

Mustangs stay unbeaten with win over Tigerscots

By Rick Paullus

A stifling defense helped the Heppner Mustangs stay unbeaten by beating the Weston-McEwen Tigerscots 46-7 on Thursday, Oct. 9 in Athena in Columbia Basin Conference play. The Mustangs improved to 4 and 0 in the CBC and 6 and 0 overall and will try and remain perfect when the Culver Bulldogs come to Heppner on Friday, Oct. 17 at 7 p.m.

The Mustangs received the opening kick-off and wasted no time in putting points on the board as Chuy Elguezabal hit Brandon Seitz for a 53-yard gain, then on third and long, hit him again in the end zone for a touchdown. The pass failed on the two-point conversion, but the Mustangs led 6-0 less than two minutes into the game.

On the Tigerscots first possession, the Mustangs defense forced a punt that Kyler Lovgren returned 25 yards to the Weston-McEwen 37-yard line. Lovgren took a screen pass from Elguezabal 21 yards, and then Tyler Boyer ran twice for 12 yards to the four. Boyer gained two yards and an offside penalty took it to the one. Boyer then took it in for the touchdown. The two-point conversion was no good, but the Mustangs led 12-0 midway through the first quarter.

The Tigerscots took over at their own 35-yard line and were driving inside Mustang territory, but Boyer made a tackle for a six-yard loss, then Brian Smith caused a fumble that was recovered by Peter Geer at the 31-yard line.

On second down, Elguezabal hit Justin Botefuhr for a 46-yard gain, Lovgren ran for five and after a holding penalty took the ball back to the twenty-seven. Elguezabal ran for nine, then hit Botefuhr for eight and a first down at the ten. Elguezabal then hit Boyer for a touchdown and then hit Botefuhr for the two-point conversion to make it 20-0 on the first play of the second quarter.

On the Tigerscots next possession, Botefuhr

picked off a pass at the Mustangs 46-yard line, but couldn't get anything going and had to punt. The Tigerscots returned the favor and the Mustangs offense went back to work. Aaron Delveaux ran for seven, Boyer went twice for twelve, Elguezabal lost four, but threw a screen pass to Lovgren for a 15-yard gain, then threw another screen to Botefuhr for a six-yard gain. Elguezabal then hit Lovgren in stride down the sideline for a 31-yard touchdown pass. Lovgren kicked the extra point to make it 27-0 late in the second quarter.

The Mustangs got the ball back at the Tigerscots' 35-yard line after making a stop on fourth down. Elguezabal completed passes to Lovgren for 14 yards, to Delveaux for 17 yards and to Lovgren for another seven yards, but couldn't get it in the end zone before the half ended.

The Tigerscots received the second-half kickoff and the Mustang's defense, led by a sack by Geer on third down, forced a punt. On second down, Elguezabal broke free for a 51-yard gain setting up a Cody Walton five-yard run for a touchdown. Lovgren kicked the extra point to make it 34-0 early in the third.

On the Tigerscots next possession, Elguezabal picked off a pass inside the 10-yard line and brought it back to the thirty-four, but the Mustangs couldn't get a first down and gave the ball back.

The Tigerscots drove to the Mustang's thirty, but the defense held and the Mustangs took over on downs. The offense couldn't move the ball and a bad snap on a punt gave the Tigerscots the ball at the eight to set up their only score.

The Mustangs recovered the onside kick at the Tigerscots 49-yard line and went to work to get the touchdown back. Lovgren ran three times for 21 yards, Elguezabal ran for nine and then hit Aaron Griffith for 19 yards to the one where

Delveaux took it in for the touchdown. The pass failed on the two-point conversion, but the Mustangs led 40-7.

Zack Skaggs recovered a fumble on the kick-off to give the Mustangs back the ball at the 30-yard line of the Tigerscots. A shovel pass on fourth and long from Matthew VanCleave to Delveaux picked up 23 yards and a first down to the twelve. After two motion penalties, Walton ran for eight then caught a pass from Delveaux for 13 yards to the three. Walton took it in from there to make it 46-7 late in the game. Skaggs and Mikel Britt combined for a sack for a nine-yard loss as time ran out.

The defense was led by Botefuhr with 20 defensive points. Skaggs added 17 points and Seitz finished with 16 points. Boyer had 15 points, Geer 14 points, Matt Kenny 10 points, Rory Kilkenny nine points and Elguezabal, Smith and Brian Hagewood added eight points each.

Elguezabal completed 15 of 22 passes for 271 yards and three touchdowns and ran nine times for 59 yards. Lovgren caught five passes for 87 yards, Seitz caught three passes for 76 yards and Botefuhr caught three passes for 59 yards.

Heppner 12 15 7 12-46
Weston-McEwen 0 0 0 7-7

First Quarter

Heppner- Brandon Seitz 24-yard pass from Chuy Elguezabal (pass failed). 10:09
Heppner- Tyler Boyer one-yard run (pass failed). 5:56

Second Quarter

Heppner- Boyer 10-yard pass from Elguezabal (Justin Botefuhr pass from Elguezabal). 11:52
Heppner- Kyler Lovgren 31-yard pass from Elguezabal (Lovgren kick). 3:18

Third Quarter

Heppner- Cody Walton five-yard run (Lovgren kick) 8:39

Fourth Quarter

Weston-McEwen- Jeremy Parker two-yard (Dave Baumann kick). 6:16
Heppner- Aaron Delveaux one-yard run (pass failed). 3:40
Heppner- Walton three-yard run (run failed). 1:07

First Downs: Heppner 17, Weston-McEwen 5; **Rushes-attempts:** Heppner 33-113, Weston-McEwen 26-82; **Passing yards:** Heppner 307, Weston-McEwen 8; **Passes:** Heppner 17-27-0, Weston-McEwen 1-8-2; **Penalties-yards:** Heppner 10-85, Weston-McEwen 3-11; **Fumbles-lost:** Heppner 1-0, Weston-McEwen 3-2.

Individual Stats

Rushing: Heppner- Elguezabal 9-59, Boyer 9-26, Walton 5-13, Delveaux 2-7, Lovgren 7-6 and Matt Kenny 1-2; Weston-McEwen- Clayton 12-51, Brito 12-27, Duke 1-5, Froese 1-2 and Parker 12-(-3).

Passing: Heppner- Elguezabal 15-22-0 271 yards, Matthew VanCleave 1-4-0 23 yards and Delveaux 1-1-0 13 yards; Weston-McEwen- Parker 0-6-2 0 and Duke 1-2-0 8 yards.

Receiving: Heppner- Lovgren 5-87, Seitz 3-76, Botefuhr 3-59, Delveaux 2-40, Boyer 2-13, Aaron Griffith 1-19 and Walton 1-13; Weston-McEwen- Clayton 1-8.

Colts get hard fought win

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Colts earned a hard fought win over E.O. Machine on Wednesday, Oct. 8, by a score of 24-8, in Heppner. The Colts remain unbeaten at 4 and 0 on the year and will play at home against Boardman on Thursday, Oct. 16 at 6:30 p.m. and will finish the regular season at home on Wednesday, Oct. 22 against Umatilla at 6 p.m.

After each team was forced to punt on their first possessions, the Colts got on the board when Chance Day ran for seven yards then Jake Gregory broke free for a 59-yard touchdown. Brian Holland kicked the extra point to make it 8-0 after one quarter.

The Colts defense forced a punt again and this time Day took it 67 yards for a touchdown. Holland's kick was again good to make it 16-0.

E.O. Machine came right back to cut the lead in half on a 13-yard pass and extra point kick.

The Colts put together a drive late in the second quarter as Gregory ran for seven, Brent Eckman picked up five more then passed to Holland for 20 yards and ran for eight more, but the half ran out with the Colts ahead 16-8.

The Colts defense held on E.O. Machine's first possession. On the first play,

Mustang JVs shut out Rockets

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JVs used a stifling defense to shut out the Pilot Rock JVs 14-0 on Monday, Oct. 13 in Pilot Rock. The Mustangs, now 3 and 3 on the year, will wrap up the season with a home game against the Weston-McEwen Tigerscots on Monday, Oct. 20 at 5 p.m.

The Mustangs got a touchdown early in the second quarter when Aaron Allstott recovered a Rocket fumble at

WSU announces summer 2003 graduates

Washington State University, in Pullman, WA, recently announced that Sara M. Greenup, of Heppner, completed her undergraduate degree following the summer of 2003.

Greenup, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, graduated cum laude.

Booster Club to hold auction

The Heppner High School Booster Club will be holding a steak feed and auction, Saturday, Oct. 18, at the Heppner Elks club. The dinner will begin a 6 p.m.

An updated list of auction items will be on the Heppner website at www.Heppner.net.

Second Quarter

Heppner- Brendan McElligott 36-yard pass from Matthew VanCleave (run failed).

Fourth Quarter

Heppner- Justin Delveaux one-yard run (Kory Paullus pass from Delveaux).

Colts get hard fought win

The teams traded possession before E.O. Machine put together a drive, but the Colts defense held inside the ten taking over on downs.

Eckman hit Wacy Coil for a 15-yard gain, Gregory ran for five, Eckman ran for 15 yards, Coil broke several tackles on his way for a 28-yard gain, Zack McCarl ran for five and Devin Robinson ran for 12 yards inside the ten, but the clock ran out.

The defense was led by Holland, Coil, Jordan Hatfield, Ben Wood, Eckman, Day, Jared Huddleston, McCarl, Robinson and Willy Gentry, all making good plays during the game.

Colts 8 8 8 0-24
E.O. Machine 0 8 0 0-8

First Quarter

Colts- Jake Gregory 59-yard run (Brian Holland kick).

Second Quarter

Colts- Chance Day 67-yard punt return (Holland kick).

E.O.- 13-yard pass (kick good).

Third Quarter

Colts- Day 62-yard run (Holland kick).

the Pilot Rock 36-yard line and on the next play, Matthew VanCleave hit Brendan McElligott for the touchdown. The run failed on the two-point conversion, but the Mustangs took a 6-0 lead into the half.

They got on the board again, early in the fourth quarter, when Kody Lovgren went 35 yards on a pass from Justin Delveaux to the one, where Delveaux took it in for the touchdown. Delveaux hit Kory Paullus for the two-point conversion to make it 14-0.

The Mustangs threatened to score again late in the game getting hard running from Casey Maben, Roy Proctor and Francisco Escalante, but came up short.

The Mustangs lost to the Hermiston Freshmen on Monday, Oct. 6 in Hermiston 26-6, with the only score coming from an eight-yard pass from Delveaux to Che Green.

In a game earlier in the year, when the Mustang JVs beat Wahtonka 22-0, one of the touchdowns came on a pass from Delveaux to Justin Gregory. The other two scores came on runs for Matt Kenny and Matthew VanCleave.

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Nursing home to close

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for residency at the Willow Valley Assisted Living Center in Heppner, but others must make other arrangements to relocate.

Vander Does said that another contributing factor was the loss of \$200,000 annually in Pro Share monies, which were federal monies distributed to the states to be distributed to health districts. However, the state of Oregon used the monies for other funds and the federal government cut off funding.

The district is experiencing financial problems and plans to float a levy in the spring to balance the budget, however, Vander Does said that he did not believe voters would subsidize operation of the nursing home to the extent required. "How much can you subsidize a few people at that cost?" he asked. He said that a levy just to support the nursing home would cost around 52 cents per thousand, with the rest of the district requiring an additional 30 cents per thousand. "The decision of the board was difficult emotionally, but not financially," he said.

Vander Does said that the closure of the nursing home could buoy the MCHD bottom line as much as \$450,000—\$250,000 as the result of closure of the nursing home operations and another possible \$200,000 from the federal government. If the whole facility is labeled a critical access facility, rather than just a portion (with the operation of the nursing home), then the district will get more money back from the federal government. He also said that an intermediate swing bed program, whereby existing space may be eligible for "potential nursing home-like residence," has "some promise."

Heppner Booster Club Steak Feed and Auction

Saturday, October 18, 2003 at the Heppner Elks Club

Dinner from 6-8 p.m. -- Dinner Tickets \$10 each
Dinner will be **Barbecue New York Steaks and Baked Potato, Salads, Homemade Bread and Homemade Desserts; steaks to be cooked by Lee Anstegui and Mike Proctor and Crew**

Booster Club Auction begins at 8:00 p.m.

Raffle autoneer **Ken Grieb** will preside over the main auction; there will also be a silent auction with many items up for bid

Tickets may be purchased in advance at Heppner Hardware and at The Shoe Box

Auction Items & Donors' Names:

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| \$50 Cash Donation | Dobyns Pest Control | Blue & Gold Afghan | David and Valerie Campbell |
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| Three Tons 2nd or 3rd Small Bales | John & Diane Kilkenny | Widmer Bros. Brewing Gift Basket | Widmer Brothers Brewing Company |
| One Bird Mount | Whistling Wings Taxidermy | Two Christmas Wall Hangings | Wyna Woodford |
| One Portrait Sitting | Judy & Sandy Photography | #32 - Basketball Warm-up Jacket | Alumni |
| Two Tickets to Oregon Symphony | Oregon Symphony | Market Light Steel Mechanic Steps | Kelwayne Hagewood |
| Three Big Bales of Grass or Alfalfa | Brian & Susan Thompson | Electrical Work up to \$150.00 | Gordon's Electric |
| Four Thermopane Windows | Hermiston Glass | Wreath at Workshop | Heppner Garden Club |
| Pasta Feed for 10 People | Mike and Kim Armato | Wreath at Workshop | Heppner Garden Club |
| "Magic Hour" Print | Dr. Charles Weeks | Two Mustang Pillows | Darlene Lovgren |
| One Night Stay at Ditch Creek Guard Station | Wheatland Insurance | #29 - Baseball Uniform | Alumni |
| Gift Certificate to Bonneville Resort | Charlie & Marcia Anderson | Emergency Road Kit | Les Schwab Tire Center |
| Mexican Dinner for 10 People | Mary Ann Elguezabal | #41 - Basketball Uniform | Alumni |
| Wine Tasting and Hors d'oeuvres for 12 | Carrie Grieb, Missy Lindsay, Shelley | One Dozen Roses in a Vase | Cottage Flowers |
| Flowers & Treats for Holidays | Jennie Allen | Two All-Season Sports Passes | Heppner High School |
| HHS Golf Bag | Heppner High School | Two 18 Hole Rounds w/ Cart at Alpine Meadows | Alpine Meadows Golf Course |
| One Gallon of Milk per Week for a Year | Central Market | Two 18 Hole Rounds of Golf at China Creek | Mike Wetherell |
| Black Hills Gold Ring | Peterson's Jeweler's | HHS Golf Bag | Heppner High School |
| Mustang Blanket | Dale Conklin | 30 lbs. Ground Beef (cut & wrapped) | Mark & Tami Rietmann |
| One Cord of Firewood | Rick Britt | Two 18 Hole Rounds of Golf at Buffalo Peaks | Buffalo Peaks Golf Course |
| Six Box Seat Tri-City American Hockey Tickets | Devin Oil | #32 - Baseball Uniform | Alumni |
| HHS Golf Bag | Heppner High School | Family Oral Waterpik Cleaning System | Dr. Dennis Turner DMD |
| Two Pre-Season Seahawk Tickets for 2004 | Jerry & Ione Martin | U of O Birdhouse | Jennie Allen |
| Two 18 Hole Rounds of Golf at Umatilla Golf | Umatilla Golf Course | HHS Birdhouse | Jennie Allen |
| Dinner for Four at John's Place | John Gochbauer | 20 Hrs. Free Daycare for One Child | Heppner Day Care |
| One Video per Week for a Year | John Gochbauer | Market Light Steel Mechanic Steps | Kelwayne Hagewood |
| Two 18 Hole Rounds of Golf at Echo Hills | Echo Hill Golf Course | "Birthday Bash" for HES Student | Heppner Elementary School 5th/6th |
| 1 - 5 Bird Hunt | Rolling Hills Hunting Preserve | "Birthday Bash" for HES Student | Heppner Elementary School 5th/6th |
| 20 lbs. Hill's Science Diet Feline Senior | Dick Temple DVM | Duck Helmet | Riddell & Mark Elmblade |
| Lube & Oil Change | Wright Chevrolet | OSU Birdhouse | Jennie Allen |
| Lube & Oil Change | Wright Chevrolet | One Orthodontic Exam w/ Two Panorax X-Rays | Dr. Dennis Turner DMD |
| Fleece Throw | Dennis & Penny Miller & Frances | One Orthodontic Exam w/ Two Panorax X-Rays | Dr. Dennis Turner DMD |
| Old Barn Board Picture Frame | Tim Hastings | Oil & Filter Change | Campbell Motors, Inc |
| Four Portland Beavers Baseball Tickets | Coyote Springs PGE | One Dozen Carnations in a Vase | Cottage Flowers |
| Four Portland Beavers Baseball Tickets | Coyote Springs PGE | Binoculars | Allstott Construction L.L.C |
| Four Portland Beavers Baseball Tickets | Coyote Springs PGE | 1 Mustang Hat, 2 Mustang Sweatshirts | Hollomans |
| Fleece Throw | Dennis & Penny Miller & Frances | 5 Orthodontic Exams w/ Full X-Rays | Dr. Dennis Turner DMD |
| 40 lbs. Hill's Science Diet Puppy Food | Dick Temple DVM | One Dozen Golf Balls and 2 Hats | Pendleton Country Club |
| Pine Cone Wreath | Arnold Appleton | \$50 Savings Bond | Banner Bank |
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