

Mustangs split with Pine Eagle

By Rick Paulus

The Heppner Mustang girls' softball team split with the Pine Eagle Spartans in their final Eastern Oregon League games of the season, rallying to win the first game, 8-7, and dropping the second, 6-5. The Mustangs finished in second place with a 9-3 record in the EOL and an 11-12 overall record.

The Mustangs will face the Pilot Rock Rockets in the second game of the district tournament on Saturday, May 20, in LaGrande. The first game between Wahtonka and Nyssa starts at noon, with the second game to begin 30 minutes after the completion of the first.

The Mustangs swept the Rockets in the regular season, but Pilot Rock was missing their best pitcher. A win by the Mustangs sends them to the state tournament for the first time since the softball program was started.

In the first game, the Mustangs struck first in the bottom of the first as Jesse Gutierrez doubled and came around to score on Shelley Rietmann's single.

The Mustangs added a run in the second as Miranda McElligott reached on an error and later scored on another error to make it 2-1.

In the third, SanJuanita Elguezabal walked, went to second on Rietmann's single and scored on Leah Denton's single.

The Spartans came back to stake a 4-3 lead in the fourth, but the Mustangs came back to tie as Marissa McCabe singled and came around to score on Elguezabal's double.

The Mustangs scored three more in the sixth as Gutierrez led off with a single and came home on McCabe's double. Elguezabal was hit by a pitch and Jenni Patton walked to load the bases. Denton singled to score McCabe and Elguezabal to make it 7-4.

The Spartans came back to tie, however, in the top half of the seventh to set up a wild finish. Gutierrez walked with two outs and came all the way around to

score the winning run as McCabe tripled to give the Mustangs the win.

McCabe ended up going 3-5 with two RBIs, with a single, double and triple, and scoring twice. Gutierrez went 2-2 and scored three times. Denton went 2-4 with three RBIs. Elguezabal went 1-1 with an RBI and scored two runs. Rietmann went 2-4 with an RBI and went the distance on the mound to pick up the win.

In game two, the Mustangs picked up a run in the second as Patton walked and scored on a Rietmann double.

In the third inning, Elguezabal was hit by a pitch and Patton reached on a fielder's choice. Rietmann scored Elguezabal with a single and Patton came home on Denton's single.

The Spartans came back to take the lead with two runs in the fourth and three more in the sixth.

The Spartans held a 6-3 lead going into the bottom of the seventh before the Mustangs tried to rally. With one out, Denton and Charissa Gates walked and were moved to second and third on a sacrifice fly bunt by Nicole Sisk. Jesse Kempas then doubled down the left field line to score two and went to third as the ball got by the left fielder. But the rally ended there as Gutierrez hit a fly ball to deep centerfield that was caught for the third out.

Rietmann went 2-3 with a double and two RBIs. Denton went 1-3 with an RBI. Kempas had a two-RBI double and Patton scored twice.

Statistics

First Game:
Pine Eagle-0 10 300 3-7 82
Heppner-1 11 103 1-8 11 4
A. Peterson and Sciarrino; Shelley Rietmann and Jesse Gutierrez. W-Rietmann, L-A. Peterson. 2B-S. Peterson (PE), Marissa McCabe (H). 3B-McCabe (H). HR-none.
Second Game:
Pine Eagle-0 00 203 1-6 10 4
Heppner-0 12 000 2-5 53
A. Peterson and Sciarrino; Rietmann and Gutierrez. W-A. Peterson, L-Rietmann. 2B-A. Peterson, Sciarrino, S. Peterson, Bledsoe (PE), Rietmann, Jesse Kempas (H). 3B-none. HR-A. Peterson (PE).

Mustangs drop two

By Rick Paulus

The Heppner Mustangs dropped two games to the visiting Pilot Rock Rockets on Saturday, May 13, losing the first game 10-0 and the second 7-4. The losses dropped their Columbia Basin conference record to 4-4 and their overall record to 12-10, with one more league game against Weston-McEwen before the district tournament.

Despite the losses, the Mustangs will be the second seed out of the CBC east division and will play the Wahtonka Eagles in the district tournament on Saturday, May 20 in The Dalles. The Mustangs split two non-league games, with the Eagles earlier in the season, losing 11-10 in a rain-shortened game the first game of the year and beating the Eagles in Heppner in a slugfest, 16-12.

The first game against the Rockets was a 1-0 game going into the sixth before the wheels fell off as Pilot Rock scored five times in the sixth and four more in the seventh. The Mustangs could muster just five hits as Josh Hill doubled, and Stefan Matheny, Stanley Cutsforth, Kelly Paulus and Mark McElligott each had singles.

The Rockets took a 7-0 lead into the fifth inning of game two

before the Mustangs could finally get the "0" off the scoreboard as Zac Fabian walked and McElligott singled. Both runners moved up on an error. Matheny then hit a sacrifice fly to score Fabian, Michael McCabe singled and Cutsforth had a single to score McElligott to make it 7-2.

The Mustangs added two more in the sixth as Hill doubled and McElligott lofted a long fly ball to left field that just cleared the fence for a two-run home run.

That was all the Mustangs could muster as they went down quietly in the seventh.

McElligott went 2-3 with his two run homer and Hill went 2-3 with a double. Cutsforth went 2-3 and had an RBI.

Statistics

First Game:
Pilot Rock-1 00 005 4-10 9 0
Heppner-0 00 000 0-0 5 5
Jared Labrousse and Bobby Humphries; Dylan Pettyjohn, Michael McCabe (6), Travis Bellamy (7) and Stefan Matheny. Allan Gribbskov (6). W-Labrousse, L-Pettyjohn. 2B-Christensen (PR), Josh Hill (H). 3B-none. HR-none.
Second Game:
Pilot Rock-1 04 110 0-7 9 1
Heppner-0 00 022 0-4 7 0
Tim Alderman, Van Sohapp (7) and Humphries, Steik (7); Matheny and Gribbskov. W-Alderman, L-Matheny. 2B-Alderman, Erickson (PR), Hill (H). BB-non. HR-Humphries 2, Labrousse (PR), Mark McElligott (H).

St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

The big news around here is the upcoming Pioneer Memorial Day Dinner May 28. This project is coming together with great help from the community and out-of-town calls from folks who plan to attend. The central dinner committee, (Judy Buschke, Kathryn Hoskins, Jo Anne Burselson, Alice Voluntad, Meredith Walters, Ruby Steers, Judy Rickert and Jane Rawlins), plans to meet Friday, May 19, at 10 a.m. here in the dining room. Also, home-made pies for the dessert are being donated by numerous good cooks.

At the Wednesday meal, May 10, special congratulations went to Gladys Connor on her 92nd birthday. Since this was the Mother's Day dinner, she was also honored as a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother with a beautiful cake from her family to serve everyone. Gladys also merits appreciation for her years of service on the Nutrition Site Committee.

All the usual services continue, with the noon meal Wednesdays and exercise on Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m., cards on Tuesday and Friday at 1 p.m. Everyone is welcome. One of the regular players sends a message: "We play for fun, not blood. No gambling money on these tables."

Spelling contest winners announced

The 2000 Morrow County School District spelling contest was held May 11 at the Heppner Elementary School.

Division I winner was Steven Roberts from A.C. Houghton Elementary (ACH) in Irrigon. Division II winner was Amy Jepsen from Heppner Jr. High School (HJR). Division III winner was Randi McElligott of Ione High School (IHS).

Following is a complete list of winners:

Division I-first Steven Roberts, ACH; second a tie between Kayla LaRue and Miranda Hunt, both from Ione Elementary School (IES); third Seth Morgan, HES; fourth Tiana Camarillo, IES; fifth a tie between Karissa Givans, ACH, and Sarah Hickerson and Drew Prindle, HES; sixth Kimberli Muri, Sam Boardman

Elementary (SBE), seventh Courtney Kemp, SBE; eighth Amanda Kennedy, SBE; ninth Tucker Tovey, ACH.

Division II-first Amy Jepsen, HJR; second Emily Key, Ione Middle School (IMS); third Sam Stubenrauch, Columbia Middle School (CMS); fourth Terra Wilson, HJR; fifth Sonny Phipps, CMS; sixth Kim Morris, IMS; seventh Kristal Temple, HJR; eighth Nathalie McElligott, IMS.

Division III-first Randi McElligott, IHS; second Chrissa Chapman, Riverside High School (RHS); third Joey Bourrie, Heppner High School (HHS); fourth Jami Moore, RHS; fifth a tie between Til Tullis, IHS and Jesse Gutierrez, HHS; sixth Stephanie Clough, HHS; seventh Joseph Peck, RHS; eighth Jeremy Rietmann, IHS.

Garden plots available

Garden plots are now available at the Heppner community garden plot.

Cost is \$12 for a 12' by 12' plot. Watering is included in the cost.

To reserve a plot or for more information, call Kay Proctor, OSU Blue Mountain Master Gardener, 676-9827.

Justice Court Report

The Justice Court office at the courthouse annex building in Heppner reports handling the following business:

Domeny Whipple Johnson, 19, Heppner-Violation of the Basic Rule, 83 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$147 fine;

Harold Robert Bergstrom, 49, Heppner-Truck Speeding, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$99 fine;

Clinton Robert Carlson, 40, Ione-Violation of the Basic Rule, 74 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$77 fine;

Jessie Maria Davila, 53, Boardman-Violation of the Basic Rule, 79 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$132 fine;

Jerry D. Manning, 24, Hermiston-Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device (stop sign), \$197 fine, Driving while License Suspended (infraction), \$312 fine, Driving Uninsured, \$192 fine;

Dale J. Wilson, 22, Hermiston-Violation of the Basic Rule, 34 mph in a 25 mph zone, \$69 fine;

Delbert Darrel Dungan, 44, Heppner-DUII, 180 days in jail (170 days suspended), three years probation, complete alcohol education program and 100 hours of community service;

Nancy Ann Rodriguez, 28, Hermiston-Violation of the Basic Rule, 74 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$77 fine;

Marla Anderson, 30, Heppner-Permitting Dog to Run at Large, \$68 fine;

Terry Lee Hoberecht, 43, West Richland, WA.-Violation of the Basic Rule, 73 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$111 fine.

Obituary

Oren Jerry Brace

Oren Jerry Brace, 60, of Heppner, died at OHSU in Portland on April 15, 2000. Memorial service was held at the Heppner Elks Club on May 6, 2000.

Mr. Brace was born May 29, 1939, in Heppner, to Oren and Pearl Brace. He attended grade school at Eightmile and attended Heppner High School, where he graduated in 1958. He attended college in Pendleton.

He was a farmer most of his life, farming at Eightmile. He worked for the Bank of Eastern Oregon as a carrier for 10 years. He lived in Heppner most of his life except when he was in college and in the service. He was in the Army from 1960-1962, stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington.

Mr. Brace liked to play Santa Claus for the Heppner Elementary School and the Pioneer Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home. He loved to take pictures and especially taking rides in the country looking for deer to photograph. He also enjoyed playing catch with his dog, going to town for coffee and visiting for hours.

He helped deliver Thanksgiving and Christmas boxes for the Heppner Neighborhood Center.

He belonged to Search and Rescue for 16 years, was a member of Heppner Elks, Disabled Veterans of America of Portland and at one time was a member of the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon of Heppner; his brother, Bill and family of Irrigon; sister Doris of Pilot Rock; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his mother and father.

Omega Funeral and Cremation Service of Portland was in charge of arrangements.

Arts & Crafts Club to meet

The Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts Club will meet at 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 25, at Cal's Restaurant.

A group trip to Maryhill Museum will be discussed. Guests are welcome to attend.

W.C.C.C. Golf

WCCC Ladies' Play Tuesday, May 9

Low gross of the field: Pat Edmondson.

Low net of the field: Lynnea Sargent.

Least putts of the field: Luvilla Sonstegard.

Flight A: low gross Jan Paustian; low net Karen Bishop; least putts Dana Reid.

Flight B: low gross Lois Hunt; low net Suzanne Jepsen; least putts Carole Hamilton and Betty Christman.

Flight C: low gross Jackie Allstott; low net Barbara Gilbert; least putts Patti Allstott.

Chip in: #5 Jan Paustian, #1 Lynnea Sargent, #8 Carole Hamilton.

Jack and Jill Tournament Friday, May 12

Selective Drive Scotch Ball Gross: first John and Pat Edmondson, second Stub Lewis and Joyce Dinkins, third Rodney Ehrmantraut and Shari Stahl.

Net: first a tie between Earl and Peggy Fishburn and Ralph and Sally Walker, third Dave and Carol Mitchell.

Special events: long putt #2-Stub Lewis and Joyce Dinkins; KP #4-Pat Edmondson; KP #6-John and Pat Edmondson.

School Calendar

Heppner High School

Thursday, May 18-Last day of school for seniors.

Friday, May 19-State track meet, Monmouth.

Saturday, May 20-State track meet, Monmouth; Baseball district, The Dalles; Softball district playoff, LaGrande, noon.

Monday, May 22-Academic awards dessert, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 23-Sports dessert, 7 p.m.

Thursday, May 24-Junior/Senior breakfast, 7 a.m.; Baccalaureate, St. Patrick Catholic Church, 7:15 p.m.

Friday, May 26-Ione High School graduation, 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 27-Heppner High graduation, 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 28-Riverside High School graduation, 2 p.m.

Monday, May 29-Memorial Day Holiday, no school.

Tuesday, May 30-Junior High awards, 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 1-Heppner Elementary School awards.

Friday, June 2-School day, end of fourth quarter and end of second semester, last day of school for students.

Saturday, June 3-Heppner eighth grade celebration, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 6-Last day of school for teachers.

Monday, June 12-School board meeting, Riverside High School, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 14-Site Council meeting, 7 p.m.

Ione Schools

Thursday, May 18-Last day for seniors.

Saturday, May 20-Softball district playoffs, La Grande, 12 p.m.; District baseball, The Dalles.

Monday, May 22-Lions Club Italian Dinner.

Tuesday, May 23-Academic/sports banquet, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 24-Ione High School Baccalaureate, Valby Lutheran Church, 7 p.m.

Friday, May 26-Ione High School graduation, 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 27-Heppner High School graduation, 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 28-Riverside High School graduation, 2 p.m.

Monday May 29-Memorial Day, no school.

Tuesday, May 30-Ione eighth grade dinner, 5:30 p.m.; Ione Middle School sports awards, 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 1-Semester exams.

Friday, June 2-School day, semester exams, last day of school for students

Tuesday, June 6-Last day of school for teachers.

Tuesday, June 13-Ione Pool opens.

Mustangs pound Tigers

By Rick Paulus

The Heppner Mustangs pounded out 11 hits, including five doubles, a triple and a home run, to beat the Stanfield Tigers, 11-0, in five innings at Stanfield on Tuesday, May 9. The win clinched second place in the Columbia Basin Conference East division and a spot at the district tournament in The Dalles on Saturday, May 20.

The Mustangs got going early as Stefan Matheny reached on an error and came home as Michael McCabe gave himself a birthday present with a home run to right field.

In the second, Allan Gribbskov led off with a double, Josh Hill singled, Dylan Pettyjohn had an RBI single and Mark McElligott had an RBI double. Matheny walked, Nick Anthony had a sacrifice fly and Stanley Cutsforth had an RBI double to give the Mustangs a 6-0 lead.

In the third, Gribbskov singled, Hill doubled and Pettyjohn reached on an error to score Gribbskov. Matheny followed that up with a sacrifice fly to score

Hill.

The Mustangs added three more in the fifth as McElligott singled, Matheny singled and McElligott came home on a passed ball. Zac Fabian tripled to deep right center to score Matheny and McCabe had a sacrifice fly to score Fabian to make it 11-0.

Pettyjohn finished with a one hit shutout, striking out six with just one walk. He helped himself out at the plate, going 2-3 with a double and two RBIs.

Gribbskov went 2-2 with a double, and Hill and McElligott each went 2-3 with doubles. McCabe went 1-2 with a home run and three RBIs, while Cutsforth had a double and two RBIs. Matheny went 1-2 with an RBI and scored three runs. Fabian had a pinch-hit RBI triple.

Statistics

Heppner-2 4 2 0 3-11 11 0
Stanfield-0 0 0 0-0 0 1 2
Dylan Pettyjohn and Stefan Matheny; Seegar, Pollick (5) and Pollick, McLouth, W-Pettyjohn, L-Seegar. 2B-Pettyjohn, Josh Hill, Allan Gribbskov, Mark McElligott, Stanley Cutsforth (H). 3B-Zac Fabian (H). HR-Michael McCabe (H).

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