

Mustangs romp over Umatilla Mustang JV football team starts

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Sophomore running back Michael McCabe sprints for TD

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustangs traveled to Umatilla on Friday, Sept. 10 and rolled over the Vikings, 49-0, in just under three quarters of play. The game was stopped with 57 seconds left in the third quarter due to the 45-point mercy rule.

The win moved the Mustangs' record to 2-0 with another class 3A team, the Baker Bulldogs, coming to Heppner this Friday, Sept. 17.

The Mustangs' defense set the tone for the game, holding the Vikings to a net minus six yards rushing and just 127 yards passing. Heppner had four interceptions, three by Craig Scott in the second quarter alone, to stifle the Vikings.

Heppner took over on its own 39 following a 15 yard return of the opening kick-off by Michael McCabe. Scott ran for four yards and Levi Geer took a sweep for 10. Michael Schonbachler ran for six and McCabe four and a first down. After a couple of short runs, Scott made some nice moves to break free for a 33 yard touchdown. Blake Knowles kicked the extra point to give the Mustangs an early 7-0 lead.

Each team failed to move the ball and the Mustangs took over at mid-field after the Vikings' second punt. Schonbachler ran for five yards and Ryan Matteson kept the ball for nine yards and a first down. Schonbachler broke free for 20 more and a first down at the 17 of Umatilla. McCabe ran for five yards, then three more. On fourth down, he took it in from nine yards out, with the help of a great block by Stefan Matheny, for the touchdown. The kick was no good and the Mustangs held a 13-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

The Mustangs' defense held and, after Knowles tackled the punter on a bad snap for a 22 yard loss, the Mustangs took over on the 18 yard line of the Vikings. On second down, Matteson hit Joe Papineau for a 15 yard touchdown pass. Knowles' kick was good to give the Mustangs a 20-0 lead early in the second quarter.

The Vikings failed to move the ball, but intercepted a pass to take over at the Mustangs' 40 yard line. Umatilla then mounted its only serious scoring threat, but was thwarted by the first of Scott's interceptions at the seven yard line.

McCabe broke free for 21 yards to give the Mustangs some breathing room. On third and nine from the 30, Matteson kept the ball on the option and made a nice cut to run 70 yards for the touchdown. Knowles' kick was perfect to give the Mustangs a 27-0 lead with 5:28 left in the first half.

Scott got his second interception on the Vikings' next possession and returned it 35 yards to the Mustangs' 37 yard line. Schonbachler gained 11 yards, Scott seven more and an offside penalty gave Heppner a first down on the Vikings' 41. The Mustangs then fumbled the ball away, but Scott picked off his third pass to give Heppner the ball at their own 20.

McCabe picked up 17 yards on the option and Matteson hit Papineau for 20 yards to the 43 of Umatilla. Matteson then hit Scott for 28 yards to the 15.

Knowles then made a nice catch over the defensive back in the back of the end zone for the touchdown. Matheny then hit Schonbachler for the two-point conversion to give the Mustangs a 35-0 lead at halftime.

The Mustangs' defense held and took over on downs at the 33 of the Vikings. Schonbachler ran for 12 yards and Brad Adams ran for four yards and a first down. A penalty and an eight yard run by Adams took the ball to the two. A pass interference penalty gave the Mustangs a first and goal at the one, but they couldn't get the ball in the end zone and Umatilla took over on downs.

Matheny then picked off a pass and raced 30 yards for the touchdown. The two-point conversion pass failed and the Mustangs took a 41-0 lead with 5:55 left in the third quarter.

The Mustangs' defense again held and took over at the Vikings' 34 yard line. Adams ran twice for nine yards and a pass interference penalty gave the Mustangs a first down at the 13. Adams then ran for nine and on fourth down picked up a yard for a first. Kelly Paullus picked up two yards to the one before senior Jake Roy scored his first career rushing touchdown on a one yard run. Nick Anthony hit Jerry Shank for the PAT to give the Mustangs the 49-0 win. The game was called following the kick-off.

Stefan Matheny led the defensive with 23 points, including the interception for touchdown. Craig Scott used his three picks to get 20 defensive points. Clint Bellamy had 11 and Michael McCabe and Kelly Paullus each had eight. Mitch Matthews had seven and a fumble recovery.

Ryan Matteson led the offense with 79 yards rushing and a touchdown and completed six of seven passes for 100 yards and two touchdowns. Scott rushed six times for 65 yards; McCabe had eight for 61 yards; and Michael Schonbachler had seven for 56 yards. Freshman Brad Adams ran six times for 42 yards and Levi Geer gained 30 yards before leaving the game early in the first quarter with an ankle injury.

Joe Papineau had two receptions for 35 yards and Schonbachler caught two passes for 22 yards.

"It was a good win and everybody got to play, but it hurts to lose Levi," said coach Greg Grant after the game.

Statistics:
Heppner: 13 22 14 x - 49
Umatilla: 0 0 0 x - 0
First quarter: Heppner-Craig Scott 33 yard run (Blake Knowles kick) 9:23; Michael McCabe nine yard run (kick failed) 1:00

Second quarter: Heppner-Joe Papineau 15 yard pass from Matteson (Knowles kick) 10:36; Ryan Matteson 70 yard run (Knowles kick) 5:28; Knowles 15 yard pass from Matteson (Michael Schonbachler pass from Stefan Matheny) 4:49

Third quarter: Heppner-Matheny 30 yard interception return (pass failed) 5:55; Jake Roy one yard run (Jerry Shank pass from Nick Anthony) 1:05

Individual stats:
Rushing: Heppner-Matteson 2-79, Scott 6-65, McCabe 8-61, Schonbachler 7-56, Levi Geer 5-30, Brad Adams 6-42, Donald Adams 1-6, Kelly Paullus 2-3
Umatilla-Salas 5-9, McIver 1 (-15)
Passing: Heppner-Matteson 6-7-100, Anthony 1-3-0-8, Matheny 0-5-0
Umatilla-McIver 13-38-4-127, Villanueva 0-5-0

Receiving: Heppner-Papineau 2-35, Schonbachler 2-22, Scott 1-28, Knowles 1-15, Shank 1-8
Umatilla-Ybarra 7-59, Lynch 4-54, Aparicio 2-16

Mustang JV football team starts off on right foot, beats Eagles

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustangs JV football team started their season off on the right foot by beating the visiting Wahtonka Eagles, 24-8 on Monday, Sept. 13.

The Eagles fumbled on their first play to give the Mustangs good field position at the 30. Nick Anthony got the Mustangs on the board with a nine yard run around end on a broken play. Donald Adams ran in the two-point conversion to give Heppner an early 8-0 lead.

The Mustangs defense held and got the ball back on a bad snap to the punter Brad Adams ran 25 yards to the six where Kelly Paullus took it in for the Mustangs second touchdown. Brad Adams ran in the PAT and the Mustangs

had a 16-0 lead with 5:12 left in the first quarter.

In the third quarter, the Eagles cut the lead in half by scoring on a one yard run following a blocked punt.

The Mustangs put the game away in the fourth on a six yard run by Donald Adams. Brad Adams ran in the PAT to close out the scoring.

The JVs are back in action on Monday, Sept. 20, at home against the Umatilla Vikings at 6 p.m.

Statistics:
Wahtonka: 0 0 8 0 - 8
Heppner: 16 0 0 8 - 24
First quarter: Heppner-Nick Anthony nine yard run (Donald Adams run) 9:50; Kelly Paullus six yard run (Brad Adams run) 5:12
Third quarter: Wahtonka-one yard run (PAT run) 8:34
Fourth quarter: Heppner-Donald Adams six yard run (B. Adams run) 9:04

Ione football team wins first game of season

The Ione High School football team won their first game of the season against Spray, 28-12.

At the end of the first quarter, Ione led 8-0. The second quarter the Cardinals scored 12 points to Spray's six and during the third quarter Ione added eight to the Viking's six. The fourth quarter both teams were held scoreless.

It was a rushing game for Ione with a total of 44 carries for 316 yards. Brad Burright lead the Ione team with 237 yards on 25 carries. Dan Scott had seven for 29 yards; John Ferguson, one for 28 yards; Corey Morgan, six for 16 yards; and Allan Gribskov, five for six yards.

Ione had 11 first downs, compared to Spray's eight.

"The team did really well," said coach Dennis Stefani. "We had a kid, Pat Davidson, a newcomer this year, step in and fill in. He played guard and end. We had Zak Fabian with 10

tackles and Allan Gribskov with 13 tackles."

The team this year includes: seniors Mark McElligott, Allan Gribskov, John Ferguson, Jacob Neiffer, Dan Scott, Mike Ferguson and Dylan Pettyjohn; juniors, Hannes Schulz, and exchange student from Germany, David Mansfeld, and exchange student from Usti nad Labem, Richard Campbell, Patrick Davidson, Corey Morgan, Zak Fabian, Jeremiah McElligott, Cory Benetto and Cody Erickson; sophomores, Brad Burright and Adam Neiffer; and freshmen, Cayle Krebs, Cameron Krebs, Til Tullis, Mike Radic, Koby Rea and Andrew Rietmann.

Head coach is Robin Graff. Assistant coaches are Dennis Stefani and Ryan Rudolf. Collin McElligott is manager.

Statistics:
Spray 0 6 6 0 - 12
Ione 8 12 8 0 - 28
Individual Stats:
Rushing: Spray-32-128 Richardson 13-68, Osborn 10-41, Tankessley 3-17, Watson 3-2, Greninger 2-10, Miller 1-28, Ione- 44-316, Burright 25-237, Gribskov 5-6, Morgan 6-16, Scott 7-29, J. Ferguson 1-28
Passing: Spray-Greninger 73, Watson 0, Richardson 73; Ione-Morgan-0.

Ione volleyball team beats Spray Eagles

The Ione High School Volleyball team beat the Spray Eagles, 15-4, 15-4, in their first contest of the year on Friday, September 3, at Spray.

Charissa Gates led the team in points with seven and served nine for nine at the line. She also added 14 set assists for the match. Nikki McElligott and Salli McElligott followed with six points apiece. Nikki hit 16 spikes, five of them kills, and added four blocks and two stuff blocks. Diana McElligott and Shelby Krebs each had two kills and Diana made six spikes, two stuff blocks and led the team in back row passes, going six for six. Adrienne Swanson came up the ranks from JV to replace injured setter Erin Crowell and served five points and made 13 set assists.

"Everyone played the way I hoped they would for the first match of the season," said coach Charity McElligott. "We have a lot of perfecting to do this season, but we have the hustle and desire I was hoping to see. With three starting seniors on the injured list right now, it gave some of the younger players their chance to experience varsity play and they did a great job."

Varsity team members include seniors, Erin Crowell, Nikki McElligott, Camie Burright and Brandi Brantley; juniors, Shelby Krebs, Jeanette Brantley, Molly Barrow, Ashley Carmack, Allison Halvorsen and Charissa Gates; sophomores Amellia Peck and Salli McElligott; and freshman Diana McElligott.

Assistant coach is Cathy McCabe. Kristina Powell is manager.

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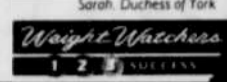
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Mondays 6:30 p.m.

Pendleton

United Methodist Church - 352 SE 2nd
Tuesdays 6:30 p.m.

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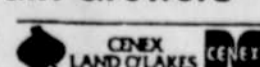
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