

IMS/IHS lists spring sports schedule

Following are the track and tennis schedules for Ione high and middle schools:

IMS track-(all meets for IMS are at Umatilla) Friday, April 3, league meet, 1 p.m.; Friday, April 10, Umatilla, 2 p.m.; Friday, April 17, Columbia, 2 p.m.; Friday, April 24, Pilot Rock, 2 p.m.; Friday, May 1, Stanfield/Ione, 2 p.m.; Friday, May 8, UMMSAA, 1 p.m.

IHS track-Friday, March 20, Pilot Rock/Umatilla Invitational at Umatilla, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, April 3, Cherry Festival at The Dalles, 4 p.m.; Tuesday, April 7, Umatilla Meet at Umatilla, 4 p.m.; Saturday, April 11, Umatilla/Heppner Invitational at Umatilla, 11 a.m.; Tuesday, April 14, Umatilla Meet at Umatilla, 4 p.m.; Saturday, April 18, Condon Invitational at Condon, 11 a.m.; Tuesday, April 21, Umatilla Meet at Umatilla, 4 p.m.; Friday, April 24, Umatilla/Stanfield Invitational at Umatilla, 11 a.m.; Tuesday, April 28 Condon Meet at Condon, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 1, Goldendale Invitational at Goldendale, 4 p.m.; Saturday, May 9, Big Sky/CBC at Condon, 11 a.m.; Friday and Saturday, May 15-16, District at The Dalles, 3 p.m. and 12 noon.

IHS tennis-(both boys and girls' teams unless otherwise noted) Thursday, March 19, Helix at Helix, 3:30 p.m.; Friday, March 20, Wahtonka girls at Wahtonka, 3 p.m.; Tuesday, March 31, Condon at Ione, 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 7, Riverside at Riverside, 4:30 p.m.; Friday, April 10, Echo at Ione, 2 p.m.; Saturday, April 11, Helix Invitational at Blue Mountain Community College, 9 a.m.; Tuesday, April 14, Condon at Condon, 3:30 p.m.; Friday, April 17, Helix at

Mustang varsity boys lose final game of season

By Rick Paulus

The Heppner Mustang varsity boys lost their final basketball game of the year to the visiting Stanfield Tigers, 79-58, on Saturday, Feb. 21.

The Tigers took control from the start, jumping out to an 8-1 lead. Casey Evans hit a three-point field goal to cut the lead to 12-11 before the Tigers scored six straight to lead 18-11 after one quarter.

The Tigers increased their lead to 40-27 at the end of two as Kain Alarcon hit a long three-pointer at the buzzer. Alarcon finished with 16 first half points.

The Tigers continued to control the game in the third and led 58-43 at the end of the quarter.

In the fourth quarter, consecutive baskets by Chris Anthony and Tim Dickenson pulled the Mustangs to 65-51 before the Tigers' Gabe Wells scored seven straight points to make it 72-51. The rest of the game was a rough and tumble affair as both teams' benches played most of the way. The Tigers' Aaron McFarland hit a three-pointer at the buzzer to make the final score 79-58 in favor of Stanfield.

The loss dropped the Mustangs to 3-9 in the Columbia Basin Conference and 6-16 for the year.

Dickenson led the Mustangs with 17 points, including seven of eight free throws. The lone senior on the team, Anthony, was next with 12 points. Evans chipped in with 11 points, including a three-pointer.

The Tigers were led by Alarcon's 23 points, including four three-pointers. Corey Sherman finished with 20 points.

Statistics:
Heppner: 11 16 16 15 - 58
Stanfield: 18 22 18 21 - 79
Heppner: Dickenson 5 7-8 17, Anthony 5 2-2 12, Evans 4 2-2 11, Jared Eckman 2 2-4 6, Derek Gunderson 2 1-3 5, Ryan Matteson 1 0-0 3, Blas Elguezabal 1 0-0 2, David Bates 0 1-2 1, Blake Knowles 0 1-2 1, Shane Matheny, Brian Knowles. Totals: 25 16-23 58. Three-point field goals: Evans, Matteson.

Stanfield: Alarcon 8 3-5 23, Sherman 8 3-4 20, Wells 3 3-6 9, Graham 4 0-0 8, Pearson 3 1-1 7, Baros 1 0-0 3, McFarland 1 0-0 3, Shihaneek 0 2-2 2, Green 0 2-4 2, Veliz 0 1-5 1, Abercrombie 0 1-4 1, Blankenship 0 0-0 0. Totals: 28 16-35 79. Three-point field goals: Alarcon (4), Sherman, Baros, McFarland.

4-H News

By Heather Yocom

The "Critters With Attitude" club had their second meeting on February 8, and elected officers. Elected president was Shantea Macaulay, vice president Nicki Wilson. Secretary is Jessica Wainwright, reporters are Heather Yocom and Liz Orwick.

The club decided on a fund raiser for the building at the fairgrounds. The club chose to do money jars in businesses, each member will be responsible for a jar. The club asks the community to put their spare change in one of the jars.

Skill center ESL classes changed

Morrow County Skills Center in Irrigon announces a change in open hours for the English as a Second Language classes. Open hours are now 5-8 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday. Classes are held at the Irrigon Learning Center at 240 West South Main.

A grand opening and open house will be held at the Irrigon center on Friday, Feb. 27 from 10 a.m.-12 noon. The public is invited to visit the new facility. Class registration may also be done at that time.

Chemical awareness class scheduled

The Oregon Department of Health will sponsor another chemical awareness class for the public Thursday, February 26, at 7 p.m. at the National Guard Armory in Hermiston.

The class will be taught by Tom Hart of the Department of Health in an on-going public awareness effort to educate the public on the kinds of chemical weapons that are stored at the Umatilla Chemical Depot. The general public is invited to attend.

County officials meet with FEMA

Morrow County officials are optimistic after meeting with James Lee Witt, director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, concerning response capabilities in the "unlikely event" of a chemical release at the Umatilla Chemical Depot.

Morrow County Judge Louis Carlson, Boardman Mayor Terry Tallman and Irrigon Mayor Don Eppenbach met with Witt on February 9. They discussed county specific issues concerning the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP).

"There seems to be a new attitude towards the program. They are willing to speed up the process of getting Oregon State the equipment it needs," said Eppenbach.

Several issues were discussed including the status of tone alert radios, sirens and decibel ratings, personal protective equipment, monitoring equipment, and decontamination trailers and tow vehicles.

The tone alert radio system contract is still under review at the state level and request for proposals has not been advertised. Funding was authorized for 17,000 units including installation for residents in the immediate response zone. Additional radios will be requested for the eastern outskirts of Boardman. Tone alert radios would be located in occupied structures (homes,

businesses, offices, churches, schools, etc) and would provide emergency information to residents living closest to the Umatilla Chemical Depot.

The alert notification system is being evaluated to determine the effectiveness of sirens located in communities near the depot, and whether some sirens need to be relocated or added.

Representatives from Morrow and Umatilla County are requesting the purchase of a monitoring system that would detect the presence of chemical warfare agents. Emergency response personnel would like an opportunity to test a specific monitoring kit for effectiveness and reliability. A proposal would then be sent by the counties to the regional CSEPP office detailing the use, purpose, and capabilities of the requested monitoring equipment. If the proposal is approved, six or eight of these kits would be purchased at \$15,000 each.

There was considerable

discussion about the status of personal protective equipment for first responders. Concerns were raised about what type of suit first responders should wear and the necessity for monitoring in order to use protective suits that were recently purchased.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has promised to provide tow vehicles for the decontamination trailers. The vehicles will be obtained through either Army surplus or by a new purchase. The deadline for the acquisition is set for May 1.

State and county officials have until February 27 to submit a list of specific needs concerning CSEPP to Witt. Witt promised to respond to those needs within thirty days.

"I am optimistic and feel we accomplished something positive. But final results and meeting time lines are the ultimate measures of whether this meeting was successful or not," said Tallman.

ESD Board Vacancy

Persons living in Umatilla or Morrow counties, interested in serving on the Umatilla-Morrow Education Service District Board of Directors, please contact Susan Laird, 2001 SW Nye, Pendleton, or call 276-6616, for an application. This position will run through June 30, 1999. Applications must be received in the ESD office by 4:30 p.m. on March 11, 1998.

GOOD LUCK AT DISTRICT MUSTANGS!

Heppner Mustangs vs. Weston-McEwen Tiger-Scots
Friday, February 27 at 7 p.m. at the Pendleton Convention Center



Heppner Mustangs: L-R (top)-Coach John Boyer, Mindy Binschus, Casey Ingraham, Lexi Matteson, Jessica Maben, Petra Elguezabal, manager Jim Fichter; (middle L-R) Maci Childers, Jill Barber, Annie Hisler, Janelle Healy, Brooke Boyer; (bottom L-R) Jaci Hughes, Kathleen Greenup

The following businesses and individuals say "GOOD LUCK" Mustangs!

Murray Drugs, John and Ann Heppner Gazette-Times
Dave, April, Chris, Andy, Allison and Camille Sykes
Joyce, Trent and Jaclynn Hughes
Ron, Maryanne, Christopher, Nicholas and Logan Anthony
Central Red Apple Market
Bill, Penni and Miles Karwacki
Jerry, Carmen, Joseph, Jonas, Janelle Healy and Grandma & Grandpa
Greg, Janet, Sara, Kathleen and Kelsey Greenup
Mike, Tonia, Trisha and Brad Adams
Delbert, Nola, Mindy Binschus and Alena, Scottie & Jordan Phillips
John, Kelly, Brooke and Tyler Boyer
Van Marter and Kahl Insurance
Coast to Coast
Green Feed and Seed, Mike Proctor Family

Klamath First Federal Bank-Heppner Branch
Lott's Electric
Kenny, Judy, Jared, Sara and Brent Eckman
Peterson's Jewelers
Morrow County Grain Growers
Ployhar Insurance
D & L Auto Parts
Tim, Kathy, Jennifer, Bobbie and Tracey Rankin
Bank of Eastern Oregon, Member FDIC
Les Schwab Tire Center-Heppner
Larry and Betty Mills
Dale and Linda Conklin
Miller's Mini-Mart
Cal's Service Center, Cal and Bev
Pat, Trish, Corey, Nicole, Cameron and Brooke Sweeney
Kinzua Resources, LLC
Willow Lanes and Willow Lanes Cafe
Rollie, Debbie, Kristen and Brandi Marshall
Gardner's Men's Wear

Morrow County Abstract and Title
Columbia Basin Electric Co-op
Gary, Barb, Jeff and Julie Watkins
Chuck, Sherry, Justin, Lexi, Ryan and Lacey Matteson
Don, Tami, Jeff, Genny and Amanda Sneddon
Mark, Cathie, Donnie and Kim Pointer
Harvey, Bobbi, Maci and Kacy Childers
Karen, Stephanie and Lindsey Clough
Bill, Merilee and Danielle McDowell
Shoe Box, Talk 'N' Tops, Fabrics, Etc.
Steve, Kathi, Chris, Traci and Tim Dickenson
Kuhn, Spicer and Mills
Jim, Susie, Lindsey and Ashley Ward
Stor-4-U
Devin Oil Co., Dick and Joe
Lexington Machine Works, Al and Jean Brazell
Juan and MaryAnn Elguezabal & Family
Court Street Market