

Poor shooting spells defeat for Mustang girls

By Rick Paullus

Poor shooting in the first half spelled defeat to the Heppner Mustang girls as the visiting Sherman County Huskies held on for a 38-33 win in a battle for first place in the Columbia Basin Conference.

The Mustangs' CBC record falls to 6-3 and their overall record to 13-8.

In a slow-starting first quarter, the Huskies took a 4-0 lead with about four minutes gone but Casey Ingraham hit a jumper to finally get the Mustangs on the board. Amy Papineau hit two free throws to tie the game at 4-4 and Ingraham made a lay-in to close out the first quarter with the Mustangs leading 6-4.

The Huskies came out in the second quarter with the first 11 points before Shelley Rietmann hit two free throws to make it 15-8. Ingraham scored on a nice pass from Papineau and San Juanita Elguezabal made a baseline lay-in to narrow the lead to 19-14, but the Huskies came back with four straight to make it 23-14. Papineau hit a turnaround jumper and Ingraham scored, but the Huskies still led 27-18 after three.

The Huskies scored the first basket of the fourth quarter to take an 11-point lead but the

Mustangs wouldn't give up as Lacey Matteson hit two free throws and Ingraham scored to make it 29-22.

Papineau hit 3-4 free throws to make it 31-25 but the Huskies came back to take a 10-point lead. Papineau and Ingraham hit jumpers to make it 35-29 and Ingraham hit a running baseline jumper and then a long jumper from the top of the key to make it 35-33 with less than a minute left. The Huskies then made enough free throws to hang on for the win.

Ingraham led the Mustangs with 16 points, eight in the fourth quarter, and had five rebounds and three steals. Papineau had nine points, five rebounds and three steals. Trisha Adams had six rebounds and Ashley Ropp had five assists.

Statistics	
Sherman Co.	4 13 10 11-38
Heppner	6 4 8 15-33
Sherman Co.-Sanderson	6 1-2 13, Weedman 3 1-2 7, Beers 1 2-5 4, Fuller 1 2-2 4, Stroud 1 2-2 4, Tatum 1 0-1 2, Wilkins 1 0-1 2, Richelderfer 1 0-0 2, 15 8-15 38, 3pt.-none
Heppner-Ingraham	8 0-2 16, Papineau 2 5-6 9, Rietmann 12-3 4, Elguezabal 1 0-0 2, Matteson 0 2-2 2, Ropp 0 0-0 0, Adams 0 0-0 0, McCabe 0 0-0 0, Bailey 0 0-0 0, Rhea, Carlson, Barber, Patton. 12 9-13 33, 3pt.-none

JV girls split over weekend

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV girls lost a close game at Culver, 32-28, on Friday, Feb. 4, but came home on Saturday to beat the Sherman County Huskies, 43-31, as their record goes to 12-4 for the year.

Against the Bulldogs, the Mustangs trailed 13-10 at halftime. They got eight points from Jodie Carlson in the third to stay within 24-21 going into the fourth but couldn't make up the difference.

Carlson finished with 10 points, six rebounds and an assist. Meghan Bailey had 10 points and pulled down nine rebounds. Jesse Gutierrez had two three-pointers for six points and had two steals.

Against the Huskies, Bailey had six points in the first quarter as the Mustangs went out to a 14-11 lead. The Mustangs kept up the pressure in the second, running to a 28-16 lead at halftime.

The Huskies tried to rally in the second half, but Gutierrez hit two three-pointers in the fourth quarter as the Mustangs

held on for the 43-31 win. Bailey led the Mustangs with 14 points and six rebounds. Gutierrez hit three of five three-pointers finishing with 13 points, and had an assist. Brett Barber had six points, six rebounds, six steals and an assist for a good all-around game. Carlson had six points and an assist and Jenni Patton had six rebounds. Sarah Eckman had two steals and an assist.

The Mustang play at Weston-McEwen on Friday, Feb. 11, and come home for their last home game of the year against Culver.

Statistics	
Heppner	6 4 11 7-28
Culver	6 7 1 8-32
Heppner-Carlson	4 2-2 10, Bailey 3 4-6 10, Gutierrez 2 0-0 6, Patton 1 0-0 2, Spicerkuhn 0 0-1 0, Eckman, 0 0-0 0, Barber 0 0-0 0, 10 6-9 28, 3pt.- Gutierrez 2

Sherman Co.	11 5 9 6-31
Heppner	14 14 7 8-43
Heppner-Bailey	7 0-0 14, Gutierrez 5 0-2 13, Carlson 2 2-2 6, Barber 1 4-6 6, Patton 0 3-6 3, Kempas 0 1-5 1, Kelsey Greenup 0 0-1 0, Eckman 0 0-0 0, 15 10-21 43, 3pt.-Gutierrez 3.

Mustangs' defense shuts down Huskies

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustangs used a stifling defense and good rebounding to beat the visiting Sherman County Huskies, 46-34, on Saturday, Feb. 5. The win improves the Mustangs' CBC record to 5-4 and their over record to 12-9. The Mustangs will travel to Weston-McEwen on Friday and host the Culver Bulldogs in the last home game of the year Saturday.

Joe Papineau got the Mustangs on the board early, only to see the Huskies come back with the next nine points to take a 9-2 lead. Papineau hit a lay-in and Blake Knowles scored on a rebound basket to make it 9-6. Then Clint Bellamy hit a jumper and Michael McCabe converted a three-point play to tie the game at 11-11. Stefan Matheny hit a running jumper and Ryan Matteson scored on a nice pass from McCabe before the Huskies came back to make it 15-14. McCabe hit a fee throw and Bellamy hit another jumper to close out the first quarter with Mustangs leading 18-14.

McCabe hit a jumper to start the second quarter and Papineau scored on a lay-in on a nice pass from Brian Rust to make it 22-14. Craig Scott hit a running jumper to make it 25-18 and Rust hit two free throws to make it 27-22. After a Sherman County free throw the Mustangs led 27-23 at halftime.

A three-pointer by Matheny made it 30-25 and a Papineau rebound basket made it 32-27, but the three-pointer by the

Huskies made it a two-point game. Matheny hit two free throws and Knowles scored on a nice pass from McCabe to end the third quarter with the Mustangs ahead 36-30.

Knowles hit a lay-in on a nice pass from Bellamy and hit one of two free throws to start the fourth quarter to make it 39-30. After two free throws by the Huskies, Knowles hit a lay-in to make it 41-32. Papineau scored on a nice pass from McCabe with a minute and a half left to make it 43-32 and hit one of two free throws with 35 seconds left to clinch the game for the Mustangs. After a Husky basket, McCabe hit two free throws with 10 seconds left to provide the final score of 46-34.

Papineau hit 5-8 shots and led the Mustangs with 11 and pulled down seven rebounds. Knowles had nine points on 4-6 shooting and pulled down 10 rebounds. McCabe had a solid game with eight points, four rebounds, four assists and two steals, and Matheny finished with seven points.

Statistics	
Sherman Co.	14 9 7 4-34
Heppner	18 9 9 1-46
Sherman- Richelderfer	4 5-6 14, Thomas 2 2-2 7, MacNab 2 1-3 5, Miller 2 0-0 4, Eggars 1 0-0 2, Fritts 1 0-0 2, Von Borstel 0 0-2 0, John Yourchek, Joey Yourchek, Langston, Wolff. 12 8-13 34, 3pt.- Thomas, Richelderfer.

Heppner- Joe Papineau	5 1-3 11, Blake Knowles 4 1-2 9, Michael McCabe 2 4-5 8, Stefan Matheny 2 2-2 7, Clint Bellamy 2 1-4 5, Ryan Matteson 1 0-0 2, Craig Scott 1 0-0 2, Brian Rust 0 2-2 2, Chip Piper, Sam VanLiew. 17 11-18 46, 3pt.-Matheny.
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HHS JV boys lose two

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV boys lost a close game at Culver on Friday, Feb. 4, 50-47, and came home on Saturday to lose to the Sherman County Huskies, 66-59.

At Culver the Mustangs trailed 11-9 after one, but got five points from Brian Rust and four from San VanLiew to explode for a 26-14 lead at half time.

Chip Piper scored six points in the third as the teams played an even quarter, but the Bulldogs outscored the Mustangs, 22-7, in the fourth to nip the Mustangs at the end.

Rust hit two three pointers and finished with 14 points to lead the Mustangs. Piper finished with 10 points and VanLiew had eight.

Sherman County, shooting a very high percentage, jumped out to a 23-5 lead after one but the Mustangs got eight points from Brad Adams and five from Rust, including a long three-pointer to get with 33-28 at halftime.

The Huskies came out in the third to increase their lead to 50-37, but the Mustangs didn't

give up, getting eight points, including a three-pointer, from Kelly Paullus. They got within five a couple of times but couldn't catch up.

Brad Adams finished with 18 points to lead the Mustangs followed by Rust with 13 and Paullus with eight.

The Mustangs' record fell to 8-9 on the year. They travel to Weston-McEwen on Friday, Feb. 11, before coming home for a rematch against Culver on Saturday.

Statistics	
Heppner	9 17 14 7-47
Culver	11 3 14 22-50
Heppner-Brian Rust	5 2-2 14, Chip Piper 3 4-4 10, Sam VanLiew 3 2-2 8, Justin Wood 3 0-0 6, Kevin Drake 2 0-0 5, Brandon Young 2 0-2 4, Brad Adams 0 0-0 0, Brad Bowman 0 0-0 0, Kelly Paullus 0 0-0 0, Donald Adams 0 0-0 0, 18 8-10 47, 3pt.- Rust 2, Drake

Sherman Co.	23 10 17 16-66
Heppner	5 23 9 20-59
Heppner-B. Adams	7 4-5 18, Rust 6 0-1 13, Paullus 2 3-3 8, Piper 3 1-2 7, VanLiew 2 1-3 5, Drake 1 1-2 3, Young 0 2-2 2, Wood 0 1-2 1, Bowman 0 0-0 0, D. Adams 0 0-0 0, 21 13-20 57, 3pt.-Rust, Paullus

Mustangs fall to Bulldogs

By Rick Paullus

For two minutes in the third quarter the Culver Bulldogs showed why they are the fourth-ranked team in the state as they went on a 16-0 run to beat the visiting Heppner Mustangs, 74-60, on Friday, Feb. 4. The Mustangs fell to 4-4 in the CBC and 11-9 overall with the loss.

The Mustangs played the Bulldogs tough in the first half, getting 10 points from Blake Knowles and six second-quarter points from Michael McCabe. The Mustangs trailed just 35-31 at halftime.

After the Bulldogs' big third quarter, the Mustangs came back to outscore Culver, 17-11, in the fourth, getting five points each from Brian Rust and Sam VanLiew, but it wasn't enough.

5'11" Craig Scott hit two three-pointers and led the Mustangs with 16 points, had three assists and spent most of the night playing good defense on Culver's leading scorer, six-foot five Alex Carlson. Knowles finished with 14 points and McCabe had six points and three steals. Ryan Matteson hit two three pointers and had four

Statistics	
Heppner	14 17 12 17-60
Culver	18 17 28 11-74
Heppner-Craig Scott	5 4-5 16, Blake Knowles 6 2-4 14, Stefan Matheny 2 1-2 6, Ryan Matteson 2 0-0 6, Michael McCabe 3 0-0 6, Brian Rust 2 0-0 5, Sam VanLiew 2 1-1 5, Joe Papineau 1 0-0 2, Clint Bellamy 0 0-0 0, Chip Piper 0 0-0 0, 23 8-10 60, 3pt.-Scott 2, Matteson 2, Matheny, Rust

Culver	8 4-5 26, Macy 7 0-0 15, Carlson 7 0-0 14, Benningfield 5 1-1 12, Bain 1 2-6 4, Sosa 1 0-1 2, Montes 0 1-3 1, 29 8-16 74, 3pt.-Cruz 6, Benningfield, Macy.
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Cardinals defeat Dufur

The Ione Lady Cardinal Varsity team easily defeated Dufur, 53-38, Saturday, February 5, at Dufur.

Nikki McElligott dropped in 26 points for the Ione squad, grabbed 14 rebounds, blocked three shots, dished out five assists and had one steal.

Camie Burreight added 13 points, canning three of four attempts from the three-point region.

Amelia Peck supplemented the Cardinal effort with six points and grabbed two steals.

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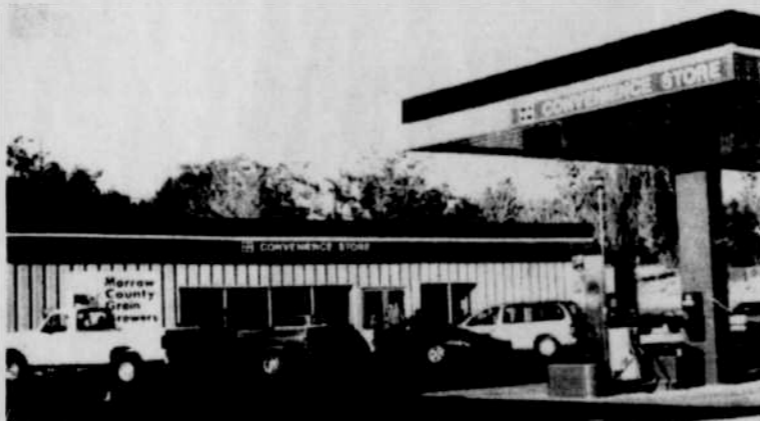
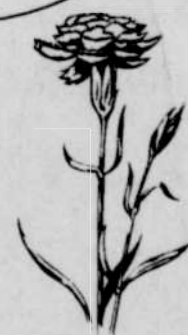


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