

East wins fourth straight Shrine game Grant coaches; Wilhelm plays on team



Travis Wilhelm

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The East entered the 1998 East-West Shrine All-Star Football Game with a highly-touted passing game. And, when the lights were turned out in Bulldog Memorial Stadium Saturday evening, the West had found out why.

Five East quarterbacks combined to complete 24 of 44 passes for 387 yards and four touchdowns to hand the West a 34-6 defeat in the 46th annual classic held to raise money for the Shriners Hospital for Children in Portland.

Marist's Bucky Rivera and Ontario's Mike Peterson did most of the damage for the East. Rivera drew the starting assignment and completed 14 of 24 passes for 208 yards and one touchdown.

Peterson, the Class 3A player of the year while leading Ontario to the state championship, completed 2 of 2 passes for 73 yards and a pair of scores. Peterson, who spent most of the evening at a receiver position, also caught eight passes for 90 yards.

North Valley's Brad Kudlac was the East's big-play receiver, snaring three passes for 113 yards and two touchdowns.

The East used a bit of razzle dazzle to score its first touchdown with 5:47 left in the first quarter.

Facing a third-and-8 on the West 27, Rivera took the snap and handed the ball off to Kudlac sweeping to the left end. Kudlac in turn handed the ball to Peterson going the other way on a reverse.

But, the trickery didn't stop there. Peterson spotted South Umpqua's Dane Williams down field and fired a 27-yard TD strike. Jeff Scott of Bonanza added the conversion kick.

The East's second score, with 2:18 left in the first period, also came on an apparent fluke play.

After recovering a West fumble on the East 42, the East needed just five plays to score.

This time, Peterson found Kudlac on a 46-yard TD aerial. Kudlac took the ball in stride on the left sideline, broke two tackles while cutting across the field and scooted in for the score.

Ironically, the pass wasn't intended for Kudlac. Peterson actually was throwing the ball to Baker tight end Dan Scrivner, who was also open about five yards in front of Kudlac. But the ball sailed over Scrivner's head and into Kudlac's hands.

"I think it was supposed to have been for me," Scrivner said moments later on the sidelines, confirming what an East assistant coach told him as the offense came off the field.

"That's OK, we scored. That's the main thing," Scrivner said. The conversion kick was missed, leaving the East on top 13-0.

The East increased its lead to 21-0 with 3:36 left in the first half, and again Peterson played a key role.

After taking over on its own 49, the East mounted a 10-play scoring drive.



Greg Grant

Peterson did the honors on a 1-yard plunge which wasn't as easy as it might sound. Sliding in at quarterback, Peterson first bounced off a pack of players in the center of the line. He then rolled off the pack and dove into the end zone off right tackle. Jared Lewis of Wallowa scored the two-point conversion on a fake PAT kick.

The West mounted its lone scoring drive following the ensuing kickoff. Starting on its own 29 the West needed 12 plays to score.

Santiam's Aaron Thomas did the honors on a 2-yard run up the middle. Thomas appeared to be stopped twice, but second and third effort produced the points.

The scoring drive was sparked by Regis quarterback Bart Bishop who completed 5 of 7 passes for 53 yards.

The East struck quickly to open the second half, scoring seven plays into the third quarter.

On the scoring play, Rivera found Kudlac in stride wide open in the center of the field for a 42-yard TD connection. Kudlac took the pass over his shoulder without breaking stride and raced untouched to the end zone. Scott's PAT kick boosted the East up 28-6.

The East finished the scoring with 2:68 left in the game when Scott found Sweet Home's TNT Nichols with a 3-yard scoring toss.

The East finished the game with 440 yards total offense, the West 395.

J.C. Udey of South Wasco County was the East's top rusher with 31 yards on six carries.

Matt Benjamin of Tillamook led the West ground game with 84 yards on 13 carries.

Caleb Robbins of Douglas completed 6 of 11 passes for 97 yards for the West. Bishop was 9 of 23 for 96 yards. Tony Carley of Monroe caught six passes for 77 yards.

The win was the fourth straight and fifth in the past six games—the teams tied in 1994 for the East which now leads the overall series 22-21-3.

Travis Wilhelm was Heppner High School's delegate to the game and Greg Grant, Heppner High School teacher and football coach, was assistant coach for the East.

"It was a fantastic week spent with quality kids," said Grant. "It was even more fun when they all played so well and experienced so much success. Travis made several tackles defensively at strong safety and outside linebacker positions."

"It's a neat experience for a coach to get to coach kids from all over," added Grant. "I know I'll run into them later in life."

West: 0, 6, 0, 0 - 6

East: 13, 8, 7, 6 - 34

E-Dane Williams 27 pass from Mike Peterson (Jeff Scott kick);

E-Brad Kudlac 46 pass from Peterson (Kick failed);

E-Peterson 1 run (Jared Lewis kick);

W-Aaron Thomas 2 run (Kick failed);

E-Kudlac 42 pass from Bucky Rivera (Scott kick);

E-TNT Nichols 3 pass from Scott (Kick failed).

West: first downs 25; rushing yards 45-192; passing yards 203;

total yards 395; passing 16-41-2; fumbles-lost 4-3; punts avg. 6-

34.8; penalties-yards 7-50.

East: first downs 19; rushing yards 30-53; passing yards 387;

total yards 440; passing 24-44-0; fumbles-lost 3-3; punts avg. 4-

48.8; penalties-yards 8-62

Individual stats: rushing-West:

Benjamin 13-84, Robbins 12-43,

Gerry 10-36, Thomas 5-13,

Mallman 2-11, Adamek 1-5,

Bishop 2-0, East: Udey 6-31,

Peterson 8-26, Nichols 4-11,

Kudlac 1-10, Escobedo 2-5,

Callaway 2-(-1), Grimes 1-(-2),

Wilhelm 2-(-3), Lovell 1-(-8),

Rivera 3-(-16).

Passing: West-Bishop 9-23-0-

96, Robbins 6-11-1-97, Mallman

1-7-1-10, East-Rivera 14-24-0-

208, Scott 5-10-0-81, Peterson

2-2-0-73, Lovell 3-7-0-25,

Lewis 0-1-0-0.

Receiving: West-Carley 6-77,

Gerry 3-48, Thornton 3-32,

Schmidlin 1-18, Kellow 1-18,

Badgley 1-16, Thomas 1-(-6),

East-Peterson 8-90, Lewis 4-26,

Kudlac 3-113, Williams 2-33,

Berg 1-52, Faulhaber 1-24,

Maurer 1-22, Grimes 1-18,

Oliver 1-7, Nichols 1-3, Udey 1-

(-1).

Interceptions: West-none. East-

Udey, Rivera.

School is just right around the corner

School is just around the corner, with the first day of school for Morrow County students set for Monday, August 31.

Starting times: School starts at 7:54 and ends at 3:33 p.m. for Heppner Elementary and Heppner High School students, with the exception of kindergarten through second graders who are dismissed at 3 p.m. HJH/HHS students will meet in the gym the first day of school for an introductory assembly before a modified schedule.

School begins at 8 a.m. and ends at 3:32 p.m. at **Ione Elementary** and **Ione Junior/Senior High** except for kindergarten through second graders who are dismissed at 3 p.m.

Heppner and Ione K-second grade students who take the bus home have recess as usual until the bus arrives.

Lunches: Lunches will be \$1.50 for children in kindergarten through sixth grade; \$1.75 for seventh-12th graders; and \$2.50 for adults. Breakfast is \$1 for students and \$1.25 for adults.

Heppner schools registration and fees: Registration at HHS grades seven-12 will be Monday and Tuesday, August 24-25, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Schedules may be picked up, fees paid and locker combinations tried. Fees are as follows: seventh-eighth grade: student body fee-\$9, computer lab fee-\$5, towel fee-\$2, and yearbook (optional)-\$16; ninth-12 grade: student body fee-\$11, computer lab fee-\$5, towel fee-\$2, and yearbook (optional)-\$25. There is no supply list for junior high and high school students other than pen, paper and pencil.

The HHS student council members will offer tours of the high school on Tuesday, August 24, from 10 a.m. to noon. Registration at Heppner Elementary School will be on the first day of school, August 31. There will be a \$3 student body fee at HES.

Ione Schools registration and fees: Students are encouraged to register prior to the first day of school at Ione Schools. Fees for sixth-12th grade students in Ione

include an \$8 student body fee, a \$2 towel fee for students turning out for sports and an optional \$20 for students wishing to purchase yearbooks.

Sports physicals: Physicals are required for sixth graders, sophomores and new students at Ione; and seventh graders, sophomores and new students at Heppner.

Pay to Play: There is a pay to participate fee of \$50 per athlete, per sport, which is due before the first game at all schools.

Daily doubles: Daily doubles at **Ione High School** will begin Monday, August 24. Girls turning out for Cardinal volleyball will meet the first day at 6 p.m. and will work out a practice schedule from there. The first volleyball game is at home Friday, September 4, at 5 p.m. against Spray. The coach is Charity McElligott. Assistant coach is Cathy McCabe.

Football daily doubles will begin Monday, August 24, at 7:30 a.m. Coach is Robin Graff. The first football game will also be at home Friday, September 4, against Spray. Kickoff is a 7:30 p.m.

Practice for **Ione Junior High School** sports will begin Tuesday, September 1, after school.

Daily doubles at **Heppner**

High School will also begin Monday, August 24. Football daily doubles will be Monday and Tuesday, August 24 and 25, at 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. with further

practice times to be scheduled later. Football equipment may be picked up during daily doubles. Coach is Greg Grant. The first football game will be Friday, September 4, at Scio with the junior varsity playing at 4:30 p.m. and the varsity at 7:30 p.m.

Volleyball daily doubles will be Monday and Tuesday, August 24-25 from 9-11 a.m. and 5:30-7:30 p.m. The remainder of the practices will be scheduled at that time. A parent meeting is planned for Tuesday, August 25, at 5 p.m. in the HHS home ec room. Coach is Terri Gentry. The first game will be varsity only at the Riverside tournament Saturday, September 12, at 10 a.m. at Boardman. The first regular game, with C-team, varsity and junior varsity games played in that order, will be at home against Ione on Tuesday, September 15, beginning at 5 p.m.

Practice for **Heppner Junior High School** sports, grades seven-eight, will begin after school starts.

Yearbook signing: Annual signing for **Ione Schools** has not yet been set.

Yearbook signing for **HHS grades seven-12** will be held on Monday, August 1, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the cafeteria.

Homecoming: Homecoming week at **Ione High School** will be set after August 28.

Homecoming week at **Heppner High School** will be September 21-26. The date of the dance has not yet been set.

Wedding Tables

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