

## Mustang defense stops TigerScots 40-6



Craig Scott (23) fights for yardage against TigerScots, while Michael Schonbachler (41) and Clint Bellamy (58) block.

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The third-ranked Heppner Mustangs used a stingy defense to ruin the Weston-McEwen TigerScots' homecoming, beating them 40-6 on Friday, Oct. 1. The Mustangs' offense gained over 460 yards, led by Craig Scott's 108 rushing yards, and Ryan Matteson's 194 yards passing. Michael McCabe scored three touchdowns for the Mustangs.

Heppner improved to 5-0 on the year with the Culver Bulldogs coming to town in a key Columbia Basin Conference matchup on Thursday, Oct. 7, at 7:30 p.m. for the Mustangs' homecoming game.

The Mustangs took the opening kickoff and got a key third down reception from Craig Scott for 11 yards and a first down at midfield. Matteson then hit McCabe on a screen, who broke a tackle at the line of scrimmage, got good downfield blocks from Clint Bellamy and Matt Baker, and raced 49 yards down the sideline for the touchdown. The pass failed on the conversion attempt and the Mustangs led 6-0 with

10:06 left in the first quarter.

The TigerScots took the kickoff and drove down the field before Travis Bellamy recovered a fumble for the Mustangs to the Weston-McEwen six yard line.

Matteson ran for nine yards and Michael Schonbachler picked up three more and a first down. Scott then broke outside and rushed for 25 yards to near midfield.

The Mustangs were forced to punt where the TigerScots took over at their own 35 yard line. The Mustangs' defense held, forcing a TigerScot punt, which McCabe returned to the 48 yard line. Stefan Matheny caught a third down pass good for 32 yards and a first down at the 17 yard line as the first quarter ended. Scott then ran three times to the two yard line where McCabe ran it in for his second touchdown of the game. Matteson passed to Blake Knowles for the two-point conversion to increase the Mustangs lead to 14-0 early in the second quarter.

The Mustangs' defense held

and, after a quarterback sack by Josh Hill and Clint Bellamy, forced a punt which was downed at their own 15 yard line.

Scott ran for two, then seven yards and Schonbachler ran for two yards and a first down. McCabe then took a screen pass 17 yards for a first down to the 40 yard line. Matteson then hit Matheny for 11 yards and another first down. An interception and return gave the TigerScots the ball at the 25 of Heppner.

The TigerScots moved the ball down the field where Nathaniel Lieuallen scored on an eight yard run. The kick failed and, with 2:07 left in the first half, Heppner led 14-6.

The TigerScots fumbled the kickoff which Scott recovered at the 35 yard line of Weston-McEwen. Scott ran for four, McCabe took the pitch on the option for three and an offside penalty gave the Mustangs a first down. After a short run, Matheny made a great catch at the five and ran to the end zone for the touchdown. The pass failed and the

Mustangs led 20-6 early in the third quarter.

The inside kick failed and the TigerScots took the ball to the Mustangs' 30 before good defensive plays by Matheny and Clint Bellamy gave Heppner the ball at their own 32 yard line. After a short gain by McCabe, Matteson kept the ball on the option, broke a tackle and ran 67 yards for a touchdown. Knowles' kick was good to give the Heppner a 27-6 lead.

The TigerScots took over on their own 23 yard line after the kickoff. The Mustangs got a good defensive play from Joe Papineau to force a punt with Heppner taking over at their own 33 yard line. McCabe ran for three, then Matteson hit Knowles for 34 yards to the 30. Scott ran for 11 and a first down, then two more, and McCabe went for 12 yards to the four. McCabe then took it in for this third touchdown of the game. The kick was blocked, giving the Mustangs a 33-6 lead.

The TigerScots took the kickoff and drove down to the Mustang 10 before the defense held and Heppner took over on downs. After a short gain, Scott took a pitch on a sweep for 12 yards and a first down. Scott then ran for three, then 12 more and another first down. Levi Geer picked up three yards, but the offense stalled and Heppner had to punt the ball back to the TigerScots.

Knowles, however, picked off a TigerScot pass, giving the Mustangs back the ball at their own 41 yard line. Scott broke through the line for 10 yards and McCabe broke one for another 40 yards to the five yard line. McCabe picked up three yards, setting up Matteson's bootleg run to the endzone. Knowles' kick was good to make it a 40-6 game.

After the kickoff, the TigerScots fumbled which McCabe recovered at the Weston-McEwen 28 yard line. The Mustang JV's were unable to move the ball and Weston-McEwen took over at their own 32 yard line. The defense held and took over as the game ended.

Matteson ended up 9-14 for

194 yards, two touchdowns and one interception. He also rushed three times for 79 yards and two touchdowns.

Matheny caught three passes for 69 yards and McCabe caught two for 57 yards.

Statistics  
Heppner: 6 8 19 7 - 40  
Weston-McEwen: 0 6 0 0 - 6  
First quarter: Heppner-Michael McCabe 49 yard pass from Ryan Matteson (pass failed).

Second quarter: Heppner-McCabe two yard run (Blake Knowles pass from Matteson); Weston-McEwen-Lieuallen eight yard run (kick failed).

Third quarter: Stefan Matheny 21 yard pass from Matteson (pass failed), Matteson 67 yard run (Knowles kick), McCabe four yard run (pass failed).

Fourth quarter: Matteson two yard run (Knowles kick).

Individual statistics:  
Rushing: Heppner-Craig Scott 15-108, Matteson 3-79, McCabe 5-69, Michael Schonbachler 5-9, Brad Adams 3-7, Levi Geer 2-3, Donald Adams 1-(-3), Kelly Paullus 1-(-3); Weston-McEwen-Lieuallen 16-80, Peters 4-34, Maney 3-33, R. Delph 10-24, E. Delph 5-5, Parker 3-(-14), McClouth 1-(-2).

Passing: Heppner-Matteson 9-14-1-174; Weston-McEwen-Parker 4-17-1-28.

Receiving: Heppner-Matheny 3-69, McCabe 2-67, Knowles 2-51, Scott 2-17; Weston-McEwen-Peters 3-28, Maney 1-4.

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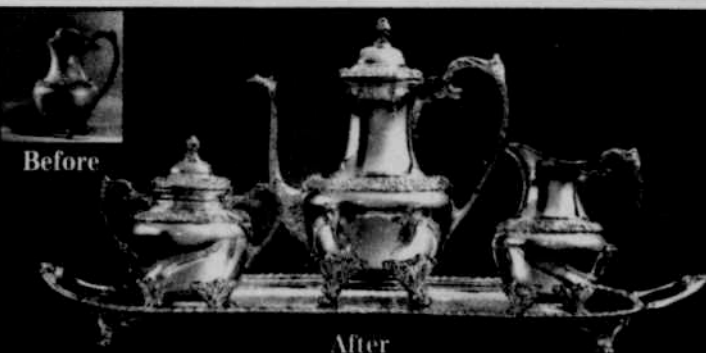
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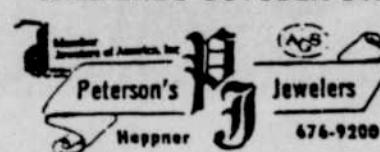
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