

Huskies sweep Mustangs

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustangs traveled to Moro on Saturday, April 3 and dropped a doubleheader to the third-ranked Sherman County Huskies, 17-5 and 9-8, on a cold, windy day.

The Mustangs held a 1-0 lead in the top of the first as Derek Gunderson got to second base on an error, moved to third on Allan Gribbskov's single and scored on another Husky error.

The Huskies built an 8-1 lead after two using good hitting and Heppner errors.

In the top of the third, the Mustangs battled back as Gunderson beat out an infield hit and went to second on an error. After moving to third on a passed ball, Gunderson scored on Shane Matheny's single off the third baseman.

Matheny moved to second on a passed ball; Gribbskov reached first on an error and Matheny went to third. A wild pitch scored Matheny and moved Gribbskov to second. Cory Bennetto then walked and both runners moved up on a wild pitch. Cody Bellamy then hit a two-out double to score both runners and close the gap to 8-5.

The Huskies came back with three runs in the bottom of the inning and six more in the bottom of the fourth to put the game away.

Sherman County continued their scoring into the second game, building a 3-0 lead after one inning before the Mustangs got going.

Bennetto led off the second inning with a double and moved up to third on a passed ball. Michael McCabe then singled to score Bennetto and moved to second on a passed ball. Mark McElligott then singled up the first baseline to score McCabe and narrow the lead to 3-2.

The Huskies came right back to score two runs in the bottom of the second to build their lead back to 5-2.

With two outs in the top of the third, Gribbskov walked and scored on Bennetto's double to right-cen-

ter field. Bennetto then scored as McCabe's high fly ball was lost in the sun and dropped for an error.

In the bottom of the third, McCabe made three straight put-outs from third base, as the Mustangs held the Huskies scoreless.

Josh Hill reached on an error in the top of the fourth and Cody Bellamy came in to pinch run. McElligott then hit into a fielder's choice and moved to second on another fielder's choice. Stefan Matheny then reached base on an error to score McElligott as the Mustangs tied the game up at 5-5.

The Huskies came back with a run in the bottom of the fourth and two more in the fifth for an 8-5 lead.

The Mustangs were looking to rally in the top of the sixth, as Travis Bellamy led off with a pinch hit single and Shane Matheny reached base on an infield hit. But a double play ended the rally and the Huskies tacked on another run in the bottom of the inning for a 9-5 lead.

The Mustangs weren't done though, as Gunderson beat out an infield hit, stole second and came home on a Stefan Matheny single. Matheny ended up at second on the throw home and went to third as Gribbskov reached first on an error. Gribbskov then stole second and Bennetto hit a ground rule double to score both runners and close the gap to 9-8.

Bennetto moved to third on a fielder's choice, but the game ended as Kelly Paullus flied out to deep centerfield.

Bennetto had three doubles and three RBIs to lead the Mustangs at the plate.

The Mustangs' next game is a non-league doubleheader at Dufur on Friday, April 9, beginning at 3 p.m.

Statistics:
Game one: Heppner 10400 5
Sherman County 4436x 17
David Bates, Cory Bennetto (3) and Allan Gribbskov; Richelderfer and MacNab. 2B-C. Bellamy (H). HR: Thomas (5).
Game two: Heppner 0221003 8
Sherman County 320121x 9
Tim Dickenson, Bennetto (5) and Gribbskov; Langston and Richelderfer. 2B-Bennetto 3 (H).

Mustangs rally past Vikings

By Rick Paullus

Allan Gribbskov came through with a clutch two-out base hit to score Shane Matheny from third base as the Heppner Mustangs won their second straight game in the bottom of the seventh, 8-7, over the visiting Umatilla Vikings on Tuesday, March 29.

The Mustangs took an early 3-0 lead in the first on a Tim Dickenson double, a Gribbskov RBI single and a two-run home run by Cory Bennetto.

The Vikings narrowed the gap to 3-2 in the top of the third, but the Mustangs came right back with a Shane Matheny two-run home run.

The Vikings scored two more in the top of the fourth, but Michael McCabe hit his second home run of the year, a solo shot to centerfield, to make it 6-4 in favor of the Mustangs.

The Vikings scored three runs in the top of the fifth to take a 7-6 lead and held it until the bottom of the seventh. Derek Gunderson walked with one out and Matheny laid down a sacrifice bunt. The throw got past the first baseman and Gunderson came all the way around to score the tying run with Matheny ending up on third. Gribbskov then came through with the hit to improve the Mustangs' record to 2-3.

Gribbskov ended up going 2-4 with two RBIs.

Dylan Pettyjohn, pitching in relief of David Bates, picked up the win.

The second game of the scheduled doubleheader was called after three innings because of darkness, with the Mustangs leading 4-3.

Umatilla jumped out to a 3-0 lead after one before the Mustangs rallied in the bottom of the second to score four runs.

Stefan Matheny led off with a single and went to second on a passed ball. Kelly Paullus hit a pinch-hit single to drive in Matheny while he went to second. When the ball got by the centerfielder, Mark McElligott reached on an infield single, sending Paullus to third. McElligott then got into a

Ione girls compete in Wahtonka tourney

The Ione girls' tennis team traveled to The Dalles to compete in a tournament hosted by Wahtonka.

There were 16 singles entries and 12 doubles entries between six schools participating. Ione had some success in the tournament with Erin Crowell and Tori Odinet placing third. Molly Barrow won the consolation and the dynamic duo of Niki Sullivan and Amellia Peck placed sixth.

Erin Crowell and Tori Odinet defeated Kasey Stroud and Kalie Fuller of Sherman County, 8-6, and earned a spot in the quarter finals to defeat Ashley Zarr and Erin Koshko of Stevenson, 8-6. The win advanced the team to the semi finals, but Crowell and Odinet were unable to take the match from Valerie Bareese and Asia Wizzaren of Stevenson, falling 4-8.

Odinet and Crowell then went on to defeat Condon's Shannon Durfey and Tessa Nicholson for third place. "Odinet had an excellent tournament," said coach Cathy McCabe. "She was tough at the net and placed her shots in the open holes. Crowell is credited with consistent serving and noteworthy back court coverage."

Niki Sullivan and Amellia Peck lost their first match to Talese Slay and Amy Richelderfer of Sherman, 4-8, but came back in the consolation bracket to defeat Becky Sparks and Jeanne Hintsman of Weston-McEwen, 8-1. Peck and Sullivan played Kasey Stroud and Jennifer Neil of Sherman for consolation, losing 3-8. Peck struggled at the beginning of the tournament but picked up her game in the second match and made some sensational shots in

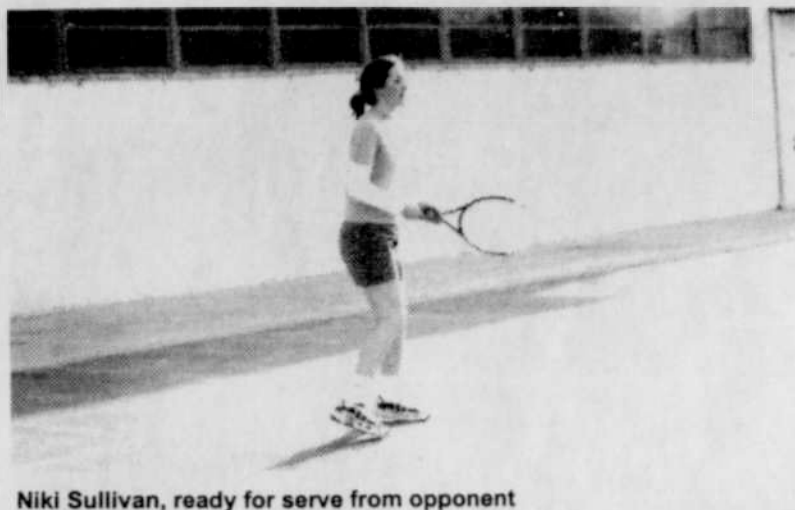
the consolation match. Sullivan kept the team competitive with strong serves and powerful net play.

Molly Barrow fell to Tonia Trotter of Condon, 3-8, in the first round of the tournament but come back in the consolation round to defeat Alisha Wooderson of Sherman County, 8-6. Barrow then advanced to the final consolation round defeating Amber Gillsworth, 8-6.

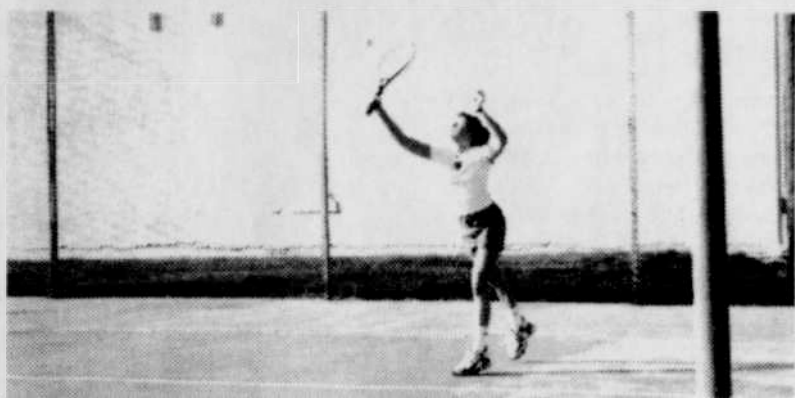
The final match seemed to be a contest of who was going to fall down first with both players near the point of exhaustion. Barrow proved to be the stronger of the two. "Barrow had all around good tournament play with hard hits and her serving was the most consistent I've seen ever seen her serve," said coach McCabe. She worked extremely hard for each and every one of her wins."

Jessica Krebs was defeated by Erin Weidman of Sherman County, 4-8. She then went into the consolation round to play Denise Bowman of Weston-McEwen, losing to Bowman, 3-8. Krebs played well throughout the tournament. Her serving was consistent and she took advantage of her opponent's weaker qualities.

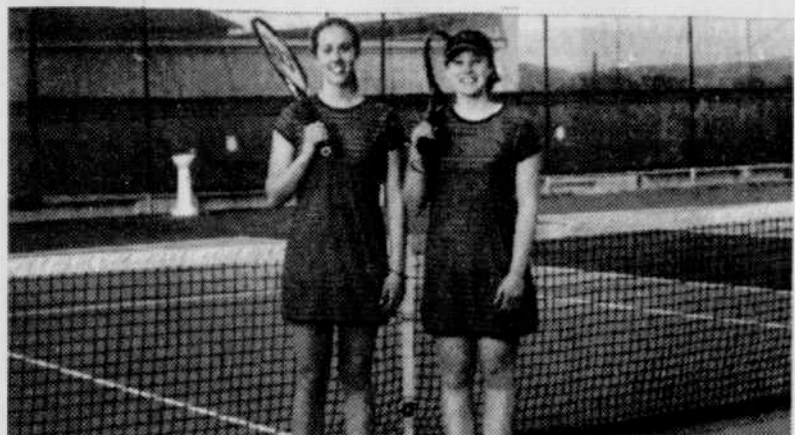
Salli McElligott was defeated by Rene Robertson of Weston-McEwen, 2-8. Robertson went on to play in the final round against Katie Leithouser of Stevenson. McElligott went into the consolation round to play Jennifer Bailey of Condon, losing 3-8. McElligott played hard, made some impressive shots and improves every time she steps onto the court, said McCabe.



Niki Sullivan, ready for serve from opponent



Jennifer Thompson serves against Kate Deeks of Wahtonka



Tori Odinet (left) and Erin Crowell take third place at the Wahtonka Tournament.

Ione girls defeat Wahtonka

The Ione girls' tennis team hosted Wahtonka on Tuesday, March 30, and defeated Wahtonka three matches to one.

Jennifer Thompson defeated Kate Deeks, 8-3. Thompson has improved on her serving and had some strong back court shots.

Salli McElligott defeated Kestine Michaels, 8-6. McElligott started out way ahead of Michaels but started to lose ground. When the score was 7-6, coach McCabe feared a tie-breaker situation, but, after an inspirational talk, McElligott pulled out the big guns and put Michaels in the loser's bracket.

Rose Baker and Katie Tworek lost, 2-8, to a combination of

Kate Deeks from Wahtonka and Niki Sullivan from Ione. "Wahtonka was shy a player so Sullivan was gracious enough to offer her assistance to the Wahtonka team, handing Wahtonka their only win," said coach Cathy McCabe.

Allison Halvorsen and Shelby Krebs defeated Kestine Michaels and Becky Eilers, 8-1. Krebs was hitting some strategically placed shots in the doubles' alley, said McCabe.

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St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

Members of the Christian Missionary Fellowship served at the senior meal March 31. Blood pressures were taken before the meal.

The menu for April 14 will be oven baked chicken, rice pilaf, pea and bacon salad, fruit bowl, zucchini bread and chocolate chip cookies. Members of the Seventh-day Adventist and Nazarene churches will serve. The Senior Board will meet at 1 p.m.

The seniors were saddened by the death of Sue Vinson and extend deepest sympathy to her family. She will be greatly missed.

The museum dinner will be held in the dining room April 10 at 5:30 p.m.

An important tenant meeting will be held Wednesday, April 14, at 3 p.m. in the center's sitting room. All tenants should try to attend.

Other dates to remember are: exercise, Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m.; cards, Tuesday and Friday, 1 p.m.; and Bingo, Friday, 7 p.m.

Wranglers to begin season

The Wranglers Riding Club will start its season this Sunday, April

Rebekahs hold card party

By Delpha Jones

The last of the series of card parties sponsored by the Holly Rebekah Lodge was held Saturday evening. Prizes were won by Cecil Jones, men's high; Elmer Heath, second high; Verna Brinda, women's high; Kathy Tellechea, second high; and Bob Taylor and Lee Palmer, traveling. Kathy Clark was the hostess. The next series will start in October.

The president of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon will be present at the next lodge meeting to pay her official visit. All Rebekahs are urged to attend.

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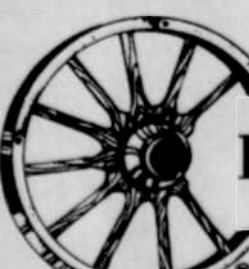
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