

## Knowles picked for Shrine team, Craig Scott alternate

Blake Knowles, Heppner High School senior, has been selected as the school's representative to the 2001 Shriner's Hospital Oregon East-West All Star Football Game.

Craig Scott, also a senior at Heppner High School, was selected as alternate.

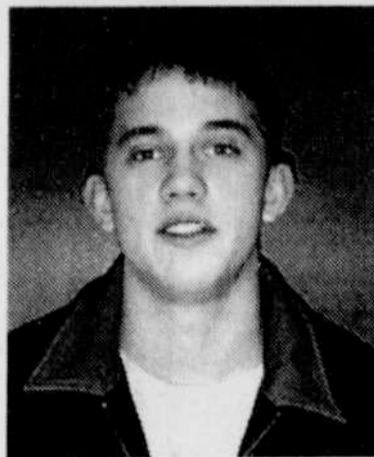
Knowles, a 6'3", 200 lb. tight end/defensive end, is the son of Butch and Mary Knowles, Buttercreek.

Scott, a 5'10", 185 lb. running back/linebacker, is the son of Alan and Debbie Scott, Heppner.

The complete East team is as follows: **1A teams: District 3-** Ben Morris, 6'5", 185 lb. WR/S, Dufur; Chris Marcum, 5'10", 210 lb. RB/LB, Echo; **District 4-** Kiel Gekeler, 6', 225 lb. G/T Cove; Eli Bingham, 6', 153 lb. WR/S, North Powder; **2A teams: District 5-** Scott McNair, 5'11", 160 lb., WR/LB, Gold Beach; Cameron Causey, 6'3", 230 lb. FB/LB, Glendale; **District 6-** Brad Hadley, 5'9", 160 lb. RB/DB, Bonanza; Eric Beasley, 5'10", 175 lbs. QB/S, Lost River; Brian Edwards, 6'3", 235 lb. FB/DT, Cascade Christian; **District 7-** Knowles, Heppner; Cheyenne Langston, 5'11", 185 lb. RB/S, Sherman County; David Salas, 5'9", 205 lb. FB/LB, Umatilla; **District 8-** Jake Holcomb, 6'3" 195 lb. QB/DE, Nyssa; Jake Stokoff, 5'11", 185 lb. T/LB, Union; Clint Stein, 6'6" 230 lb. TE/DE, Joseph; Joby Sciarano, 5'11", 195 lb. T/LB, Pine-Eagle; **3A teams: District 5-** Tim Crawley, 6', 200 lb. RB/DB, Marist; David Rossiter, (no info available) RB/LB, Pleasant Hill; Chris Miles, 6'2", 225 lb. OL/DL, Junction City; **District 6-** Joey Leroy, 5'10" 215 lb. G/LB, Henley; Josh



Blake Knowles



Craig Scott

Hagemeyer, 6'4", 247 lb. C/LB, Hidden Valley; Brendan Guirke, 6', 165 lb. QB/S, Mazama; Brandon Glasscock, 5'9", 242 lb. C/LB, Rogue River; **District 7-** Kelley Gillgore, 5'8", 155 lb. WR/DB, Burns; Tyler Shafer, 6', 175 lb. WR/DB, Vale; Aaron Mathews, 5'8", 170 lb. RB/DB, Grant Union; **District 8-** Jeff Charleston, 6'3" 230 lb. TE/LB, Central; Andy Ellis, 6', 245 lb. FB/LB, Sweet Home; Ross Hayes, 5'9", 167 lb. WR/DB, Sisters; Darin Dalke, 6'3", 170 lb. QB/DB, Cascade.

## Second-half run carries Mustangs to win over TigerScots

By Rick Paullus

A 26-6 run in the third quarter broke open a close game and carried the Heppner Mustang varsity boys to a 74-44 win over the visiting Weston-McEwen TigerScots on Friday, Feb. 9, in a Columbia Basin Conference game. The win improved the second place Mustangs' record to 9 and 2 in the CBC and 14 and 5 overall.

The Mustangs jumped out to a 10-2 lead as Ryan Matteson made three of four free throws, Blake Knowles hit a three-pointer and two free throws and Craig Scott hit a jumper. The TigerScots came back to get within 10-6. David Piper then hit a short jumper off an inbounds pass to give the Mustangs a 12-6 lead after one.

Michael McCabe hit a short jumper and Stefan Matheny hit two to give the Mustangs an 18-8 lead, but the TigerScots came back to get within 18-15. Scott scored off a rebound, then Weston-McEwen got to within 20-19 before McCabe converted a three-point play. He then got a steal and a lay-in to make it 25-19. McCabe hit Matteson for a lay-in but the TigerScots narrowed the lead to 27-23 at halftime.

Scott made a steal and lay-in, but the TigerScots tied the game at 29-29 early in the third before the Mustangs made their run. Scott hit a baseline jumper, Matheny made a free throw, Knowles scored on a rebound, Matteson hit a three-pointer, McCabe fed Knowles for a lay-in and Matteson hit another three to make it 42-29.

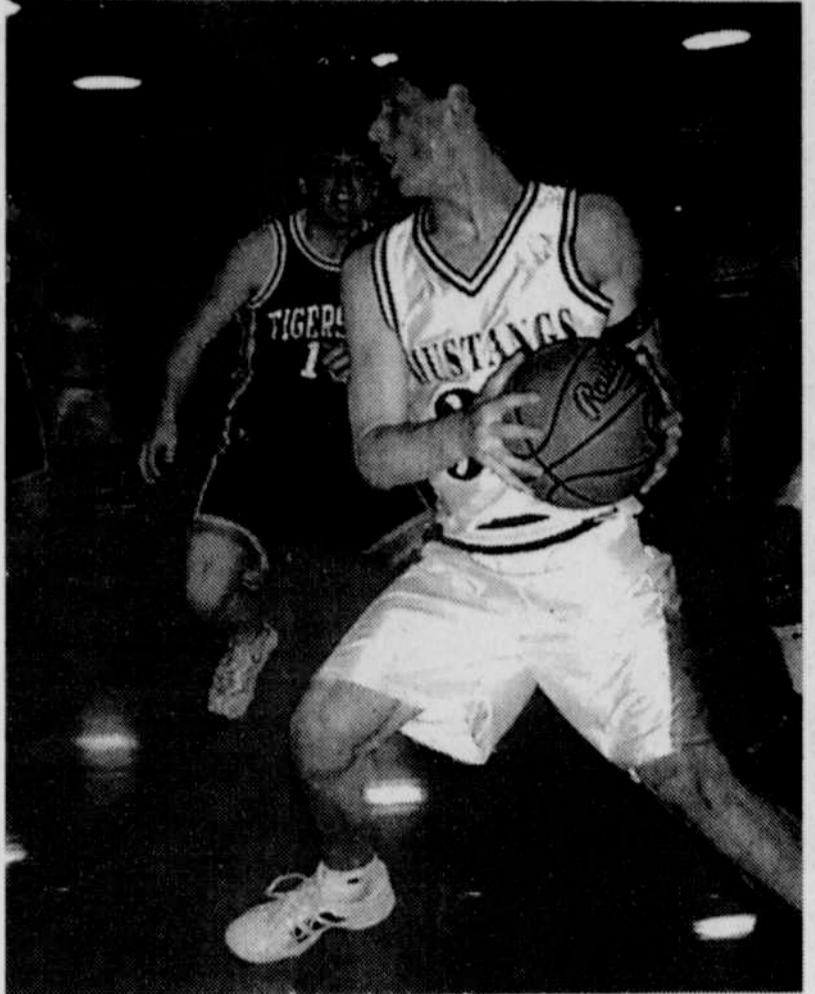
The TigerScots scored four straight points, but Matheny came back with a three-pointer and

Matteson scored on a nice pass from McCabe to make it 47-33. Matteson hit another three-pointer and scored off a rebound and Knowles converted a three-point play with one second left to give the Mustangs a 55-35 lead going into the fourth.

Scott got a steal and lay-in and Piper hit two free throws to make it 49-40. The Mustangs then put together another run as Joe Papineau hit a rebound basket, Scott scored off a Knowles' steal, McCabe fed Papineau for a lay-in and Matteson hit a three-pointer to make it 68-40. McCabe hit a spinning jump shot from the middle of the key, Brian Rust hit two free throws and Chuy Elguezabal made a lay-in as the Mustangs took the lopsided win.

Matteson led the Mustangs with 21 points, hitting six of seven shots in the second half and pulled down five rebounds. Scott hit six of nine shots for 12 points, had four steals, four rebounds and two assists. Knowles had 12 points and six rebounds. McCabe hit four of seven shots for nine points, five assists and four steals. Matheny had eight points and three assists. Papineau pulled down seven rebounds. The Mustangs hit 12 of 15 free throws for the game.

Statistics  
Weston-McEwen: 6 17 12 9 - 44  
Heppner: 12 15 28 19 - 74  
Weston-McEwen (44): Perrine 5 0-0 10, Jorgensen 4 0-0 8, Lieualien 2 1-2 6, Langford 2 1-2 6, Johnson 2 2-2 6, Peterson 2 0-0 4, Monaco 2 0-0 4, Delph, Quaepts, McClouth, Tucker, 19 4-6 44. Three-pointers: Lieualien, Langford.  
Heppner (74): Ryan Matteson 7 3-5 21, Craig Scott 6 0-0 12, Blake Knowles 4 3-3 12, Michael McCabe 4 1-1 9, Stefan Matheny 3 1-2 8, Chip Piper 1 2-2 4, Joe Papineau 2 0-0 4, Brian Rust 0 2-2 2, Chuy Elguezabal 1 0-0 2, Sam Van Liew, Brad Adams, 28 12-15 74. Three-pointers: Matteson (4), Knowles, Matheny.



Blake Knowles starts his drive to the basket.

## 'C' team boys win again

By Rick Paullus

For the third time this year, the Heppner Mustang 'C' team boys beat the Umatilla Vikings in a close game, coming from behind to win 50-44 in Umatilla on Tuesday, Feb. 6. The win kept the Mustangs undefeated at 9 and 0 on the year.

Conor Kilkenny scored four points and Aaron Griffith hit a three-pointer in the first quarter, but the Mustangs trailed 9-7 after one. Kiel Nairns scored three points in the second but the Mustangs fell behind, 21-17, at halftime.

Josh Winters scored five points; Brian Smith, four, Justin Botefur hit four of four free throws and Griffith hit another three-pointer to help the Mustangs to a 36-32 lead

after three quarters. Doug Orwick converted a three-point play as the Mustangs held on in the fourth to take the win.

The Mustangs hit 20 of 35 free throws for the game, with Botefur hitting six of eight.

Griffith led the Mustangs with eight points, followed by Kilkenny and Smith with seven points each.

Statistics  
Heppner: 7 10 19 14 - 50  
Umatilla: 9 12 11 12 - 44  
Heppner (50): Aaron Griffith 3 0-2 8, Conor Kilkenny 3 1-3 7, Brian Smith 2 3-6 7, Justin Botefur 0 6-8 6, Doug Orwick 1 1-1 3, Kiel Nairns 1 1-2 3, Zack Skaggs 1 1-2 3, Ben Turrell 0 2-2 2, Darin Skaggs 0 2-2 2, Josh Winters 1 3-7 5, Judd Shepherd 1 0-0 2, Adam Wight 1 0-0 2, Kyler Lovgren, Matt Young, 14 20-25 50. Three-pointers: Griffith (2).

## Mustang 'C' team boys beat Cardinals

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang boys' "C" team stayed unbeaten by defeating the visiting Ione Cardinals, 56-48, on Monday, Feb. 12, running their record to 10-0 on the year.

Josh Winters scored five points and Aaron Griffith hit a three-pointer in the first as the Mustangs took a 15-10 lead after one. Griffith scored five and Zack Skaggs, four, in the second, as the Mustangs took a 28-21 lead at halftime.

Ione rallied in the third, getting to within 40-36 after three, despite Winters scoring seven points in the quarter. Ione took a 41-40 lead on a Brian Gutierrez three-pointer with five minutes left in the fourth.

Doug Orwick hit a free throw to tie and Kyler Lovgren hit a jumper and a free throw to give the Mustangs a 44-41 lead with 3:48 left. The Cardinals scored to get

within 45-43, but Winters hit a jumper and Skaggs converted a three-point play to make it 50-43. Winters hit a three-pointer with 2:00 left and Skaggs scored on a nice pass from Griffith to put the game away.

Winters led the Mustangs with 17 points, including two three-pointers, followed by Skaggs with 14. Griffith finished with nine points and Lovgren added five.

Statistics  
Ione: 10 11 15 12 - 48  
Heppner: 15 13 12 16 - 56  
Ione (48): Tworek 7 0-0 19, Gutierrez 3 2-7 9, Radie 3 1-2 7, Hunt 1 2-2 4, Krebs 2 0-0 4, Neiffer 2 0-0 4, Collin 0 1-2 1, Thompson, Campbell, Bergstrom, Doherty, 18 6-13 48. Three-pointers: Tworek (5), Gutierrez.  
Heppner (56): Josh Winters 7 1-1 17, Zack Skaggs 6 2-7 14, Aaron Griffith 3 0-2 8, Kyler Lovgren 2 1-4 5, Justin Botefur 2 0-1 4, Ben Turrell 1 0-0 2, Doug Orwick 0 2-4 2, Adam Wight 0 1-4 1, Brian Smith 0 1-2 1, Conor Kilkenny 0 1-2 1, Christian Moller 0 0-0 4, Kiel Nairns, Judd Shepherd, 20 13-35 56. Three-pointers: Winters (2), Griffith.

## Ione 'C' team loses to Heppner

The Ione "C" team took on the Heppner Mustangs on Monday evening, Feb. 12. Heppner outscored Ione, 56-49.

Aaron Tworek was on fire, dumping in 16 points for Ione. Tworek connected with four buckets from the three-point territory. Tworek also captured three rebounds, delivered one assist and seized five steals.

Mike Radie had an outstanding night, throwing in 10 points, one from the three-point range. Radie also apprehended five rebounds, delivered two assists and seized two steals. Brian Gutierrez scored nine points, one ball connecting for a three-point shot. Gutierrez was also responsible for four rebounds, two assists and four steals. Paul Neiffer added five points, captured eight rebounds, handed out two assists and grabbed three steals.

Cayle Krebs scored four points, apprehended eight rebounds, delivered three assists and robbed three Mustang possessions. Jeff Hunt scored four points and was the leader on the boards with nine rebounds. Also helping out on the boards were the following-Til Tullis with four rebounds, Derek Campbell with two rebounds, Cody Bergstrom with one rebound and Johnny Collin with two rebounds. Collin also made one free throw to aid his team on the scoreboard.

The Cardinals shot 35 percent from the field and 50 percent from the free throw line.

Coach Jim Swanson commented, "We lost this game with some silly turnovers and fouls. They went to the line 33 times to our 12. This was a game we could have won and it was a good feeling knowing that."

## Ione varsity boys destroy Echo

Ione Cardinal varsity men totally devoured Echo on Saturday, Feb. 10, handing the Cougars a 54-28 loss.

The game appeared to be a close one, with Ione leading by one point, 17-16, at the end of the first quarter. The Cardinals came out in the second quarter and continued to raise havoc, scoring an additional 22 points and holding Echo to eight additional points, widening the lead to 17 points by the half.

Brad Burrigh was the leading point producer, scoring 10 of his 18 total points in the second quarter. Burrigh also captured eight rebounds, delivered one assist and apprehended four steals. Aaron Brown scored 13 points, delivered two assists, captured 13 rebounds and seized two steals from his former teammates. Korey Morgan added 11 points, rendered four assists, captured one rebound and seized two steals for the Cardinals.

Cory Bennetto scored six points, handed out three assists, seized eight rebounds and four steals. Zac Fabian added two rockets, launched from three-point territory for a total of six points. Brooks Rea scored four points, dished out one assist, captured two rebounds and snared one steal.

Adam Neiffer added four points, delivered one assist, brought down four rebounds, snagged three steals and blocked one Cougar shot attempt. Dustin Haguewood scored two points, handed out two assists, grabbed seven rebounds and nabbed two steals for the Cardinals. Sophomore Karl Morgan also added two points to the Ione scoreboard.

This was the final game for the six seniors who led the Ione team. All seniors added their touch, each scoring in their final game.

Ione men shot 81 percent at the foul line and 41 percent from the field. Ione out-rebounded Echo, 44-17.

## Lady Cards lose to Wheeler

Ione Cardinal varsity women tried extremely hard to overcome the Wheeler Falcons, on Friday, February Feb. 9, throwing up the shots but the ball did not want to fall in the Ione bucket. To add pain to misery, Wheeler played one of their best games the entire season to defeat Ione, 43-26.

Amellia Peck led the Ione scoring with 11 points. Peck also apprehended five rebounds, handed out one assist and seized one Falcon possession. Natalie McElligott

scored four points, brought down four rebounds, grabbed two steals and delivered one assist. Salli McElligott added four points and four rebounds to her team's attempt. Kristina Powell scored four points, captured five rebounds and one steal. Cyndi Heagy added three points, snared six rebounds and one steal. Diana McElligott captured seven rebounds, two steals and delivered two assists.

Ione shot 22 percent from the field and 31 percent from the foul line.

## Ione 'C' team boys lose to spray

Ione "C" team men put forth a noble effort against Spray before being defeated, 49-37. Ione had excellent play the first three quarters of their game with the third quarter ending with each team having 30 points. The Eagles added 19 points to their score and Ione men had a difficult time getting their shots to fall.

Aaron Tworek led the Ione score with nine points. Tworek also grabbed one rebound and seized six steals. Brian Gutierrez aided Tworek with nine points and was also one of the leaders on the boards, capturing 12 rebounds for his team. Gutierrez also delivered three assists and apprehended six steals. Cayle Krebs scored six points, led the team with 13 rebounds and handed out two assists. Cody Bergstrom connected with a missile launched from the three-point territory for

a total of three points and grabbed two rebounds.

Johnny Collin scored two points and apprehended one rebound. Curtis Thompson scored two points and captured five rebounds. Jeff Hunt added two points and seized one rebound. Paul Neiffer scored two points, captured eight rebounds, delivered two assists and seized one steal. Mike Radie contributed two points and apprehended six rebounds. Aiding the Ione team on the boards were Til Tullis with three rebounds and Tim Doherty with one rebound.

Coach Jim Swanson was pleased with the level of play his team displayed. "They played 10 times better than the last time we played Spray. All of the team members have improved and are playing with great confidence."

## Ione varsity girls defeated

Ione Cardinal varsity women were unable to recoup their losses from the evening before and succumbed to the Echo Cougars, 31-26, on Saturday, Feb. 10.

Again, Ione had a difficult time getting their shots to fall. The game was pretty physical and resulted in junior Salli McElligott colliding with Echo's largest player, causing her to get a concussion in the third quarter.

Amellia Peck led the Ione team with eight points. Peck captured one rebound, four steals and delivered two assists. Salli McElligott added six points and one rebound before her untimely

injury. Natalie McElligott scored five points, seized four rebounds, two steals and blocked one shot attempt.

Shelby Krebs scored three points, brought down one rebound and seized two steals. Cyndi Heagy added two points, five rebounds, two steals and one blocked shot to her team's effort. Kristina Powell scored two points, led the Cardinals on the boards with 12 rebounds, blocked one shot, nabbed three steals and delivered one assist.

The Lady Cardinals again had a difficult time at the free throw line, shooting only 33 percent.



The Ione PeeWee basketball team

photo by Debbie Radie