

## Mustang rally falls short at Scio

by Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustangs traveled to Scio on Friday, Sept. 4, to open the 1998 season and came up short to the second-ranked team in the state by a score of 24-21.

The Loggers, benefitting from three Mustang turnovers and a lateral out of bounds for a safety, took a 16-0 lead into the locker room at halftime. The Mustangs rallied in the second half, outscoring the Loggers 21-8 but just came up a yard short on fourth down with :39 left.

The Mustangs kicked off and held Loggers at midfield and forced a punt. Derek Gunderson took the punt at his own three yard line and returned it 40 yards to give the Mustangs a good field position. Shane Matheany ran 10 yards on third down to give the Mustangs a first down at the 40 yard line of Scio. An interception on the next play gave the ball to Scio at their own 41.

The Loggers took advantage of the turnover and drove the ball down the field capped by a three-yard touchdown run by Brian Silbernagel. Kyle Braa ran in the two-point conversion to give Scio an 8-0 lead with 7:36 left in the first half.

On the Mustangs' next possession a fumble gave the ball back to Scio at the 47 of Heppner. The Mustangs' defense held and forced a punt, taking over at their own six yard line. A pass behind the line of scrimmage sailed out of bounds in the end zone for a safety to give Scio a 10-0 lead with 4:09 left.

The Loggers returned the kick to the Heppner 37 yard line and marched down the field with Silbernagel scoring on a one yard run. The PAT failed and Scio led 16-0 with 1:43 left.

An interception on Heppner's next possession ended the first half with Scio holding a 16-0 lead.

After trading possessions, the Mustangs took over at their own 17 yard line. After a short gain Michael Schonbachler gained 12

yards to the 30. Ryan Matteson passed to Gunderson for 25 more yards. Schonbachler ran for eight yards and Matheny kept on the option for 18 more yards. Schonbachler picked up three and then 14 more down to the four yard line. Levi Geer then took it in for the Mustangs' first touchdown of the season. Blake Knowles kicked the extra point to cut the score to 16-7 with 2:24 left in the third quarter.

After an unsuccessful onside kick, a fumble on the Loggers' first play gave the Mustangs a first down at their own 44. A Schonbachler run of five yards on third down gave the Mustangs a first down at Scio's 43. Matheny kept the ball around end for 11 yards and Schonbachler picked up eight more to get the Mustangs' to the 25 of Scio. On the first play of the fourth quarter Matteson hit Tim Dickenson for a 25-yard touchdown pass. Knowles tacked on the PAT and Scio led 16-14 with 11:55 left in the game.

The Loggers then drove down the field and Silbernagel scored his third touchdown of the game on a one-yard run. Dennis Jackson ran in the conversion and Scio led 24-14 with 7:21 left. The Mustangs took over at their own 23 after the kick-off. Matteson then hit Dickenson for 29 yards and a first down. Geer took off down the sideline on the next play for 47 yards to the three. On fourth and inches Geer then punched it in for the touchdown. Knowles was perfect with the PAT and with 4:05 left the lead was cut to 24-21.

After an onside kick failed, Scio took over at the 49 of the Mustangs. The Mustangs held on downs and took over at their own 23 with 1:53 left.

Matheny hit Gunderson for 32 yards on a screen pass to move the ball into Scio territory. Matheny hit Gunderson for eight yards on a fourth and five with :47 left. The Mustangs were unable to pick up another first down as Matheny was hit just short on fourth down and Scio

## Mustang Jvs open with win over Scio

by Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang J.V. Football team opened their 1998 season with a 16-14 win over the Scio Loggers in a two-quarter game.

Scio scored first; their first possession after a blocked punt gave them the ball at Heppner's 21 yard line. The extra point try failed and Scio led 6-0 early.

The Mustangs took the kick-off and behind the hard running of Craig Scott and Michael McCabe drove the ball down the field. A 20-yard Stefan Matheny to Joe Papineau pass reception set up a four yard McCabe touchdown run. Matheany ran around right end for the conversion and an 8-6 Heppner lead with 4:27 left in the first quarter.

Scio came back and scored on a three-yard run. After the Loggers tacked on the PAT they led 14-8 with 10:00 left.

The Mustangs came right back and on a third down and 12 got a 25-yard gain on a pass from Matheny to Nick Anthony to keep the drive alive.

McCabe gained 15 yards on the next play to give Heppner a first down at the 11 yard line. McCabe then went the final 11 yards to tie the game at 14-14. A McCabe conversion run gave the Mustangs a 16-14 lead with 7:09 left.

The Mustang defense held the Loggers at their own 25 yard line and took over on downs with 1:12 left and ran out the clock to take the win.

The J.V.'s next game will be Sept. 14 at Wahtonka.

## BEO sponsors student workshop

600 student leaders from around the state recently attended the Oregon Association of Student Councils Summer Leadership Workshops with the help of the Independent Community Banks of Oregon.

This marks the seventh year they have sponsored the workshops, which have provided leadership training to high school and middle school students for over 20 years. The theme for this year's workshops was 'Soaring to New Heights.'

The two high school workshops, held at Willamette University in Salem, offered sessions on communication, organization and time management, goal setting and project planning. Students learned about an anti-violence project that they can implement in their schools and communities. They also planned projects that focused on community service, recognition and building pride in their school. John Holloway, CEO of Northern Bank of Commerce, spoke to students regarding the value of leadership skills in a

business setting. The middle school workshop, held at Aldersgate Conference Center near Salem, offered young leaders an opportunity to learn new leadership skills through activity-based learning sessions. In addition, students listened to a variety of guest speakers.

ICBO has 47 member banks around the state. Bank of Eastern Oregon, which serves the Heppner, Lexington and Ione area, helped co-sponsor.

took over with :35 left.

The defense was led by Geer with 25 points and Jared Eckman with 18. Dickenson had 15, Casey Evans, 12 and Matheny had 11.

The offense was led by Geer with 10 carries for 78 yards and two touchdowns. Schonbachler picked up 60 yards on nine carries and Matheny gained 57 yards on six carries.

Matheny was two for five for 40 yards and Matteson was four of nine for 71 yards and a touchdown passing. Each had one interception.

Gunderson led the receivers with three receptions for 65 yards. Dickenson had two receptions for 54 yards and a touchdown.

The Mustangs return to action on Friday, Sept. 11, as Umatilla comes to Heppner for a non-league game at 7:30 p.m. The game will be preceded by the Heppner Colts against Umatilla at 5:30 p.m.

Heppner- 0-0-7-14 21  
Scio 0-16-0-8 24

### Rushing

Heppner- Levi Geer 10-78, Michael Schonbachler 9-60, Shane Matheny 6-57, Derek Gunderson 2-7, Ryan Matteson 3-6.  
Scio- Silbernagel 22-100, Jackson 15-67, Braa 8-34, Mike Childress 6-25, Casey Childress 4-4, Holzhauser 1-(-7)

### Passing

Heppner- Ryan Matteson 4-9-1-71, Matheny 2-5-1-40  
Scio- Holzhanzer 0-2-0-0

### Receiving

Heppner - Gunderson 3-65, Tim Dickenson 2-54, Matheny 1-3

## Weather Report

By the City of Heppner

For the month of August				
	High	Low	Precip.	
8/1	78	59	.01	
8/2	88	55	.00	
8/3	94	55	.00	
8/4	103	64	.00	
8/5	108	71	.00	
8/6	94	57	.00	
8/7	88	52	.00	
8/8	87	52	.00	
8/9	91	53	.00	
8/10	93	53	.00	
8/11	92	58	.00	
8/12	93	59	.00	
8/13	95	60	.00	
8/14	99	63	.00	
8/15	97	59	.00	
8/16	85	50	.00	
8/17	74	45	.00	
8/18	76	45	.00	
8/19	78	45	.00	
8/20	83	53	.00	
8/21	84	55	T	
8/22	86	52	.00	
8/23	87	52	.01	
8/24	70	46	.00	
8/25	80	50	.00	
8/26	84	51	.00	
8/27	83	51	.00	
8/28	91	54	.00	
8/29	98	54	.00	
8/30	95	52	.00	
8/31	93	56	.00	

## Johnny Eubanks celebrates 88th

Johnny Eubanks celebrated his 88th birthday with a barbecue at Anson Wright park over the Labor Day weekend.

Mike Hedman, a two time winner of lamb cook-off contests, barbecued lamb steaks.

Others helping Eubanks celebrate were his wife, Mildred, daughter Sandra Dooney, grandson Casey Rodriguez, brother bill Eubanks, Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Hedman, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie McCabe, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Hedman and family, Alan Fortenberry and Lillian Boyce.

## VB team looks to be strong contender

By Molly Rhea

The Heppner Mustang volleyball team looks to be a strong contender again this year with six returning varsity and a strong group of juniors to round out the varsity roster.

"The team has good depth and experience," commented varsity coach, Terri Gentry. This will be Gentry's 14th year as head coach of the Mustang squad. In 1997 the Mustangs advanced to the 2A State Tournament where they earned a fourth-place finish and

## Still openings at workshop

A few openings are still available for the oil painting workshop planned Sept. 24, 25 and 26 with Bob Walton instructor.

Walton, who has painted well-known murals in Toppensish, WA, will show students how to create a panoramic picture using two canvasses. Most of Walton's work is done with a pallet knife.

Both day and evening classes are available.

The class is sponsored by the Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts Club.

Anyone interested in attending may call Betty Mills, 676-5546, for more information.

## Community Choir to begin season

The fourteenth season of the South Morrow Community Choir will begin on Monday, Sept. 14 at the Heppner High School music room from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Rehearsals will start right at 5:30 p.m. every Monday.

The director for the group is Deborah Wryn, Ione, and the accompanist is Debbie Basile, Heppner.

This year, the group is planning two concerts in conjunction with the Willow Creek Symphony, now under the direction of Ralph Werner. The dates of the concerts have been set for Sunday, December 6 and Sunday, April 25.

Music this fall will have a Christmas theme with selections that are variations of traditional songs as well as some new works, say Wryn. In keeping with a tradition that started several years ago, the finale will be a combined effort from both groups.

Wryn says the group welcomes all who enjoy singing and like to meet new people. "As always, new faces become familiar ones over time," she said. "The only requirements are to enjoy singing, participate in rehearsals, and learn to appreciate many styles of music."

Those who would like to join, but cannot be at the first rehearsal should call Wryn at 422-7017 or Shirley Palmer. 676-9730. "We hope to see new faces as well as the old crowd," added Wryn.

the sportsmanship award.

This year the junior varsity team will be coached by Jean Strange. The JV team went undefeated last year and will continue to be tough this year with a strong junior nucleus.

"This team is full of talent and a blast to work with," says Strange. Strange's previous coaching experience has been at the junior high level.

Dana Reid is again coaching the "C" team which is composed of an athletic group of sophomores and freshmen. This team has plans to "whip up on" the other C teams in the district.

The JV and C teams travel to

LaGrande on Friday, September 11, to kick off the Mustang 1998 volleyball season. The varsity team will participate in the Riverside Tournament in Boardman on Saturday, September 12.

The first home games will be September 15 and 17, against Ione and Condon, respectively.

Sports fans be advised, the order of the games will be different this year with the C team starting the action, followed by the varsity and finally the junior varsity will play. This game order will allow junior varsity players that float onto the varsity team adequate playing time.

## Willow Creek Road report

The U.S. Dept. of Transportation lists its planned construction activities on Willow Creek Road for the week of Monday, Sept. 7:

On Sept. 8, Tidewater started working with a waiver from the USDA Forest Service for the Level IV fire rating, that allows certain activities and limits other activities. They are continuing to work on the cut slopes above Smith Ditch and building the subgrade with some of the material from these cut slopes. They are hauling waste material to the waste sites established on the FS 5350 road and to private property near the end of the project. They are utilizing excavators and cat wagons to move the waste material, so drivers in the area, please observe the flaggers and remember that they are there to help you and the operators of the equipment.

They have a culvert crew continuing to place culverts, throughout the project. Emergency access through the project will be maintained throughout the rest of the construction season. They are also continuing to drill in preparation of doing some rock blasting near the middle of this work week. Please be aware that

there will be some blasting prior to 1 p.m. The exact date and time has not been finalized.

Willow Creek Road (Coal Mine Grade) is closed to through traffic from Cutsforth Park to the intersection of Forest Service roads 5350 and 53. This intersection will remain open, to the logging contractor only, for the removal of timber sale material. The FS 21 Road, Penland Lake Road intersection will remain open during construction activities, controlled with flaggers.

Willow Creek Road remains open, to local traffic only, to

Cutsforth Park. The park will remain open through the construction season.

The Willow Creek road closure will continue through Oct. 9, 1998. The detour route through the Shaw Creek Road to the four corners to Penland Lake and Ukiah is open for all traffic. Additional temporary signs have been placed for Penland Lake access.

Please watch for logging truck traffic and observe the warning signs, including the speed limit, on the detour route and observe the barricades at both ends of the construction zone. Please have a safe summer and remember that the barricaded road closures are for the traveling public's safety.

For more information, contact Robert G. Toops, project engineer, at 676-5904 in Heppner for additional information.

We make Posters Gazette-Times

**MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL**

Big Screen TV  
Hot Dogs - \$1  
Chili Dogs - \$1.75  
Raffles for FREE PRIZES  
Football Board

**BUCKNUM'S TAVERN**  
HEPPNER

FUN STARTS AT 5:00 P.M.



## Fort Henrietta Days

at Echo, Oregon ~ September 12 & 13

Saturday, September 12th	11:30 a.m.
7:00 a.m.	Rendezvous Camp Activities begin
VFW Breakfast at the VFW Hall	5:30 p.m.
7:15 a.m.	Entertainment in the Park closes
Run Registration at the Park	<b>Sunday, September 13th</b>
8:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.
Fun Run	VFW Giant Yard Sale opens on Main St.
Craft Market street vendors open	9:30 a.m.
9:00 a.m.	Craft Market, Street Vendors
Art and Quilt Show open (closed during parade)	Frying Pan Throw*
Pie Sale at the Fire Hall	10:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.	Tomahawk Throw*
Pre-parade entertainment on Main St.	11:00 a.m.
Chinese House Railroad Museum open (closed for parade)	11:15 a.m.
9:30-10 a.m.	Fire Start*
Scarecrow Contest registration	11:40 a.m.
10:00 a.m.	Boys Spear Throw*
Parade	12:15 p.m.
10:30 a.m.	Kids Bean Spitting Contest*
VFW Giant Yard Sale Mercantile, Main St.	12:40 p.m.
Face Painting at Jull's Beauty Shop, Main St.	Best Camp Award*
10:40 a.m.	1:00 p.m.
Vintage Clothing Show at the Park	Children's Pet Show/Parade
Historical Museum opens	Historical Museum open
Baked Food and Bazaar at the VFW Hall	2:00 p.m.
11:15 a.m.	Raffle Drawing (after Pet Parade)
Entertainment in the Park all afternoon	



Sponsors: AmeriTitle, Anderson Perry and Assoc., Inc., Blue Mountain Asphalt, Coca-Cola, Coast to Coast, Eagle Ranch, Echo Grocery, Echo Hills Golf Course, Graybeal Distributing, Hale Farms, Inland Empire Bank, J.R. Simplot, Inc., Madison Farms, Power and Light, Pendleton Flour Mills, Universal Realty, Sanitary Disposal, Simmons Agency, Spike Ranches, Wildhorse Gaming Resort.

Displays: Floral at the Museum and Chinese House; Antique Quilt top/signature block display at the Masonic Lodge; Scarecrow Display on Main St.; Blackpowder Rendezvous

## Let's Party!

Rick and Amy Osmin are now hitched!  
Please come to our celebration of their August 29th wedding:  
at the HEPPNER ELKS CLUB  
SEPTEMBER 12 at 7 p.m.

Light buffet will be served

All's wearing his bibs... so please dress casual!

We Print Business Cards Gazette-Times 676-9228