

Mustang JV girls split two over weekend

By Rick Paullus
The Heppner Mustang JV girls hung on to beat the visiting Weston-McEwen Tigerscots on Friday, Feb. 7, then dropped a 31-27 loss to the Stanfield Tigers on Saturday, Feb. 8 in Stanfield. The Mustangs, now 11-7 on the year, will play at home against the Umatilla Vikings on Friday, Feb. 14 and will travel to Sherman County on Saturday, Feb. 15.

The Mustangs took an 11-9 lead over the Tigerscots after one getting four points from Tiffany Piper and three points each from Terra Wilson and Blair Keithley and still lead 22-21 at the half getting four points from Krystal Nairns and three more from Keithley in the second quarter.

Wilson had eight points and Linsey Mitchell four in the third as the Mustangs extended their lead to 36-29 after three and built their lead to 10 points in the fourth before the Tigerscots began their comeback. Laurie Murray hit two free throws with 12 seconds left to make it a four points game and the Tigerscots hit a 3-pointer with five seconds left but the Mustangs were able to run out the clock and get the win.

Wilson lead the Mustangs with 13 points, seven rebounds and three steals and two assists. Keithley added eight points, seven rebounds and two assists. Katie Britt had four rebounds and two assists, Piper had two steals, Murray had two steals and Mitchell and Nairns each had two assists.

Ione Topic Club enjoys tour of Willow Creek Terrace

The Ione Topic Club held their January meeting at the Willow Creek Valley Assisted Living Residence. At the meeting conducted by Diane Stuart, president, Kathy Morter and June Crowell volunteered to be

At Stanfield, the Mustangs trailed 5-3 after one and 16-8 at the half.

The Mustangs rallied in the third getting seven points, including a 3-pointer, from Britt to take a 19-17 lead going into the fourth. Britt had four more points in the fourth but the Tigers came back to get the win.

Britt had 14 points to lead the Mustangs, Keithley had six rebounds and three steals, Piper had three rebounds and two assists, Murray had six rebounds and Mitchell had four steals.

Heppner 11 11 14 7-43
Weston-McEwen 9 12 8 13-42

Heppner: Terra Wilson 5 3-4 13, Blair Keithley 3 2-4 8, Tiffany Piper 2 0-0 4, Linsey Mitchell 2 0-1 4, Krystal Nairns 2 0-0 4, Laurie Murray 1 2-2 4, Katie Britt 1 1-2 3, Chelsey Betsinger 1 0-0 2, Lynan Bingham 0 1-2 1, Krista Hendricks, Heather Yocom and Amy Jepsen. Team: 17 9-15 43 3-pt.: none

Weston-McEwen: Tucker 5 0-2 10, Miller 3 1-2 7, Penaloza 3 0-0 6, Froese 2 1-2 6, Zeller 2 0-2 4, Nichols 2 0-0 4, Bonifer 1 0-4 2, Lewis 1 0-0 2, Smalley 0 1-2 1, Flory 0 0-2 0, McDonald and Huskey. Team: 19 3-16 42 3-pt.: Froese.

Stanfield 5 11 1 14-31
Heppner 3 5 11 8-27

Stanfield: Red 2 5-6 9, Caldera 2 3-4 7, Bautista 2 2-4 6, Surber 2 0-2 4, Weatherman 0 3-8 3, Sandoval 1 0-0 2 and Fischer. Team: 9 13-24 31 3-pt.: none

Heppner: Britt 5 3-6 14, Piper 2 0-2 4, Keithley 1 2-4 4, Mitchell 1 0-0 2, Murray 1 0-3 2, Yocom 0 1-2 1, Wilson, Hendricks, Nairns, Betsinger, Bingham and Jepsen. Team: 10 6-17 27 3-pt.: Britt.

February readers to the pre-school. Kristy Crowell announced that the Library was closed this week, while new windows were installed there and in the City Hall. Many new books have been added to the Ione Library and it is regularly open on Monday and Friday afternoons between 3-5 p.m. and other times when requested.

Members enjoyed a complete tour of the facilities by Suzanne Jepsen, Chairman, and Joanne Burleson and Sharon Woodside, members of the WCVL Board. Guests and residents were served refreshments by the hostesses Katherine Lindstrom and Diane Stuart.

Ione Legion Auxiliary announces upcoming events

Ione Legion Auxiliary met on Feb. 4, at RJ's Steakhouse in Lexington.

A Bingo party has been scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 16 at the Ione Legion Hall at 2 p.m. Cost is 25 cents per card and prizes will be awarded. The men will be hosting this event, with the women providing refreshments. A donation will be taken for the refreshments. Coffee and soda will be available. All funds will be used to maintain the Legion Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend and play.

The Legion Anniversary dinner is scheduled for Tuesday, March 18. All Legion and Auxiliary members should mark their calendars and attend.

Lady Cardinals lose to Condon

The Ione girls' varsity basketball team lost to Condon, Tuesday, Feb. 5, in what turned out to be a one sided game.

Natalie McElligott picked up three early fouls and sat out most of the first half, which enabled Condon to hold Ione to just 5 percent from the field; out scoring the Cardinals 22-7 at the end of the half.

The second half was a more even game but the Cardinals could not comeback from the deficit losing 47-26.

Natalie McElligott finished with 10 points and six rebounds and Diana McElligott and Sarah Peck each had four points and six rebounds. Emily Key,

Barbara Holland, Jenny Griffith and Tracy Griffith all added two points apiece.

Lady Cards lose to Falcons

After taking a 17-13 half time lead over Wheeler, the Ione girls' varsity did not score a single bucket in the third, which in turn cost them the game, 42-30, Saturday, Feb. 8. The Cardinals now must win their remaining two games in order to go to the district tournament.

Natalie McElligott had a game high 21 points, and Diana McElligott, Jenny Griffith and Barbara Holland all added 3 points each.

Cardinals beat Falcons to take second, with chance at first

photo by Debbie Radie



Jim Swanson Assistant Coach for the Ione Cardinals along with the team celebrate the Ione victory in Fossil against the Wheeler Falcons.

Andrew Rietmann and Cayle Krebs might not be the best basketball players in the league, but the two seniors know how to step up when it really matters leading the Cardinals to a 48-42 victory over the

Cardinals hold on for the win against Condon

The boys' Big Sky East Conference has always been up in the air, but the Cardinals took a step closer to a district berth after defeating Condon for a second time this season, Tuesday, Feb. 5.

Ione took control from the beginning and entered the fourth quarter with a 15-point lead. The Blue Devils pulled

Wheeler Falcons, Saturday, Feb. 8.

The Cardinals now have sole possession of second place, with a chance to win the Big Sky East division if they win their final two games.

within two with 40 seconds remaining, but the Cardinals managed to hold on for a 47-42 victory.

Tyler Brown had a game high of 16 points. Nick Christman had eight points, Cayle Krebs had seven points and Karl Morgan connected for six points. Andrew Rietmann had four points and Kelly Thompson added three points.

HHS athletics recognizes businesses for their support

The Heppner High School athletics department acknowledged local businesses for their support throughout the year. The businesses were recognized before the starting line up of the boys' varsity team game, Feb. 7.

The business recognized included: Rose Photography, Wheatland Insurance, McCormack Construction, Lexington Auto Body, Jay Coil Fabrication, Hermiston New Holland, Coppack Surveying,

John's Other Place, Miller Manufacturing, D&L Auto Parts, Doby's Pest Control, Morrow County Grain Growers, Columbia River Title Company, Whistling Wings Taxidermy, Pettyjohn's Farm and Builders Supply, Roger Britt Septic and Gravel and Murray Drugs.

HHS athletics will continue to recognize more sponsors as Tuesday, Feb. 18, at 8 p.m., before the boys' varsity game against Pilot Rock.

Rietmann lead the Cardinals with 12 points and 13 rebounds. Krebs had eight points, 11 rebounds and two steals. Tyler Brown had 12 points and six assists, Nick Christman and Kelly Thompson had seven points apiece and Billy Gates added two points.

Karen's Korner

By Karen Masshoff

Here is the latest post-script to the "safer cigarette" discussion. This comes from a former director of applied research at Philip Morris, William Farone, (who, coincidentally, will be a featured speaker at Tobacco Prevention's Conference in March). The industry had the technology to make a Marlboro Light cigarette a "truly safer cigarette...., but chose not to."

Farone also said, "Philip Morris designs cigarettes like Marlboro Lights and Cambridge Lights (they have also been aware that consumers at one time perceived "light" to mean safer) to create and maintain addiction... This objective has been achieved by manipulating the levels of nicotine in the cigarettes..."

Is Big Tobacco still at it? You bet. This time it is Lorillard Tobacco who has become a major sponsor of ESPN's Winter X Games, a popular extreme sports event. What better way to be a visible presence to thousands of kids in communities across the country? Their message/youth anti-smoking program: "Tobacco is Whacko... If You're a Teen." Numerous observers of this program have reported that it plainly suggests that smoking is a "grown-up" (therefore both forbidden and cool) activity. How alluring can you be? And Lorillard's Newport cigarettes do have a significant number of youthful smokers.

If we and our legislative representatives ever got serious about regulating the tobacco industry, holding them to what they are required to do, one of those tools is already at hand. I am referring to the Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) that 46 states, including Oregon, signed in 1998 with the four largest tobacco companies in the United States. The MSA settled state suits to recover costs associated with treating smoking-related illnesses, among various other claims, including anti-trust, consumer protection, and racketeering.

As you are aware, the MSA does not pay for tobacco education/prevention; Measure 44 taxes on cigarettes passed in 1996 does. Our education program has never realized any monies from the MSA. I have a copy of the Master Settlement Agreement - Financial Provision - from the Legislative Revenue Office. I will share this with anyone who asks. It does show estimated MSA payments and uses. As of June 30, 2002, there was \$257.6 million in actual receipts. Where did it go?

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