

## Mustangs cruise past Reedsport in quarterfinals



Mustang baseball team celebrates after defeating Reedsport to move on into quarterfinals photo by Teresa Hughes

**By Rick Paullus**  
The Heppner Mustangs cruised past the visiting Reedsport Braves 12-2 in front of a large and loud home crowd on a rainy, wet day on Friday, May 30 in the quarterfinals of the OSAA/US Bank/Les Schwab Tires Class 2A baseball playoffs. The Mustangs reached the semifinals for the first time in ten years and will play at John Day against the top ranked Grant Union Prospectors on Tuesday, June 3.

After a scoreless first inning, the Mustangs scored first in the bottom of the second on a towering homerun to center field by Billy Gates to give them a 1-0 lead.

The Mustangs broke a tight game open in the fourth getting five runs when Gates was hit by a pitch, Donald Adams reached on a fielder's choice, Kyler Lovgren reached on an error to score Gates, Luke Murray had an RBI single and Chuy Elguezabal launched a three-run homerun to right field to make it 6-0.

The Braves came back in the top of the fifth scoring two runs and might have gotten more, but Josh Winters and Kory Paullus made nice catches in the outfield and the Mustangs were able to get out of the inning.

They came right back in the bottom half to get two more runs when Donald Adams walked, Lovgren reached on a fielder's choice and both came around to score on an Elguezabal single to make it 8-2.

The Braves tried to rally in the sixth getting runners on second and third with one

out, but Brad Adams got a strikeout and a ground ball to second baseman, Josh Gutierrez, who threw to first for the third out.

The Mustangs put the game away in the bottom half when Gates reached on an error, with Cody Walton coming in to run for him, Donald Adams singled, Lovgren doubled to score Walton, Murray bunted and when the throw went into right field he went all the way to third, as D. Adams and Lovgren scored and Jode Coil hit a fly ball to center field to score Murray and make it 12-2.

After a lead-off walk the Mustangs turned an Elguezabal to Gutierrez to Adams double play and Elguezabal caught a high pop-up to end the game.

Brad Adams pitched a complete game to pick up his second win of the post-season allowing just four hits and striking out three.

Donald Adams went two for three and scored three runs. Lovgren went two for four and scored three runs. Elguezabal went two for five with five RBI. Gates hit his eleventh home run of the year and scored twice and Murray had two RBI and scored twice.

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Brett Butler, Shane Henring (4), Danny Dickson (5), Darryl Swearingen (6) and Scott Bowman; Brad Adams and Billy Gates. W-B. Adams. L- Butler. 2B- Kyler Lovgren. 3B- none. HR- Dickson (R); Billy Gates, Chuy Elguezabal (H).

## Mustangs rally to beat Crusaders

**By Rick Paullus**  
Brad Adams lined a 2-0 fastball off the fence in left field with two outs and the bases loaded to rally the Heppner Mustangs to a 7-6 win over the Salem Academy Crusaders on Wednesday, May 28 in the first round of the OSAA 2A State Baseball Playoffs. The win improved the Mustangs record to 23-4 on the year and set up a quarterfinal game against Reedsport in Heppner on Friday, May 30.

Adams got the big home crowd going by blasting his twelfth homerun of the year into the win in left-center field that scored Josh Winters who had walked.

The lead held up until the third when the Crusader scored three runs to take a 3-2 lead, but the Mustangs came right back in the bottom half with two runs to regain the lead. Adams singled and went to second on a bunt by Kory Paullus, Billy Gates reached on an error, Kyler Lovgren walked and Luke Murray blooped a single to score Adams and Gates.

The Crusaders tied in it in the fourth and scored two more in the fifth to take a 6-4 lead, but Gates hit a solo homerun in the bottom of the fifth to get the Mustangs to within one.

It stayed that way until the bottom of the seventh when Murray singled with one out. Chuy Elguezabal walked with two outs, Winters singled off the leg of the pitcher to load the bases and set up Adams' heroics.

Adams picked up the win going the final two innings in relief of Elguezabal and didn't allow a base runner.

Adams also went four for four with four RBI and scored twice. Gates went three for four scoring twice and Murray went two for four with two RBI.

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Jared McCormick, Jared Hiebert (5) and Tim VandeGriend; Chuy Elguezabal, Brad Adams (6) and Billy Gates. W- Adams. L- Hiebert, Andy Wing (SA); Adams (H). 3B- none. HR- Adams and Gates (H).

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## Heppner Sports Academy to host summer ball camps

Football sessions with Jim Fenwick (Head Coach at Eastern Oregon University) will begin June 11, with a coaches' clinic. Player's camp will be held June 12 from 4-8 p.m., and June 13 from 1-5 p.m. The camp is open to grades 5-12.

Basketball sessions with Gordie James (Head Men's Coach Willamette University) will begin Sunday, June 15, with a coaches' clinic and continue with a camp June 16 and 17. These sessions will be for both boys and girls.

The first session will be held from 9-11 a.m., for grades 3-5. The session will include basic fundamental instruction.

The second session will be held from 12-3 p.m., for grades 6-8.

The third session will be held from 5-9 p.m., for grades 9-12. This session will include advanced instruction.

Volleyball sessions with Kathy Woods (Head volleyball coach at Clackamas Community College) will begin June 18, with a coaches' clinic. Player's camp for grades 4-12, will be held June 19-20. Times for this camp will be announced at a later date.

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## Welcome to 4-H Camp

4-H camp has not filled up and the Morrow County Extension would like to open the Tri-County 4-H Camp up to anyone in grades 4 through 6, regardless if you're in 4-H or not.

Also, if you're a seventh grader that didn't get to go to camp last year you may also sign up this year. This will be the only year we will take seventh graders.

If you are interested in attending 4-H camp this year, it will be held from June 29 to July 2 at Cutsforth Park. The fee is \$30 for 4-H members and \$35 for non-4-H members. The extra \$5 for non-4-H members is to enroll them in 4-H so they will be covered under the Morrow County 4-H Insurance Policy.

For more information and registration forms call the Extension office 676-9642.

## Watershed Field Days held on Neiffer's property.



Larry Lutchter, OSU Extension presenter, with students and Joe Taylor, MSWC Board Chair in background.

The Willow Creek Watershed Field Days were held on May 7-8 on Duane Neiffer's property. Not only does Neiffer donate the use of his property, but he also serves as a presenter at the Mapping station and works with the Lone students to prepare the stations before the field days.

On May 7, 193 students attended the event and 160 students attended on the second day.

They rotated among seven different learning stations: Soil Development and Formation, Weather and Watersheds, Wheat and Plant Identification, Mapping-Math Applications in Natural Resources-GPS and compass work, Macro-invertebrate sampling and identification, Water Quality Monitoring and Testing, and Stream Bank Stabilization and Restoration.

The hands-on experience for the students is very important in teaching them about conservation of our soil and water and how that affects all of us, stated a Morrow SWCD spokesperson.

The plant identification station was taught by Dawn Callow's science class at Columbia Middle School: Josh Parker, Rafael Norwood, Clay Callow, Kyrie Bashaw, Amanda Reeves and Josie Francis. They each taught a particular concept and then helped the kids select plants to press and to arrange them in the plant presses. I was quite impressed with this group of students, they were very willing to jump right in and talk to the kids, stated teacher Dawn Callow. Also, Gary Hunt, CMS who has been a part of the field days from the beginning worked with the Lone students presenting the macro-invertebrates station.

Each year the students from Lone participate in many capacities and they always have a camp cook (Cameron Krebs) to feed the leaders, presenters and staff (if there are enough hamburgers). The Lone students presenters were: Mike Radie, Ashley Roberts, Billy Gates, Brian Bunch, Johnny Collin, Caitlin Orem, Til Tullis, Tracy Griffith, Billy Ross, Paul Neiffer, Jamie VandenBrink and Andrew Rietmann.

The group leaders and helpers from Lone were: Jaysi Bennetto, Brian Gutierrez, Natalie McElligott, Dan Nolan, Diana McElligott, Jamie VandenBrink, Eva Chitty, Nathan Rea, Cameron Krebs, Emily Key, Curtis Thompson, Cayle Krebs, Jason Zinter and Tim Doherty. Many of these students have helped for the last four years.

Steve Brownfield's field biology class in Heppner works with Morrow SWCD throughout the year placing Stow-a-ways in Willow Creek in three strategic areas. The data logger's are removed each fall and the class downloads the recorded water temperature information. The following Biology II students also helped at the field days: Tyler Henderson, Cody High, Rachel Howard, Jesse Kempas, Chantea Macaulay, Lacey Matteson, Marcy Miller, Luke Murray, Doug Orwick and Brooke Rust. They taught the students how to measure water quality parameters including pH, turbidity, conductivity, temperature and dissolved oxygen levels at the water quality station.

The continued success of the field days is due to the cooperation of the Corp. of Engineers, local landowners and support from many agencies, teachers, students, parents and schools. Craig Satter and Tammy Campbell, Umatilla/Morrow ESD, coordinated the field days with the help of the Natural Resources System Consortium.

**Wedding Tables**  
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