to obtain a side-out. Stormy Howard, Mindy Binschus, and Traci Dickenson also turned in strong net play performances.

If anything, Game Two was even more exciting than the first, with heavy hitting coming from both sides. With the crowd on the edge of their seats, the Fillies put forward a demonstration of teamwork.

Hisler and Howard ran the floor and, with the Fillies' balanced ability to hit, were able to set the net as well as the back row with Moeller supplying spikes from behind the 10' line. When playing front row, 5'2" Amber Peck surprised the TigerScots with several kills.

Just when it looked like the Fillies had the TigerScots on a



photo by Joyce Hughes

Lori Moeller and Lexi Matteson make the play at the net

leash with a 11-6 lead, Weston-McEwen's Amber

Weatherspoon peeled off five straight to tie it at 11 apiece. On Weatherspoon's attempt to score point 12 for the TigerScots, Traci Dickenson

chased down an errant pass for a save, the Fillies put the ball over and earned the side out. With renewed confidence, Heppner went on to win the game and the match, 15-12.

Heppner's JV's lost to Weston-McEwen in three games, 15-6, 8-15, 2-15. Game One was tied at six when Jessica VanWinkle took control at the service line to

score points seven through 13. Brooke Boyer capped it with the last two points for a strong win in the first game.

In Game Two the TigerScots turned the tables. The score was tied at eight when Weston-McEwen was able to take the second game by scoring seven unanswered points to clinch the game.

Game Three the Heppner JV's simply folded up with a breakdown in communication and several unforced errors to quickly lose the game and the match.

Heppner's C-team also struggled with team communication at Weston-McEwen and lost their match in two games, 15-13, 15-5.

## Heppner Fillies Varsity loses to Condon, JVs win

By Molly Rhea

The morning following Heppner High School homecoming festivities, the Heppner Fillies hosted the Condon Blue Devils in a non-league volleyball contest.

Coach Terri Gentry noted that since the match up was non-league, she took the opportunity to try various player rotations and combinations.

The Fillies led from the get-go in Game One and at one point were ahead 12-2. They went on to win, 15-8.

Game Two the Fillies performed dismally at the service line, were unable to capitalize on the Blue Devil's mistakes and trailed Condon throughout the game to lose, 9-15.

Game Three the Fillies enjoyed an early 7-3 lead, only to have the Blue Devils tie the game at nine then surge ahead to win, 9-15.

Although the team had a poor outing behind the service line, earning only 77 percent for the match, Lori Moeller was a bright spot. She served 9/9 for the match and displayed her front row prowess with 11 hits for three kills and several successful dinks that kept Condon guessing. 5'4" Stormy Howard had eight hits with three kills. Mindy Binschus was an enforcer at the front row with an incredible seven kills and numerous dinks. Amber Peck put forth a steady effort with effective passes and serve returns, and Annie Hisler ran the floor as the Filly setter with a strong all around performance and five serving aces.

Heppner JV's handled Condon's JV's easily winning 15-9, 15-5. The team put out an outstanding effort at the service line, 44/49 for 95 percent success.

Coach Susan Hisler cited Jessica Maben, Casey Ingraham, Janelle Healy, Kim Pointer and Jayme Hansen for their strong net performances. Noting that her JV squad had played five matches this last week, Coach Hisler recognized the following players for their solidity at the service line throughout the past week: Brooke Boyer, 36/37 for 26 points scored, 97percent; Jessica VanWinkle, 14/15, 93 percent; Jayme Hansen, 14/15, 93percent; Linsey Ropp, 13/14, 93 percent; Christy Kenny, 9/10,



photo by Joyce Hughes

Jill Barber makes a return

90percent; Katie Kenny, 7/8, 88 percent.

The Heppner C-team also had a successful morning, beating the Blue Devils, 10-15, 15-2, 15-9.

Game One the C-team struggled at the service line and managed only 62 percent serving success.

In Game Two the Heppner C's didn't even have to complete a full rotation to whip the Blue Devils, 15-2. Trisha Adams scored points eight through 15 to close up the game.

Game Three started out slow with multiple side outs. The Filly C's were trailing 6-9, then with steady effort came from behind to snatch the match, 15-9. In the winning games of their match, the C-team earned 85 percent serving success. Kristi Worden was 6/6 for 100 percent, while Trisha Adams went 15/16 for 94 percent.

League Standings	
Heppner	4-1
Weston-McEwen	6-1
Wahtonka	3-4
Umatilla	2-3
Sherman Co.	2-4
Pilot Rock	4-3
Stanfield	0-5

October 1 results: Heppner def Weston-McEwen 15-7, 15-12. Wahtonka def Sherman Co 15-13, 15-12.

October 3 results: Heppner def Wahtonka 13-15, 16-14, 15-11. Weston-McEwen def Umatilla 15-9, 15-13. Pilot Rock def Stanfield 15-2, 3-15, 15-9.

October 5 CBC sub-district tourney: Weston-McEwen def Wahtonka 15-7, 15-8. Weston-McEwen def Sherman Co. 15-5, 15-17, 15-9. Pilot Rock def Wahtonka 15-3, 15-10. Pilot Rock def Sherman Co. 15-8, 15-12.

Volleyball Schedule  
 \*Thurs Oct 10 Pilot Rock here 5 pm  
 \*Fri Oct 11 JV's at Pendleton  
 \*Sat Oct 12 Varsity to Imbler tour.  
 \*Tues Oct 15 Sherman Co here  
 \*Thur Oct 17 Weston-McEwen here  
 \*Sat Oct 19 CBC tour at Stanfield  
 \*Mon Oct 21 at Lone  
 \*denotes league game

## Concert set at Irrigon

Folk musician Bill Staines will appear in concert Wednesday, October 16, at 7:30 p.m. at Columbia Middle School in Irrigon.

Staines has recorded 18 of his own albums and a number of his songs have been recorded by other artists, including Makem and Clancy, Nanci Griffith, Mason Williams, Glen Yarbrough, Jerry Jeff Walker, Grandpa Jones, Pricilla Herdman and others. His songs have been published in four songbooks and his radio and TV appearances have included "A Prairie Home Companion", "Mountain Stage", "The Good Evening Show" and other local programs on PBS and network TV.

Tickets for the concert may be purchased at the door for \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. Proceeds from the concert go to the Columbia Middle School student body.

## Market Report

Compliments of the Morrow County Grain Growers

Tuesday, Oct. 8	
Soft White	
Oct.	\$4.49/\$4.47
Nov.-Jan.	\$4.48
Barley	
Oct.	\$117
Nov.-Jan.	\$118

## Heppner Fillies beat Wahtonka Eagles

By Molly Rhea

The visiting Wahtonka Eagles gave our Heppner Fillies (as well as their coaches and the crowd) a scare on Thursday, October 3, but the Fillies managed to put it together and pull off the match, 13-15, 16-14, 15-11. This victory was especially sweet since Heppner's only league loss of 1996 came at the hands of Wahtonka.

This important league win puts Heppner in the #1 spot in CBC volleyball action.

The Fillies appeared to have Game One in the barn after Amber Peck whipped out points eight-12, then Annie Hisler upped the score to 13-9. That was when Wahtonka took a firm hold on the reins and turned the Fillies stampede. The Eagles earned a side out with a front row kill, then Wahtonka's Miranda Hager went to the service line and served points 10-15 to capture the first game.

Game Two was hard fought with 32 side outs and the Eagles leading most of the game. Just when Wahtonka thought they had Heppner corralled with a 14-10 lead, the Fillies kicked up the intensity behind the next three servers to nip the Eagles, 16-14.

Wahtonka's only lead in Game Three came when their first server scored two points. After Lori Moeller served up Heppner's first three points, the Fillies led the rest of the game and won, 15-11.

Coach Terri Gentry stated, "Lexi Matteson had another strong night at the net with a number of successful hits, dinks and blocks. Amber Peck played tenacious back row, while her counterpart, Mindy Binschus, helped dominate the front."

Although Gentry is blaming the spunky varsity squad for the increase of gray in her hair, she is pleased the their level of play and attributes the win to gutsy back row digs and strong net play. "The girls are really starting to put it all together," concludes Gentry.

Heppner's JV's had no problems putting away Wahtonka's JV squad, 15-2, 15-8.

Heppner took a quick lead in Game One behind solid serving and kills from Kim Pointer, Brooke Boyer and Jaci Hughes. Jayme Hansen

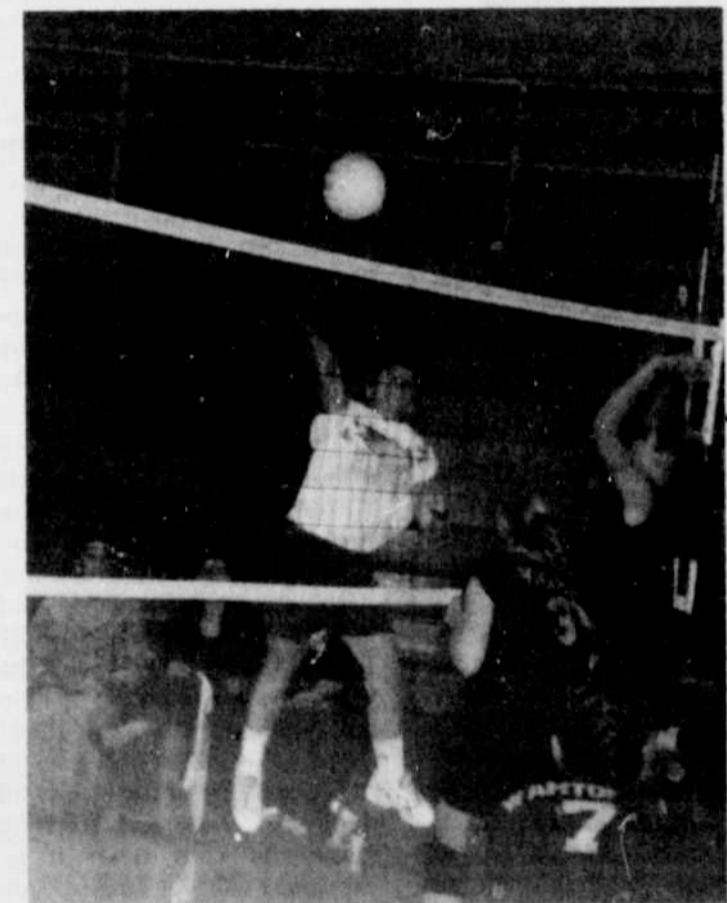


photo by Joyce Hughes

Filly gets a good spike

scored points six through 13 with strong front row support. Hughes aced point 14, then scored game point off of Christy Kenny's front row kill.

Game Two started out slowly with the first two servers from each team missing their serves. The momentum built with kills coming from Janelle Healy and Jessica VanWinkle. Josie Proctor played well at the net, tipping several balls just over Wahtonka's front row blocking effort.

Healy sparked the JV's in Game Two with a couple of great saves, and Hansen displayed great anticipation on dink defense as well as offensive tipping. The JV team demonstrated how their ability to work together wins ball games.

Since Wahtonka does not field a C-team the Heppner JV's agreed to take on the Heppner C-team after the varsity game on Thursday. This friendly match-up drew loud crowd support with those attending being treated to one of the best efforts of the C-team so far this year. Although the Heppner C's played with intensity, they were overcome by the more seasoned JV's, 15-9, 15-10.

In Game One the C-team jumped out to an early lead with Ashley Ropp scoring the first four points of the game. JV servers Kim Pointer and Jamie Perez evened the score at four, then the JV's surged ahead with Christy Kenny scoring points five though eight.

The feisty C's battled back to a tie, but just weren't able to handle serves dealt out by Jessica VanWinkle, as she scored points nine through 14. The JV's came away the winner 15-9.

Amy Drake shone in the front row for the C's in game one with several kills and tips.

Game Two had the C's again working hard and playing well as a team, but the dominating JV's led the entire game and played tough with kills coming from Casey Ingraham, Jaci Hughes and Jessica Maben. Second game C-team action was highlighted with 5'2" Ashley Ropp coming away with a duo of front row kills, as well as heavy hitting from Amy Papineau and Abby Kahl. Macy Rhea and Kahl demonstrated strong back row skills with some tough digs and saves. The JV's won the second game 15-10.

**HEPPNER BOOSTER CLUB**

**STEAK FEED & AUCTION**

**Saturday - October 19**

**Heppner Elks Club**

**Dinner - \$7.50**

**served from 6:00 to 8:00**

**Auction to begin at 8:00**

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