

Mustang girls lose to Vikings late

By Rick Paullus

A 22-13 advantage in the fourth quarter helped the Umatilla Vikings to a 62-46 win over the Heppner Mustang girls' varsity on Friday, Feb. 6 in Umatilla. The Mustangs fell to 5 and 6 in the Columbia Basin Conference and 7 and 12 overall and will wrap the regular season with a home game against the Wahtonka Eagles on Friday, Feb. 13.

The Vikings took a 12-6 lead after one, despite three points each from Stefanie Hanson and Linsey Mitchell and still led 28-20 at the half as Shanna Rietmann had six points, Madison Bailey had five points, including a 3-pointer, and Katie Britt hit a 3-pointer.

Brooke Rust had six points and Britt five, including another 3-pointer, as the Mustangs got to within 40-33 after three, but the Vikings pulled away in the fourth despite five points, including a 3-pointer, from Rust and four points from Rietmann.

Rust had 11 points and two steals. Rietmann added 10 points, five rebounds, four steals and two assists. Bailey had nine points and four steals, Katie Britt had eight points and Chelsea Britt had five rebounds.

Heppner 6 14 13 13-46
Umatilla 12 16 12 22-62

Heppner- Brooke Rust 4 2-2 11, Shanna Rietmann 5 0-1 10, Madison Bailey 4 0-0 9, Katie Britt 3 0-0 8, Stefanie Hanson 1 1-4 3, Linsey Mitchell 1 1-1 3, Chelsea Britt 0 2-2 2, Terra Wilson, Blair Keithley and Laurie Murray. Team: 18 6-10 46. 3-pts: Britt 2, Rust and Bailey.

Umatilla- Jasmine Campos 9 5-7 24, Danna Borden 6 0-1 12, Chrissi Forshee 3 1-2 8, Katie Henry 3 0-0 6, Bertha Ruiz 2 0-0 4, Meghan Dahlin 2 0-4 4, Austin Harvey 1 0-1 2, Ashley Meade 0 2-2 2, Leandrea Landover, Chandra Harvey, KC Bollinger and Kasandra Pankey. Team: 26 8-17 62. 3-pts: Campos and Forshee.

Mustang girls couldn't keep up with Huskies

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang varsity girls kept up with the first place Sherman County Huskies early leading 12-11 after one, but were outscored 38-13 in the second and third quarter eventually losing 61-35 on Saturday, Feb. 7 in Heppner. The loss dropped the Mustangs to 5 and 7 in the Columbia Basin Conference and 7 and 13 overall, with one more league game with Wahtonka at Heppner on Friday, Feb. 13 before heading to the district tournament.

Stefanie Hanson and Madison Bailey each had four points as the Mustangs took their 12-11 lead, but the Huskies came back to take a 33-21 lead at the half despite four points from Hanson and a 3-pointer from Katie Britt in the second quarter. The Mustangs trailed 49-25 heading into the fourth and got five points, including a 3-pointer, from Brooke Rust and four from Hanson, but it wasn't enough.

Hanson had 12 points and seven rebounds. Rust added six points, 15 rebounds and two assists. Chelsea Britt had seven rebounds, Shanna Rietmann had six rebounds and Linsey Mitchell had three assists.

Heppner 12 9 4 10-35
Sherman County 11 22 16 12-61

Heppner- Stefanie Hanson 6 0-1 12, Brooke Rust 2 1-3 6, Chelsea Britt 2 0-2 4, Madison Bailey 1 2-2 4, Katie Britt 1 1-2 4, Terra Wilson 1 1-2 3, Shanna Rietmann 0 2-3 2, Linsey Mitchell, Blair Keithley and Laurie Murray. Team: 13 7-15 35. 3-pts: Rust and K. Britt.

Sherman County- Laura Olsen 11 3-8 26, Anna Moore 4 0-0 8, Britney Macnab 2 2-8 6, Kayci Sharp 1 3-10 5, Suzee Fritts 2 1-1 5, Sellah Hill 1 2-7 4, Marci Bird 2 0-0 4, Erin Funkhouser 0 3-5 3, Jolleen Hill, Whitney Nogle and Tiffany Gray. Team: 23 14-39 61. 3-pts: Olsen.

Mustang JV girls nip Wahtonka

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV girls held off the Wahtonka Eagles to take a 42-39 win on Jan. 20 in The Dalles. The game was reschedule from earlier in the year due to weather.

The Mustangs took an 11-10 lead after one, getting four points from Lyndi Patton and three from Lynan Bingham, but trailed 27-23 at the half, despite four points from Terra Wilson. Sarah Price and Heather Yocom each scored three points in the third to help the Mustangs regain the lead at 34-32 heading into the fourth quarter. Price had three more in the fourth as they held on for the win.

Price led a balanced scoring effort with eight points, with Yocom adding seven points and Wilson and Patton and Bingham each scoring six points.

Heppner 11 12 11 8-42
Wahtonka 10 17 5 7-39

Heppner- Sarah Price 2 4-11 8, Heather Yocom 1 5-8 7, Terra Wilson 2 2-6 6, Lynan Bingham 2 2-5 6, Lyndi Patton 2 2-2 6, Blair Keithley 1 2-2 4, Regi Seitz 1 1-8 3, Laurie Murray 0 2-4 2, Sandra Krotzek, Brittney Herbison and Mahaley Huddleston. Team: 11 2-46 42. 3-pts: none

Wahtonka- Grayson 2 5-12 9, Gannon 2 4-4 8, Helyer 3 0-1 7, Seaborn 2 0-2 4, Hilbun 1 1-2 3, Prentice 1 0-0 2, Green 0 2-3 2, Rocha 1 0-0 2, Pinouch 1 0-0 2 and Holland 0 0-2 0. Team: 13 12-26 39. 3-pts: Helyer.

Mustang JV girls lose to Pendleton in third

By Rick Paullus

A bad third quarter cost the Heppner Mustangs JV girls as they lost to the visiting Pendleton Frosh 36-27 on Monday, Jan. 26. The Mustangs dropped to 7 and 6 on the year.

The two teams were tied after one at 8-8 as the Mustangs got four points from Sarah Price. The Bucks held a 12-11 lead at the half. The Bucks outscored the Mustangs 14-0 in the third to take a 26-11 lead, but they rallied in the fourth, getting four points each from Terra Wilson, Katie Britt and Regi Seitz, but it wasn't enough.

Wilson led the Mustangs with seven points and five rebounds with Seitz adding six points and three steals. Price had five points, four rebounds and two steals and Britt had five points and two steals. Lyndi Patton had eight rebounds and two steals and Lynan Bingham had seven rebounds.

Heppner 8 3 0 16-27
Pendleton 8 4 14 10-36

Heppner- Terra Wilson 1 5-7 7, Regi Seitz 2 1-2 6, Katie Britt 2 1-4 5, Sarah Price 2 1-4 5, Mahaley Huddleston 1 0-0 2, Lynan Bingham 0 2-2 2, Lyndi Patton 0 0-2 0, Sandra Krotzek, Brittney Herbison and Heather Yocom. Team: 8 10-21 27. 3-pts: Seitz.

Pendleton- Wellington 7 0-0 14, Roach 1 5-6 7, Dusenberry 2 0-0 5, Rowe 2 0-0 4, Thomas 1 0-1 2, Moore 1 0-0 2, Wright 1 0-0 2, Bell 0 0-2 0, Barry, Shaw and Barkley. Team: 15 5-9 36. 3-pts: Dusenberry.

Mustang JV girls split two games

By Rick Paullus

After a disappointing loss at Umatilla on Friday, Feb. 6, the Heppner Mustang JV girls rebounded with a 40-25 win over the visiting Sherman County Huskies on Saturday, Feb. 7. The Mustangs, 9 and 8 on the year, play their final game of the year at home against Wahtonka on Friday, Feb. 13.

The Mustangs fell behind 8-2 in Umatilla after one and trailed 14-6 at the half. The Vikings outscored the Mustangs 14-2 in the third to take a 28-8 lead and coasted to a 41-19 win despite four points from Heather Yocom and three from Lynan Bingham in the fourth quarter.

Bingham led the Mustangs with six points and two steals, with Yocom adding four points and three steals. Lyndi Patton had 11 rebounds and two steals, Sarah Price had five steals and Regi Seitz had two steals.

The Mustangs took a 12-4 lead over the Huskies after one, getting four points from Laurie Murray and extended it to 26-10 at the half, getting eight points from Patton and six from Price in the second quarter. Patton had four points in the third as they led 32-18 after three and coasted through the fourth to the 40-25 win.

Patton led the way with 14 points, five rebounds, five steals and two assists. Price added 12 points, five rebounds and two steals. Seitz had seven rebounds, five steals and two assists. Murray had eight rebounds and Yocom had two steals and two assists.

Umatilla 41, Heppner 19
Heppner 2 4 2 11-19
Umatilla 8 6 14 13-41

Heppner- Lynan Bingham 0 6-8 6, Heather Yocom 1 2-2 4, Regi Seitz 1 1-2 3, Lyndi Patton 1 0-5 2, Chelsey Betsinger 1 0-3 2, Sarah Price 1 0-5 2, Mahaley Huddleston, Sandra Krotzek and Brittney Herbison. Team: 5 9-25 19. 3-pts: none

Heppner 40, Sherman County 25
Heppner 12 14 6 8-40
Sherman County 4 6 8 7-25

Heppner- Patton 7 0-3 14, Price 6 0-0 12, Bingham 0 5-6 5, Murray 2 1-2 5, Yocom 0 2-4 2, Seitz 1 0-0 2, Huddleston 0 0-4 0, Krotzek 0 0-1 0, Betsinger and Herbison. Team: 16 8-20 40. 3-pts: none

Sherman County- Bibby 2 2-2 6, Gray 3 0-0 6, Weedman 2 0-1 4, Mabe 2 0-0 4, Bird 1 1-3 3, Richelderfer 1 0-0 2, Melzer 0 0-1 0, Nogel, VonBorstel and Hill. Team: 11 3-7 25. 3-pts: none

Mustang JV boys fall to Bucks

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV boys took an early lead against the visiting Pendleton Bucks frosh, but fell behind in the third and couldn't quite come back losing 81-70 on Monday, Jan. 26. The Mustangs, who had won 12 in a row, fell to 12 and 2 on the year.

Josh Gutierrez and Matt VanCleave each had six points in the first, as the Mustangs took an early 17-7 lead, but lead just 19-18 after one. VanCleave had seven points and Gutierrez six as the teams were tied at 36-36 at the half.

Gutierrez had eight points and VanCleave four, but the Bucks came out hot, eventually taking a 62-52 lead after three. The Mustangs, who trailed by as many as fourteen, rallied in the fourth, getting to within 68-64 with four minutes left, but the Bucks pulled away for the win. VanCleave had five points and Gutierrez and Kyle Huddleston each had four points in the fourth.

Gutierrez led the Mustangs with 24 points, with VanCleave adding 22 points.

The Bucks hit 13 3-pointers in the game.

Heppner 19 17 16 18-70
Pendleton 18 18 26 19-81

Heppner- Josh Gutierrez 10 3-4 24, Matt VanCleave 9 4-12 22, Mikel Britt 2 2-2 6, Rory Kilkenny 0 5-8 5, Kyle Huddleston 2 0-0 4, Matt Kenny 2 0-0 4, Kory Paullus 1 0-0 2, Kyle Carlson 1 0-0 2, Dan Basile 0 1-2 1, Robert McElligott and Roy Proctor. Team: 27 15-28 70. 3-pts: Gutierrez.

Pendleton- Johlke 6 2-4 19, Smith 6 5-6 19, Lewis 4 0-0 12, West 5 0-0 12, McGrath 2 5-5 9, Corey 4 0-2 8, Thorne 1 0-0 2, VanCleave, Blanc, Corley and Burnside. Team: 18 12-27 81. 3-pts: Johlke 5, Lewis 4, Smith 2 and West 2.

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Mustang JV boys win twice

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV boys won twice over the weekend to improve to 16 and 2 on the year. They beat the Umatilla Vikings with a big third quarter, by a score of 63-47 on Friday, Feb. 6 in Umatilla, and then beat the visiting Sherman County Huskies 69-44 on Saturday, Feb. 7. The Mustangs will finish out the year with a home game against Wahtonka on Friday, Feb. 13.

At Umatilla, the Mustangs took a 12-10 lead after one, getting four points from Kory Paullus and a 3-pointer from Josh Gutierrez. The Mustangs led at the half 25-24, getting four second quarter points from Kyle Huddleston. They pulled away in the third, getting 10 points from Paullus, eight points from Gutierrez and three from Mikel Britt to take a 48-35 lead. Matthew VanCleave added nine points in the fourth as the Mustangs coasted to the win.

Paullus led three Mustangs in double figures with 16 points. VanCleave added 15 points and Gutierrez finished with 13 points.

Against the Huskies, Gutierrez had four points in the first, as the Mustangs took a 14-11 lead. They got five points each from Gutierrez and Roy Proctor and four from VanCleave as they extended it to 38-25 at the half. Gutierrez had six points and VanCleave had four as the Mustangs took a comfortable lead of 56-35 after three and Britt had six points and Proctor five, including a 3-pointer, in the fourth as they took the win.

Gutierrez led four Mustangs in double figures with 15 points. Britt added 12 points, VanCleave and Proctor added 10 each and Matt Kenny scored eight points.

Heppner 63, Umatilla 47
Heppner 12 13 23 15-63
Umatilla 10 14 11 12-47

Heppner- Kory Paullus 6 4-7 16, Matt Kenny 7 1-1 15, Josh Gutierrez 4 4-13, Mikel Britt 2 2-4 6, Kyle Huddleston 0 4-6 4, Roy Proctor 2 0-0 4, Justin Delveaux 0 3-4 3, Dan Basile 0 1-2 1, Robert McElligott 0 1-2 1, Matt Kenny 0 0-1 0 and Kyle Carlson. Team: 21 20-31 63. 3-pts: Gutierrez.

Umatilla- Wilson 6 2-4 14, White 4 0-0 10, Taylor 2 4-7 8, Alvarro 1 6-7 8, Routson 1 0-0 3, Macias 1 0-0 2, Taylor 0 1-2 1, Canos 0 1-1 1, Palimico 0 0-1 0, Marzolino, Stice, Estrada, Wyland, Adarico, Mower and Olavra. Team: 15 14-22 47. 3-pts: White 2 and Routson.

Heppner 69, Sherman County 44
Heppner 14 24 18 13-69
Sherman County 11 14 10 9-44

Heppner- Gutierrez 7 1-2 15, Britt 6 0-0 12, VanCleave 2 6-7 10, Proctor 3 3-4 10, Kenny 4 0-0 8, Delveaux 3 0-1 6, Huddleston 1 2-4 4, McElligott 0 2-2 2, Carlson 1 0-0 2 and Basile. Team: 27 14-20 69. 3-pts: Proctor.

Sherman County- Walker 4 4-6 12, Guzman 3 2-6 8, Meyers 23-47, Wallace 3 0-0 7, Bird 2 0-1 5, Francis 1 1-2 3, King 0 2-6 2, Shafer and Reed. Team: 15 12-25 44. 3-pts: Wallace and Bird.

HLL to hold registration for 2004

Season

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Registration will be held at the Heppner Neighborhood Center. At least one parent or legal guardian must be present, with proof of residency and a copy of an original or state-certified birth certificate. A driver's license or utility bill is acceptable documentation. For more information, including a description of the boundaries, call Robyn Skaggs at 676-8225 or Renee Yocom at 676-9821.

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