

Wilhelm picked for Shrine Team; Grant named coach



Travis Wilhelm

Travis Wilhelm has been named to the East team of the Shrine East-West All-Star Football Game. Wilhelm, a senior at Heppner High School, is the son of Joe and Marina Wilhelm of Heppner.

Wilhelm, 5'10" and 170 pounds, was selected as a running back/strong safety.

Heppner High School football coach Greg Grant has been selected as an assistant coach for the East Team.

Wilhelm is among 120 young men selected for the honor and Grant will join five other coaches for this year's game, which will be held Saturday, August 8, at the Baker City High School stadium.

Players and alternates are selected solely by the coaches and are chosen on a cross sectional basis that considers grade point status, athletic ability, achievement, attitude, personality, civic input and social congeniality, said a Shrine news release. Players and alternates are submitted by their coaches from Class A, AA and AAA league schools. Each team will consist of a 30-player first team and a 30-player alternate squad. Alternate players are moved into the player line-up if a player is disqualified or cannot attend.

The 1997 season produced over \$84 thousand for the Shrine Hospitals for Children. The East-West Game has maintained second place in fund raising in North America. The Portland Shrine Hospital is a research hospital and one of the most active patient hospitals within the 22 facilities operated by the Shrine, according to the release.

Head coach for the East Team will be Harry Hendrick of Caldwell, ID. Assisting him besides Grant will be Curt Shelley of Redmond, Big Sky League.

Head coach for the West Team will be Neil Fuller of Roseburg, Farwest League. His assistants will be Bob Daugherty of Albany, Tri-River League, and Kevin Strasser, Beaverton, Casco League.

Other Columbia Basin Conference first team players selected besides Wilhelm are Jaime Olivera, Umatilla, a 5'11", 185-pound guard/linebacker; and Chris Grimes, Weston-McEwen, a 5'7" 160-pound running back/corner back.

Second team CBC players include: John McBean, Weston-McEwen, a 5'10", 215-pound guard/nose guard; Adam Thorpe, Stanfield, a 6'2", 235-pound tackle; Darren Cranston, Sherman County, a 5'10", 185-pound center/linebacker; and Lino Garza, Umatilla, a 5'11", 230-pound tackle.

Other East Team players are as



Greg Grant

follows:

First team: Wapiti League-Dan Harmon, Imbler, 6', 210 pounds, center/tackle; Christ Stroebel, Joseph, 6'4", 200 pounds, end/defensive end; Pro Escobedo, Nyssa, 6', 190 pounds, running back/linebacker;

Greater Oregon League-Dan Scriver, Baker, 6', 200 pounds, running back/inside linebacker; Joe Ozuna, Vale, 5'11", 235 pounds, offensive line/defensive line; Tyler Malstrom, Ontario, 6', 200 pounds, offensive line/inside linebacker; Mike Peterson, Ontario, 6', 190 pounds, wide receiver/defensive back.

South Cascade-Jeff Scott, Bonanza, QB/S; Charles Kandra, T/LB, and Jamie Ongman, T/T both Lost River, Travis Oliver, Gilchrist, E/DE;

Big Fir-Todd Maurer, Glendale, RB/CB; Ross Rowland, Yoncalla, G/NG;

Big Sky-Kevin Huck, Culver, C/NG; J.C. Udey, Wasco County, RB/LB;

Old Oregon-Jared Lewis, Wallowa, QB/CB;

Skyline-Chris Berg, Rogue River, WR/FS; Dane Williams, South Umpqua, TE/OLB; Brad Kudlac, North Valley, RB/DB; Jamie Galloway, Hidden Valley, FB/DL;

Sky Em-Zach Johnson, Junction City, OL/DL; Bucky Rivera, Marist, QB/DB; Jake Humble, Elmira, RB/ILB;

Capital-Tristan Nichols, Sweet

JVs split over weekend

By Rick Paulius

The Heppner Mustangs JV basketball team split their games last weekend, Jan. 23, beating Pilot Rock, 68-45, and losing 54-47 to the Wahtonka Eagles.

In the game against the Rockets, the Mustangs jumped out to a 17-7 lead after one quarter and extended their lead to 38-24 at halftime. The Mustangs continued their dominance in the second half before winning, 68-45.

Michael Schonbachler led the Mustangs with 14 points, making eight of 11 free throws. Cody Bellamy added 10 points as all the Mustangs scored in the game.

After traveling to Pilot Rock on Friday night, the Mustangs travelled to The Dalles on Saturday, Jan 24 to take on the Wahtonka Eagles.

The Mustangs looked tired as they could muster only four points in the first quarter and trailed, 12-4. Heppner came out in the second quarter pressing and outscored the Eagles, 21-9, to take a 25-21 lead at halftime.

Wahtonka came out hot in the third quarter, outscoring Heppner, 24-12, to take a 45-37 lead entering the fourth quarter. The Mustangs couldn't overcome the deficit and lost, 54-47.

Schonbachler again led the Mustangs in scoring with 12 points. Craig Scott added nine points and Ryan Matteson scored seven points.

Statistics:
Heppner- 17 21 13 17-68
Pilot Rock- 7 17 11 10-45
Heppner: Schonbachler 3 8-11 14, Bellamy 4 1-2 10, Matteson 3 0-0 8, Blake Knowles 3 1-5 7, Kris Paulius 2 2-3 6, Joe Papineau 2 2-6 6, Darrin Ployhar 2 1-5 5, Blas Elguezabal 1 3-4 5, Brian Knowles 1 2-2 4, Scott 0 2-4 2, David Bates 0 1-2 1, 21 23-44 68. Three-point field goals: Matteson two, Bellamy.
Heppner- 4 21 12 10-47
Wahtonka- 12 9 24 9-54
Heppner: Schonbachler 5 2-3 12, Scott 3 2-5 9, Matteson 3 0-0 7, Bellamy 3 0-0 6, Paulius 2 0-0 5, Ployhar 1 0-0 2, Bates 1 0-0 2, Blake Knowles 10-2 2, Elguezabal 1 0-0 2, Brian Knowles, Papineau, 20 4-10 47. Three-point field goals: Blake Knowles 2, Scott, Matteson, Paulius.

Home, RB/OLB; John Justin, Sisters, WR/SS; Jason Lovell, Cascade, QB/OLB; Brian Faulhaber, Molalla, WR/DB.

Alternates:

Wapiti-Mike Cudaback, Nyssa, QB/LB; Ryan Zollman, Enterprise, E/LB; Ethan Miller, Elgin, E/S; Dan Lockett, Pine Eagle, RB/QB/S; Derrick Thornberg, Joseph, T/T;

Greater Oregon-C.J. Kleck, Grant Union, TE/OLB; William Fowler, Ontario, RB/DLB; Jim Wagner, Burns, QB/DB; Brad Jacobs, Vale, RB/OLB;

South Cascade-Nathan Chin, Lost River, QB/CB;

Big Fir-Jeremy Young, Oakland, RB/LB; Chris Van Gundy, Glendale, G/LB;

Big Sky-Levi Overcash, Culver, RB/LB; Ritchie Wallace, Dufur, G/T;

Old Oregon-Brody Anderson, Cove, RB/LB;

Skyline-Eric Esselstrom, QB/FS, Knute Parent, OL/DL, both Phoenix; Mike Champion, North Valley, OL/DL;

Sky Em-John Williams, Elmira, OL/DL; James McClintock, Junction City, PK; Billy Holm, Glide, FB/OLB; Mike Riffle, LaPine, C/DL;

Capital-Jeremy Fitzgerald, Central, RB/DB; Walter Gager, Sisters, OL/DL; Pete Marquez, Woodburn, OL/DL; Steve Tiegs, Stayton, OL/LB.

Mustang JV girls lose to Pilot Rock

By Molly Rhea

The junior varsity Mustang girls blew an 8-1 first quarter lead in Pilot Rock on Friday, January 23, losing 25-33 to the Rocket JVs.

The Rockets blasted in 12 points during the second quarter while holding the Mustangs to three and putting Heppner down 11-13 at the half.

With each team managing to score only six points in the third quarter, the Mustangs continued to trail by two points, 17-19, after three. Pilot Rock outscored Heppner 14-8 in the final period to clinch the win.

Varsity floater Kathleen Greenup scored all eight of the Mustangs' first quarter points and four of the final period's eight, but it wasn't enough to lift Heppner past the Rockets. Macy Rhea and Jessica Maben each pulled down eight rebounds for the Mustangs.

Heppner 8 3 6 8 - 25
Pilot Rock 1 12 6 14 - 33
Heppner (25) Ropp 1 0-0 2, Clough, Pointer 2 0-1 4, Kahl, Rhea 0 0-3 0, Adams 0 0-2 0, Greenup 4 4-7 12, Watkins 0 2-2 2, Papineau 1 1-3 3, Maben 0 2-2 2, Sykes. Totals 8 9-20 25. Three point goals, none. Total fouls 23, fouled out, Greenup.
Pilot Rock (33) Christensen 1 3-6 5, Cribbs 2 4-6 8, Jones, Swanson 1 0-1 2, Kordatzky 1 0-0 2, Harrison 1 2-4 4, G. Thompson 1 0-0 2, Porter, Greene 4 2-4 10, Barkley, D. Thompson 0 0-2 0. Totals 11 11-23 33. Three point goals, none. Total fouls 23, fouled out, Cribbs.

Healy named All-State second team



Jonas Healy Derek Gunderson



Tim Dickenson

Jonas Healy, Heppner High School senior, was named to the Class 2A all state second team in football. Healy, the son of Jerry

and Carmen Healy of Heppner, was selected as an offensive lineman.

Derek Gunderson and Tim Dickenson, both HHS juniors and wide receivers, were named to the third team offense. Gunderson is the son of Dave and Tricia Gunderson, Heppner. Dickenson is the son of Steve and Kathy Dickenson, Heppner.

Other CBC players selected include: Troy Johnson, Umatilla senior, second team wide receiver and third team defensive back; James Baird, Wahtonka junior, second team punter; Chris Grimes, Weston-McEwen senior, third team running back; Luke Scoggins, Sherman County sophomore, kicker; Lino Garza, Umatilla senior, third team defensive lineman; and John McBean, Weston-McEwen senior, third team defensive lineman. No CBC players were named to the all state first team.

McCain 10th in barrel racing

Katie McCain of Condon was ranked number 10 world wide in barrel racing according to a Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association/Women's Professional Rodeo Association news release as of January 20.

McCain had earned \$1,790 as of that date. She had been ranked in seventh place with those earnings as of Jan. 13.

Seth Hopper of Stanfield was ranked fifth in calf roping with \$3,775 in earnings. His earnings were up from \$2,833 and eighth place the previous week. Jeff Coelho, Long Creek, was fourth with \$3,793. He had been in third place the previous week. Standings are unofficial.

Elks Hoop Shoot winners announced

The Heppner Elks Lodge #358 sponsored the local annual Elks hoop shoot on January 18 at Heppner High School. Kids from Heppner, Lexington, Ione, and the surrounding area participated.

Elks hoop shoot Dave Gunderson, commented that this year's turnout was much higher than last year's.

Boys and girls were divided into three separate age groups and each contestant shot 25 free throws. Those making the most baskets will receive a trophy and are eligible to compete at the district hoop shoot which will be held in Hermiston this Saturday, January 31.

Second place winners received an Elks "Say no to drugs" basketball. The colorful purple and white balls were donated by the Heppner Lady Elks. First Lady, Andrea Mortimore, said that left over basketballs may be purchased at the Elks Club for \$10 apiece while supplies last. Additional balls may be ordered if there is enough interest.

Hoop Shoot winners are as follows: 8-9 year old girls-first place Megan Orr, second place Katie Britt; 10-11 year old girls-first place Lindsay Mitchell, second place Shannon Rietmann; 12-13 year old girls-first place Meghan Bailey, second place Marci Miller.

8-9 year old boys-first place Matt McCabe, second place, a tie between Robbie Smith and Nathan Kennedy; 10-11 year old boys-first place Josh Gutierrez, second place, a tie between Jode Coil and Matthew VanCleave; 12-13 year old boys-first place Stefan Matheny, second place Michael McCabe.

Heppner Little League to meet

The annual meeting of the Heppner Little League will be held Thursday, February 5, at 7 p.m. at the Heppner Neighborhood Center.

All adults interested in the operation of Little League, coaching a team and those who have a child who will be playing this spring, should attend.

For more information, call John Murray or Gayle Gutierrez.

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Eight-nine year olds: Robbie Smith (left), Nathan Kennedy



Eight-nine year olds: Matt McCabe (left), Katie Britt, Megan Orr



10-11 year olds: Jode Coil (left), Shannon Rietmann, Josh Gutierrez, Linsey Mitchell. Not pictured, Matthew VanCleave



12-13 year olds: Marci Miller (left), Meghan Bailey, Michael McCabe, Stefan Matheny

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