

Ione Cardinals varsity girls win league match

By Kara Miller
Ione varsity teams were unable to travel to Helix on Friday, Jan. 17, because of the sudden ice storm that hit both communities. On Saturday, Jan. 18, however, the Wheeler Falcons flew into town to take on both Ione boys' teams and the Ione Lady Cardinals' varsity squad. The Ione Lady Cards led the whole way—cruising to a 47-34 win over the Falcons.

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The Falcons stayed close to the Ione offensive pressure, leaving the score within four, 24-20 on the board. The score made people think it was going to the wire, but in the third quarter, the fire was turned up underneath the Cardinals' feet. They outscored the Falcons 13-4, and easily made it through the fourth, keeping up the offensive and defensive tactics that were successful in the third.

Dawn Boor and Camie Burright were new starters in the Lady Cardinal lineup. Boor added seven points, three rebounds and two steals. C. Burright had eight points, four rebounds and five steals. All the bench saw playing time as the Cards added another win to their

league status.

Coach Dana Heideman stated, "We did a good job of rebounding. We outrebounded them about 2-1. We played better defense in the second half and there was more of a balance in our scorers."

Ione will make up the game against Helix, by traveling there mid-week, Tuesday night, Jan. 21. Only the varsity teams will play. The Ione and Helix boys were predicted to be No. 1 and No. 2 in the Big Sky league, so the game should be exciting. Games start at 4 p.m.

Ione JV and varsity teams will host the Echo Cougars Friday, Jan. 24, 3 p.m., and the Cards will travel to Arlington on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 25.

Market Report

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Tuesday, Jan. 21	
Soft White	
Jan.	\$4.10
Feb.	\$4.10
March	\$4.08
new crop	\$3.10
Barley	
Jan.-Feb.	\$119
new crop	\$105

Mustangs fall to Wahtonka Eagles, 54-43

Bill Schonly, radio voice of the Portland Trailblazers always says it: "You've got to make your freethrows." And it was never as true as Saturday night, January 18, as the Heppner Mustangs hosted the Wahtonka Eagles.

The Mustangs were 5-22 from the charity stripe as a winnable game got away from them down the stretch and Wahtonka ended up with a 54-43 win.

The Mustangs broke on top and led 15-12 after the first quarter against a big front line that went 6' 5", 6' 4" and 6' 3" for the Eagles. Jeff Watkins scored six of his 10 points in the first stanza against the taller Eagles.

Heppner clung to a 23-22 half-time lead and played very patiently against Wahtonka.

The Eagles had two small runs in the third quarter and led 40-35 entering the last quarter. Midway through the last quarter, Heppner pulled even with Wahtonka. The Eagles hit two baskets and led 47-43 and the Mustangs started to foul. Heppner was particularly bad from the line, hitting only 4-13 in the last quarter from the line.

Jim Schlaich had 13 points and 12 rebounds to pace the Mustangs. Jerid Ployhar had seven rebounds and Eric Schonbachler added six rebounds to go with nine points.

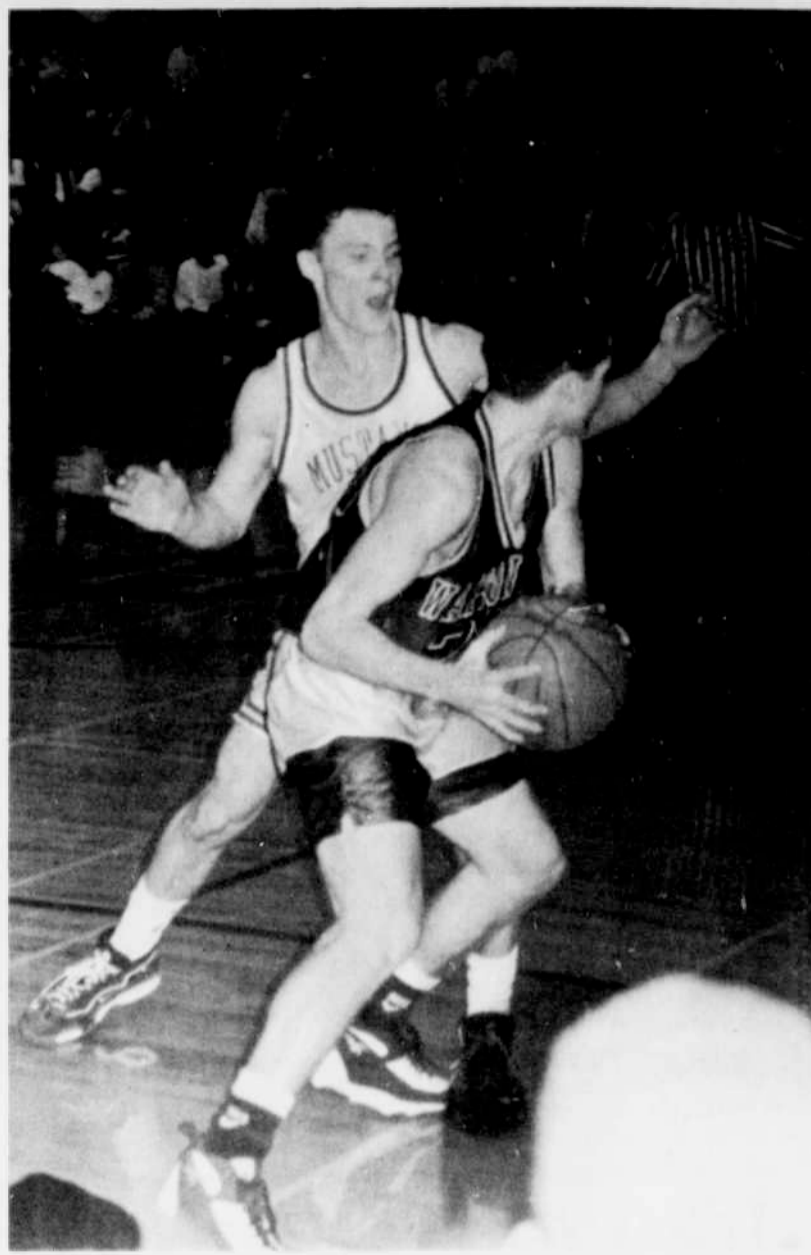
Robert Person and Sam Evans led the Eagles with 14 points each and Josh Ice and Ben Cartwright each had 10 points for the balanced Wahtonka attack.

While it was a frustrating loss, coach Bob Ployhar said, "The kids played hard and executed well, but you can't expect to beat a good team when you only make five of 22 free throws."

The Mustangs were without the service of junior Chris Anthony who broke his collarbone and will be out of action for the remainder of the season.

The loss brings Heppner's league record to 2-2 on the season.

Heppner played Pilot Rock at home on Tuesday night, January 21, a makeup game cancelled because of weather conditions Friday night January 17. They travel to Athena to play the Weston McEwen TigerScots on Friday night, January 24, and host the Stanfield Tigers on Saturday night, January 25.



Eric Schonbachler plays D

photo by Joyce Hughes

Ione VJ girls chalk up a win

By Kara Miller
The Ione JV girls soared into Condon Thursday night, Jan. 14, to once again emerge the victor. The Lady Cards beat the Blue Devils, 46-20.

The young team traveling to Condon included freshmen Sybil Krebs, Nikki McElligott, Camie Burright and Brandi Brantley;

sophomores Tori Odinet and Niki Sullivan (who became sick on the trip and was unable to play); and junior Maci Childers.

The group of girls worked hard getting weak-side rebounds and using the whole floor for offense. Burright had a game-high 22 points, while Condon's Farrar led the Blue Devils with 11.

Mustang girls tether Wahtonka Eagles, 55-35

by Molly Rhea
On Saturday, January 18, the hosting varsity Mustang girls easily tethered the Wahtonka Eagles, 55-35. Due to the ice storm Thursday night this was the only CBC action for the entire weekend.

Coach John Boyer has developed a strong team that enables him substitute freely. It is routine for Heppner's score sheet to list at least seven players scoring. Eight of the ten varsity players contributed with points to Saturday's win.

The first quarter both teams mounted an effective press which had the Mustangs trailing 7-10 at the end of the period. The pressure loosened somewhat during the second and Heppner pulled ahead 24-19 as they headed into the half.

What Coach Boyer told his team during the break worked. For although both teams went back into full court pressure for the third quarter, the Mustang girls' efforts were not hampered and they outscored the Eagles 15-8, to lead at the end of three, 39-27. Heppner used the final quarter to widen the margin, outscoring Wahtonka 16-8, winning the game 55-35.

Stat keepers had Heppner shooting a strong 45 percent from the field. The Mustangs shot six for 12 free throws, while the Eagles made five of 12. In the turnover department, Heppner logged 16 while Wahtonka had 27.

Lori Moeller, Heppner's only senior and a solid team leader, had an outstanding game, leading all scorers with 16 points, eight rebounds, three steals and two assists. Jill Barber scored eight, with two steals, an assist and a board.

Annie Hisler hustled her way to seven points, along with three rebounds, four steals and one assist. Freshman Casey Ingraham got credit for seven points, four rebounds and a steal. Jaci Hughes scrambled to six points, five steals, one assist and one rebound.

Brooke Boyer scored four points, as did Lexi Matteson. Matteson



Jill Barber tries for the steal

photo by Joyce Hughes

also pulled down three rebounds, had three steals and two assists. Janelle Healy scored with a three-point bucket, had four rebounds and a steal. Mindy Binschus pulled down four rebounds, stole the ball twice and had two assists, while Kathleen Greenup contributed to the winning effort

HCC to meet

The Heppner Coordinating Council (HCC) will meet Tuesday, Jan. 28 at 7:30 a.m. at the Heppner Ranger District office. The agenda includes finalizing the update of the Heppner Strategic Plan.

HCC has new leadership: Rollie Marshall was elected chairman and Mike McGuire, vice-chairman.

The public is welcome to attend the meeting

with two rebounds.

Heppner made up Friday's game with Pilot Rock on Tuesday, January 21. On Friday, January 24, the Heppner Mustangs will travel to Athena for the rematch with the Tiger-Scots. Saturday, January 25, Heppner plays host to the Stanfield Tigers.

Earl Norris gets a hole-in-one

Earl Norris made a hole in one at Willow Creek Country Club on January 10 on #9. This is the first hole in one for Norris. His wife, Carol, was playing with him and witnessed the event.

Saturday spaghetti feed at HHS

A spaghetti feed will be held this Saturday, January 25, from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Heppner High School home ec room during the HHS-Stanfield basketball game.

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