

## Big second half carries Mustangs past Vikings

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustangs used a big second half to take a 46-12 win over the visiting Umatilla Vikings on Friday, Sept. 20, in their first Columbia Basin Conference game of the year. The Mustangs (4-1 overall) led just 13-6 at halftime, but turned up their play a notch in the second half, outscoring the Vikings, 33-0, until the last minute of the game.

The Mustangs play at Pilot Rock on Friday, Sept. 27, at 7 p.m. for their next CBC game.

The Mustangs got off to a good start taking over at the Umatilla 45-yard line after forcing a punt as Brad Adams rushed twice for 21 yards and Chuy Elguezabal hit Justin Botefuhr for a 15-yard gain but they turned the ball over on a fumble at the fourteen.

The defense held again with the Mustangs taking over at the Viking thirty-seven after another short punt and Tyler Boyer rushed three times for 24 yards but a holding penalty brought it back to the 20-yard line. After a short gain on a pass to Luke Murray, Elguezabal kept the ball on the option for 18 yards and a touchdown. Kyler Lovgren kicked the extra point to make it 7-0.

Boyer intercepted a Viking pass on their next possession but the Mustangs were unable to move the ball. The teams traded punts before a punt return for a touchdown by Elguezabal was called back for an illegal block giving the Mustangs the ball at their own 28-yard line.

The Mustangs then gave the ball to Adams as he rushed eight times for 65 yards taking it in from the one for the touchdown. The kick was no good but the Mustangs led 13-0 with 3:35 left in the first half.

The Vikings scored a touchdown with a little over a minute left to get within 13-6 and the ensuing kick-off was returned by Boyer for a touchdown but a penalty brought the ball back to the Mustang 23-yard line.

The Mustangs brought the second half kick-off back to the Viking 49-yard line and right to work as Adams picked up four yards, Botefuhr caught a 21-yard pass from Elguezabal, Adams went for five, Boyer went for six but a hold took it back to the nineteen. Boyer ran for seven, Elguezabal hit Luke Murray for a nine-yard gain to the three where Adams took it in for the touchdown. Elguezabal hit Murray for the two-point conversion to make it 21-6.

The defense held forcing a punt which Elguezabal brought back 76 yards for a touchdown and this time there were no flags. The conversion failed and but the Mustangs led 27-6 with 5:34 left in the third.

After forcing another punt, Conner Kilkenny and Brian Smith tackled the Viking punter for an eight-yard loss giving the Mustangs the ball at the 26-yard line. The Mustangs were unable

to get a first-down and gave the ball back to the Vikings at the 17-yard line, but Donald Adams picked off a pass at the 20-yard line.

The Mustangs fumbled the ball back to the Vikings but Botefuhr picked off another deflected pass and returned it to the Viking twelve. Faced with a fourth and seven at the nine Adams took a screen pass into the end zone getting good blocks from Adam Bergstrom and Brian Haguewood. Lovgren's kick was good to make it 34-6 after three quarters.

The Mustangs forced another punt but coughed up the ball again as the Vikings recovered another fumble at their own 39-yard line.

The Vikings were forced to punt again but the snap sailed over the head of the punter which was scooped up by Robert Whalen at the twenty-five who ran it in for the touchdown to make it 40-6.

In the Vikings next drive, Jode Coil picked off a pass and returned it 48 yards to the 32-yard line. Matt Kenny ran twice for five yards before Cody Walton gained 25 yards on a reverse. Walton then took it in for the Mustangs final touchdown.

The Vikings scored a meaningless touchdown with less than a minute left to make the final 46-12.

Brad and Donald Adams again led the Mustangs defense with 19 points each with Murray adding 18 points, Coil 15 points and Smith and Botefuhr getting nine points each.

Adams finished with 110 yards on 15 carries with Elguezabal gaining 52 yards on 18 carries and completed seven of 17 passes for 66 yards. Walton carried five times for 46 yards and Boyer had 33 yards on seven carries. Murray caught three passes for 20 yards and Botefuhr had two receptions for 36 yards.

Umatilla 0 6 0 6-12  
Heppner 7 6 21 12-46

**First Quarter**  
Heppner- Chuy Elguezabal 18-yard run (Kyler Lovgren kick) 4:57

**Second Quarter**  
Heppner- Brad Adams one-yard run (kick failed) 3:45  
Umatilla- Andre Pharr nine-yard pass from Tony Villanueva (pass failed) 1:14

**Third Quarter**  
Heppner- Adams three-yard run (Luke Murray pass from Elguezabal) 8:33  
Heppner- Elguezabal 76-yard punt return (pass failed) 5:34  
Heppner- Adams nine-yard pass from Elguezabal (Lovgren kick) :30

**Fourth Quarter**  
Heppner- Robert Whalen fumble return (pass failed) 8:58  
Heppner- Cody Walton two-yard run (run failed) 4:27  
Umatilla- Justin Bissonette nine-yard pass from Villanueva (pass failed) :54

**Individual Statistics**  
**Rushing:** Umatilla- Fay Purcell 12-26; Pharr 9-18; Villanueva 1-8; Vince Strong 1-2; and Giz Aguilar 5-(4-2). Heppner- Adams 15-110; Elguezabal 8-52; Walton 5-46; Tyler Boyer 7-33;

Murray 5-19; Matt Kenny 2-5; and Tanner Britt 1-(1-1).  
**Passing:** Umatilla- Villanueva 12-35-4 139. Heppner- Elguezabal 7-17-0 66.  
**Receiving:** Umatilla- Strong 3-43; Bissonette 3-39; Aguilar 3-31; and Pharr 3-26. Heppner- Murray 3-20; Justin Botefuhr 2-36; Adams 1-9; and Jode Coil 1-1.

**Team Statistics**  
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## Colts win their first game of the season

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The Heppner Colts won their first game of the season in Hermiston, beating Simplot, 33-0, on Wednesday, Sept. 18. Their next game will be at Boardman on Wednesday, Sept. 25, at 6 p.m.

On their first possession of the game against Simplot, the Colts used two long runs by Dalton Wellman to set up a seven-yard touchdown run by Spencer Palmer. Palmer ran in the conversion to give the Colts a 7-0 lead after one quarter.

The next time the Colts had the ball Brian Holland broke free for a long gain then took it in from 10 yards out for their second touchdown. Palmer ran in the conversion to make it 14-0.

Brent Eckman then intercepted a Simplot pass and returned it 55 yards for a touchdown. The kick was no good but the Colts led 20-0 at halftime.

In the third quarter Eckman took off around end for 30 yards to the five, then took in for the touchdown. Chance Day caught the conversion pass from Eckman to make it 27-0 after three.

Thomas Elguezabal recovered a Simplot fumble in the fourth quarter to set up the Colts last touchdown. Long gains by Palmer set up a five-yard touchdown run by Mark McCabe. The extra point kick was no good but the Colts had a 33-0 lead late in the game.

The Colts defense was led by Matt Holland, Chance Day, Ben Wood, Bo Foster, Wacy Coil, Palmer and Eckman.  
Heppner 7 13 7 6-33  
Simplot 0 0 0 0-0

**First Quarter**  
Colts- Spencer Palmer seven-yard run (Palmer run)

**Second Quarter**  
Colts- Brian Holland 10-yard run (Palmer run)  
Colts- Brent Eckman 55-yard interception return (kick failed)

**Third Quarter**  
Colts- Eckman five-yard run (Chance Day pass from Eckman)

**Fourth Quarter**  
Colts- Mark McCabe five-yard run (kick failed)

## Mustang JVs beat Eagles

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The Heppner Mustang JV football team rallied past the visiting Wahtonka Eagles, 38-22, to run their record to 3 and 0 on the year. The Mustangs will be at home against the Ione Cardinals on Monday, Sept. 30, at 5 p.m.

The Eagles scored first and converted the two-point conversion, but the Mustangs came right back on a 50-yard pass and run from Josh Lankford to Aaron Griffith. The conversion run was stopped so the Eagles still led, 8-6.

On the Mustangs' next possession, Aaron Delveaux broke free for a 44-yard touchdown on the last play of the first quarter. Delveaux ran in the two-point conversion to make it 14-8.

The Eagles came back to tie it at 14-14 on a 58-yard run early in the second quarter.

The Mustangs came back getting a 25-yard pass to Jode Coil from Lankford to set up an eight-yard run but Matt Kenny. The conversion run failed but the Mustangs led 20-14.

They got the ball back late in the second quarter deep in their territory but a 35-yard run by Kenny and a 30-yard pass from Lankford to Coil moved the ball to the thirty-one of the Eagles. Coil then took in a tipped halfback pass from Kenny for a touchdown. James VanLiew recovered a fumble with nine seconds left in the half to preserve a 26-14 lead for the Mustangs at halftime.

The Eagles put together a drive in the third quarter scoring a touchdown and the two-point conversion to get within 26-22.

Coil took the ball around and on the Mustangs first play after the kick-off and scored on a 57-yard run to make it 32-22 after three.

The Mustangs tacked on another score in the fourth on an 18-yard run by Cody Walton with 3:12 left to make it 38-22.

Kory Paullus recovered a fumble with a minute and a half left and the Mustangs ran out the clock to preserve the win.  
Wahtonka 8 6 8 0-22  
Heppner 14 12 6 6-38

**First Quarter**  
Wahtonka- One-yard run (pass good) 3:31

Heppner- Aaron Griffith 50-yard pass from Josh Lankford (run failed) 2:51

Heppner- Aaron Delveaux 44-yard run (Delveaux run) :00

**Second Quarter**  
Wahtonka- 58-yard run (run failed) 8:25

Heppner- Matt Kenny 8-yard run (run failed) 4:49

Heppner- Jode Coil 31-yard pass from Kenny (run failed) :54

**Third Quarter**  
Wahtonka- Five-yard run (run good) 3:21

Heppner- Coil 57-yard run (run failed) 3:04

**Fourth Quarter**  
Heppner- Cody Walton 18-yard run (pass failed) 3:12

## Morrow County Fair 2002 results are as follows:

**Quick & Easy Ground Beef Main Dish Contest (Foods and Nutrition):** Emily Rietmann, Ione, CH and B, with a special award for Quick & Easy Ground Beef - 1st Place; Margaret E Armato, Heppner, RC, B with a special award for Quick & Easy Ground Beef - 2nd Place; Matt R. Holland, Heppner, RC, B, with a special award for Quick & Easy Ground Beef - 3rd Place; Kelli E. Jones, Boardman, B; Jordan Mittelsdorf, Boardman, B; Kenna Purcell, Boardman, B; Kelsie Fox, Heppner, B; Bryan P. Holland, Heppner, B; Drew Johnson, Heppner, B; Alex Carlson, Ione, B; Caitlin Costello, Boardman, R; Beth Dirksen, Boardman, R; Amanda Kennedy, Boardman, R; Samantha R Pedro, Boardman, R.

**Junior Food Preparation Contest, Snacks (Foods and Nutrition):** Catherine M.E. McElligott, Heppner, CH, B with a special award for Champion Junior Snack Contest; Jack D. Fisher, Boardman, RC, B; Matt R. Holland, Heppner, RC, B; Jordan M. Graff, Boardman, B; Kelli E. Jones, Boardman, B with a special award for Best Junior Cooking Contest Using Honey; Kenna Purcell, Boardman, B; Margaret E. Armato, Heppner, B; Bryan P. Holland, Heppner, B; Eric J. Jepsen, Heppner, B; Ashley L. Wolff, Heppner, B; Tiana J. Camarillo, Ione, B; Kara E. Clay, Ione, B; Clayton M. Morter, Ione, B; Brenna K. Rietmann, Ione, B; Jordan Mittelsdorf, Boardman, R.

**Food Prep, Int, Fruit or Vegetable Dish (Foods and Nutrition):** Stephanie Holland, Ione, CH, B.

**Junior Food Preparation Contest, Cookies (Foods and Nutrition):** Baillie Keithley, Heppner, CH, B with a special award for Champion Junior Cookie Baking Contest; Kelsey Wolff, Heppner, CH, B with a special award for Champion Junior Cookie Baking Contest; Margaret E. Armato, Heppner, RC, B; Alex Carlson, Ione, RC, B; Jordan M. Graff, Boardman, R; Drew Johnson, Heppner, R.

**Junior Food Preparation Contest, Measuring (Foods**

**and Nutrition):** Ashley L. Wolff, Heppner, CH, B with a special award for Champion Junior Measuring Contest; Kelli E. Jones, Boardman, B; Kaylee Helfrecht, Heppner, B; Matt R. Holland, Heppner, B; Sherilyn M. Peck, Heppner, B; Emily J. Thompson, Heppner, B; Alex Carlson, Ione, B; Amanda Kennedy, Boardman, R; Samantha R. Pedro, Boardman, R; Destiny George, Heppner, R; Bryan P. Holland, Heppner, R; Eric J. Jepsen, Heppner, R; Drew Johnson, Heppner, R; Catherine M.E. McElligott, Heppner, R; Brenna K. Rietmann, Ione, R.

**Junior Food Preparation Contest, Salad or Sandwich (Foods and Nutrition):** Emily Rietmann, Ione, CH, B with a special award for Champion Junior Salad Or Sandwich Contest; Matt R. Holland, Heppner, RC, B; Kara E. Clay, Ione, RC, B; Beth Dirksen, Boardman, B; Kenna Purcell, Boardman, B; Kelsey Wolff, Heppner, B; Tiana J. Camarillo, Ione, B; Justin Key, Lexington, B; Caitlin Costello, Boardman, R; Jordan Mittelsdorf, Boardman, R; Kelsie Fox, Heppner, R; Victoria A. Heagy, Ione, R; Clayton M. Morter, Ione, R.

**Food Prep, Senior, Dairy Product (Foods and Nutrition):** Paula Spicerkuhn, Heppner, B.

**Food Prep, Int, Main Dish (Foods and Nutrition):** Barbara Holland, Ione, CH, B, B.

**Mini-Meal, Food and Nutrition, Int (Foods and Nutrition):** Barbara Holland, Ione, CH, B; Stephanie Holland, Ione, RC, B; Jace Jones, Boardman, B; Stephen Juergenson, Boardman, B.  
**Mini-Meal, Food and Nutrition, Senior (Foods and Nutrition):** Cameron Krebs, Ione, CH, B; Paula Spicerkuhn, Heppner, RC, B.

**Judging Contest, Food and Nutrition, Junior (Foods and Nutrition):** Drew Johnson, Heppner, CH, B; Tiana J. Camarillo, Ione, RC, B; Kenna Purcell, Boardman, B; Margaret E. Armato, Heppner, B; Bryan P. Holland, Heppner, B; Eric J. Jepsen, Heppner, B; Sherilyn M. Peck, Heppner, B; Ashley L. Wolff, Heppner, B; Kelsey Wolff, Heppner, B; Brenna K. Rietmann, Ione, B; Emily Rietmann, Ione, B; Kelli E. Jones, Boardman, R; Jordan Mittelsdorf, Boardman, R; Matt R. Holland, Heppner, R; Baillie Keithley, Heppner, R; Megan Orr, Heppner, R; Emily J. Thompson, Heppner, R; Alex Carlson, Ione, R; Kara E. Clay, Ione, R; Clayton M. Morter, Ione, R.

**Judging Contest, Food and Nutrition, Intermediate (Foods and Nutrition):** Jace Jones, Boardman, CH, B; Amy Jepsen, Heppner, RC, B; Trevor Riekkola, Boardman, B; Mahaley Huddleston, Heppner, B; Krystal Nairns, Heppner, B; Shanna Rietmann, Heppner, B; Kylee Disque, Lexington, B.

**Judging Contest, Food and Nutrition, Senior (Foods and Nutrition):** Shelley Rietmann, Heppner, CH, B; Paula Spicerkuhn, Heppner, RC, B.

**Food Pres, Beg Div, 2 jars canned fruit (Food Preservation):** Amy Jepsen, Heppner, CH, B.

**Scrapbook Contest, Junior (Hobbies and Collections):** Emily Rietmann, Ione, CH, B; Clayton M. Morter, Ione, RC, B; Jennah L. Mittelsdorf, Boardman, B; Jordan Mittelsdorf, Boardman, B; Jessica M. Hughes, Heppner, B.

**Scrapbook Contest, Intermediate (Hobbies and Collections):** Shanna Rietmann, Heppner, CH, B; Emily Bergstrom, Heppner, RC, B.

**Scrapbook Contest, Club (Hobbies and Collections):** Miranda Hunt, Ione, CH, B; Emily Bergstrom, Heppner, RC, B.

**Livestock Judging Contest, Beginner (Plants and Animals):** Ashley N. Anderson, Boardman, B; Brynna L. Rust, Echo, B; Jared Huddleston, Heppner, B; Jessica M. Hughes, Heppner, B; Torri R. Lovgren, Heppner, B; Whitney Matthews, Heppner, B; Amy Baumgart, Irrigon, B; Kelli E. Jones, Boardman, R; Shauna A. Simpson, Boardman, R; Chelsey A. Hedman, Heppner, R; Rudi Ramirez, Heppner, R; Alex Carlson, Ione, R; Angel Rodelo, Boardman, W; Tanner M. Wightman, Boardman, W; Eric J. Jepsen, Heppner, W; Casey Riddle, Lexington, W.

**Livestock Judging Contest, Junior (Plants and Animals):** Jack D. Fisher, Boardman, B; Courtney Hancock, Boardman, B; Casey McClure, Boardman, B; Anna Unruh, Heppner, B, B; Emily Rietmann, Ione, B; Andre Rauch, Lexington, B; Makayla Anderson, Boardman, R; Jordan M. Graff, Boardman, R; Samantha R. Pedro, Boardman, R; Chase H. Simpson, Boardman, R; Spencer A. Palmer, Heppner, R; Joe Pranger, Heppner, R; Eddie Ramirez, Heppner, R; Jason Wainwright, Heppner, R; Patrick W. Barron, Irrigon, R; Esmeralda Leon, Irrigon, R; Aftan Betsinger, Lexington, R; Lane Bailey, Heppner, W; Patrick Daniels, Irrigon, W.

**Judging Contest, Meat Animal, Intermediate (Plants and Animals):** Heather Hancock, Boardman, B; Trevor Riekkola, Boardman, B; Madison Bailey, Heppner, B; Mahaley Huddleston, Heppner, B; Amy Jepsen, Heppner, B; Shanna Rietmann, Heppner, B; Chelsey Betsinger, Lexington, B; Sara Peck, Lexington, B; Jace Jones, Boardman, R; Kelsie Fox, Heppner, R; Kyle Huddleston, Heppner, R; Regina Seitz, Heppner, R; Jessica Wainwright, Heppner, R; Chelsey Cooley, Hermiston, R; Jennifer Griffith, Ione, R; Hannah Close, Irrigon, R; Francisco Escalante, Heppner, W; Colton Helfrecht, Heppner, W; Roy Proctor, Heppner, W; Joey Whelan, Hermiston, W.

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