

Mustang JVs split with Bulldogs

By Rick Paullus

After beating the visiting Hermiston Frosh 13-3 in six innings, the Heppner Mustang JV baseball team dropped the second game 7-4 to the Bulldogs on Monday, May 3 as they gave up five runs in the first inning and were never able to make up the gap. The Mustangs, 8 and 4, finish up the season with a doubleheader at Riverside on Thursday, May 13 beginning at 4:30 p.m.

The Mustangs jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead after one in the first game when Quinn Peck walked, Colton Hansen reached on an error, Peck scored on a wild pitch, Dan Basile singled and Sloan Keithley had a two RBI single.

The Bulldogs closed to within 3-2 before the Mustangs blew the game open in the fifth when Cody Hollis, Peck and Hansen walked, Basile scored two with a double, Kyle Carlson was hit by a pitch, Keithley walked on a run, Robbie Smith was hit by a pitch to force in another run and Kody Lovgren had a two RBI single to make it 9-2.

The Bulldogs scored a run in the top of the sixth but the Mustangs came right back with four more to end it on the ten-run rule. Hanson walked, Basile singled, Carlson walked, Keithley forced in a run with a walk, Basile scored on a passed ball, Riley Wight walked, Smith scored a run on a fielder's choice and Lovgren walked to force in the game ending run.

Carlson went 3-1/3 innings to pick up the win giving up two runs on two hits and struck out four with Basile going 2-2/3 innings in relief giving up one run on two hits and struck out six.

Basile went four for four with a double, two RBI and three runs. Keithley went one for two with four RBI and scored twice. Lovgren had three RBI, Smith had two RBI, Hansen scored three times and Carlson and Peck scored twice.

After the Bulldogs took their 5-0 lead, the Mustangs got two back in the second inning when Wight was hit by a pitch, Smith singled, Lovgren had a RBI single and Peck had a RBI single.

The Mustangs added another run in the fifth when Basile reached on an error and eventually scored on another error. The Bulldogs added two runs in the sixth and the Mustangs came back with a run in the bottom of the seventh when Carlson doubled and scored when Keithley reached on an error, but the rally ended there.

Lovgren and Wight each went two for three. Carlson, Peck and Hollis each went two for four as the Mustangs had 12 hits in the game, but stranded nine base runners.

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Corey Kelly, Edwards (5), Briscoe (6) and Colt Kelly; Kyle Carlson, Dan Basile (4) and Robbie Smith. W- Carlson. L- Kelly. 2B- Winkler (Herm); Basile (Hep). 3B- none. HR- none.

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Rosales and Mullay; Quinn Peck, Sloan Keithley (5) and Smith, Peck (5). W- Rosales. L- Peck. 2B- Rosales 2 (Herm); Carlson (Hep). 3B- none. HR- none.

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Mustang JVs rally to beat Hermiston Frosh

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV baseball team overcame a 4-2 deficit, scoring five runs in the fifth inning, to rally past the Hermiston Frosh 8-5 on Monday, May 10 in Hermiston. The Mustangs improved to 9 and 4 on the year and wrap up the season with a doubleheader at Riverside on Thursday, May 13 scheduled to start at 4:30 p.m.

The Mustangs looked good in the top of the first getting a single from Quinn Peck, a double from Dan Basile and a triple from Kyle Carlson to take a 2-0 lead. The Bulldogs came back with three runs in the bottom half and added another run in the second to take a 4-2 lead.

It stayed that way until the fourth when the Mustangs cut into the lead getting singles from Carlson and Kody Lovgren and a sacrifice fly from Robbie Smith to make it 4-3.

The Mustangs began their rally with a Riley Wight single. Then Peck singled him to third and stole second. Basile scored one with a single, Carlson reached on a fielder's choice, Sloan Keithley singled, Kory Paullus had a RBI single and Smith scored two with a double to make it 8-4.

The Bulldogs scored a run in the seventh, but could get no closer as the Mustangs took the win.

Basile pitched the third and fourth innings, in relief of Carlson, giving up no runs on two hits and striking out four to pick up the win. Paullus went the final three innings allowing one hit, one run and striking out four for the save.

Carlson went three for four with a triple, two RBI and scored twice. Peck went two for four, scoring twice, Basile went two for four with a double, Keithley went two for four and Smith had three RBI.

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Kyle Carlson, Dan Basile (3), Kory Paullus (5) and Robbie Smith, Quinn Peck (5); Ojeda, Edwards (6) and Mullay. W- Basile. L- Ojeda. S- Paullus. 2B- Basile, Smith (Hep); Ojeda, Frick (Herm). 3B- Carlson (Hep). HR- none.

Mustangs blank Tigers for first place

By Rick Paullus

A no-hitter by Chuy Elguezabal helped the Heppner Mustangs to an 11-0 win in five innings over the Stanfield Tigers on Tuesday, May 4 in Stanfield to give them first place in the Columbia Basin Conference. The Mustangs, 6 and 1 in the CBC and 17-1-1 overall, will finish out the league schedule with a doubleheader at Umatilla on Saturday, May 15 at 11 a.m.

The Mustangs went down quietly in the top of the first as did the Tigers in the bottom half although the Mustangs' shortstop, Josh Gutierrez, went behind the bag at second base to snap a groundball and threw to first to get the out in what would prove to be the Tigers best effort at a hit for the day.

In the second, Luke Murray doubled, Kyler Lovgren was hit by a pitch, Nick Christman had a RBI single, Cody Walton reached on a fielder's choice, Elguezabal hit a two-out two RBI double and scored on a Jode Coil double to give the Mustangs a 4-0 lead.

They didn't quit there though as they added four more in the third when Gutierrez walked, Kory Paullus hit a RBI triple, Kiel Nairns walked, Murray had a RBI single, Nairns scored on a balk and Murray came home on a wild pitch.

The Mustangs added three more in the fourth when Coil reached on an error, Gutierrez walked and both scored when Paullus reached on an error. Murray and Lovgren both walked and Christman hit into a fielder's choice to score another run to make it 11-0.

Elguezabal lost his bid for a perfect game as he hit the lead-off hitter in the bottom of the fifth, but struck out the next batter and ended the game with two harmless fly balls. He ended up with eight strikeouts for the game.

Murray went two for two with a double and scored twice. Coil went two for four with a double. Paullus had two RBI and scored twice, Elguezabal had a double and two RBI, Christman had two RBI and Gutierrez scored twice.

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Chuy Elguezabal and Jode Coil; Tyler Gabriel and Derek Smith. W- Elguezabal (7-1). L- Gabriel. 2B- Luke Murray, Elguezabal and Jode Coil (H). 3B- Kory Paullus (H). HR- none.

Mustangs sweep Rockets

By Rick Paullus

Good pitching and timely hitting helped the Heppner Mustang baseball team to a sweep of the visiting Pilot Rock Rockets by scores of 13-2 in five innings and 4-0 on Saturday, May 8 in Columbia Basin Conference play. The Mustangs, 8-1 in the CBC and 19-1-1 overall, wrap up the regular season with a doubleheader at Umatilla on Saturday, May 15 before heading into the District Tournament on Saturday, May 22 in The Dalles.

The Mustangs took an early lead in the first game scoring two runs as Josh Gutierrez reached on a fielder's choice, Kory Paullus had a RBI double and Kiel Nairns had a RBI double.

The Rockets scored a run in the second and one in the fourth to tie it at 2-2, but the Mustangs came right back in the bottom half to break the game open with nine runs.

Luke Murray doubled and scored on a Kyler Lovgren single, Chuy Elguezabal was hit by a pitch, Jode Coil walked, Gutierrez was hit by a pitch to force in a run, Paullus had a RBI single, Nairns reached on an error to score a run, Murray was hit by a pitch to force in a run, Kyler Lovgren scored two with a single and Nick Christman scored two more with a double to make it 11-2.

The Mustangs ended it in the fifth on the ten-run rule when Gutierrez reached on a fielder's choice and Paullus hit a two-run home run to make it 13-2.

Elguezabal went the distance to pick up the win giving up three infield hits while striking out five.

Paullus went three for four with a double, home run, four RBI and scored three runs. Christman went two for two with a double and two RBI. Lovgren went two for three with three RBI and scored twice. Nairns had a double and two RBI, Murray had a double and one RBI, Gutierrez scored three runs and Elguezabal and Coil each went one for two.

The second game was scoreless until the third when Christman singled, moved to second on a sacrifice bunt by Cody Walton and scored on a double by Coil.

The Mustangs added three more in the fourth when Paullus doubled and came home on a home run by Nairns. Murray and Lovgren singled and both moved up on a wild pitch and Murray scored as Walton grounded out.

Gutierrez made the lead stand up going the distance allowing just three infield hits, two walks, hit two batter, while striking out seven.

Murray went three for three. Paullus went two for three with a double. Nairns had a homerun and two RBI and Coil had a double and one RBI.

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Kyle Humphreys, Dan Ellis (4), Travis Severe (4) and Phil Perrine; Chuy Elguezabal and Jode Coil. W- Elguezabal (8-1). L- Humphreys. 2B- Luke Murray, Nick Christman, Kiel Nairns and Kory Paullus (H). 3B- none. HR- Paullus (H).

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Mitch Byrnes and Perrine; Josh Gutierrez and Coil. W- Gutierrez (5-0). L- Byrnes. 2B- Coil, Paullus (H). 3B- none. HR- Nairns (H).

HJHS track teams participate in Ione Invitational

Heppner Junior High track members participated in the Ione Invitational track meet on Friday, April 30 at Pendleton Sunridge track. Full placement results have not been completed but the following is placement as of May 10.

Eighth grade boys' results include: Lane Bailey: 1st- 300m hurdles, 2nd- 100m hurdles, 2nd- high jump, and placed in javelin; Nathan VanCleave: 1st- 100m hurdles, 1st- high jump and 1st- shot put; Tayler Hodges: 5th- 100m hurdles; Matt McCabe: 1st- discus, 2nd- shot put, 3rd- high jump; and Nacho Elguezabal: 3rd- discus, 4th- 200m and 4th- shot put.

Seventh grade boys' results include: Spencer Palmer: 2nd- 800m (ran against eighth grade), 5th- 1500m (ran against eighth grade), 2nd- triple jump and placed in javelin; Mark McCabe: 6th- shot put and placed in 4x100 relay and 4x200 relay; Chris Wellington: 1st- 400m (ran against eighth grade), 1st- 800m (ran against eighth grade) and 1st- 200m; Dalton Wellman: 2nd- 1500m and placed 4x200 relay; Ben Wood: 6th- shot put; Joe Pranger: 4th- triple jump; Matt Holland: 3rd- long jump and placed in 4x200 relay, 100m and 200m; Tyler Robinson: placed in 4x100 relay and 4x200 relay; Lane Wright: 4th- discus and placed 4x100 relay; Johnathan Hendricks: placed 4x100 relay; and Braden Britt: placed high jump, 4x200 relay and 200m.

Sixth grade girls' results include: Catherine McElligott: 1st- 300m hurdles, 1st- 1500m, 1st- 800m and 2nd- long jump; Brynna Rust: 1st- 100m, 1st- 200m, 1st- long jump and 2nd- 100m hurdles; Erin Price: 2nd- 1500m, 3rd- 800m and 5th- triple jump; Ashley Wolff: 2nd- shot put; Kristen VanCleave: 3rd- 1500m, 4th- 800m, 3rd- high jump and placed in javelin; and Jodessa Chapa: 2nd- 800m and 4th- 1500m.

Seventh grade girls' results include: Nikki Fritz: 1st- high jump; and Whitney Smith: 3rd- shot put and 5th- high jump.

Eighth grade girls' results include: Kylie Doherty: 1st- 100m hurdles, 2nd- high jump, 2nd- 4x200 relay and 4th- long jump; Baillie Keithley: 2nd- 4x200 relay, 4th- 100m and placed 4x100 relay; Kelsey Wolff: 3rd- 400m and 5th- 800m; Taylor Kempas: 2nd- 400m and 5th- long jump; Cyde Coil: Champion high jump; Aftan Betsinger: 3rd- discus, 3rd- shot put, 4th- high jump and placed in 4x100 relay; Kate Kendrick: 2nd- 4x200 relay, 4th- discus and placed in 4x100 relay; Kendra Rayburn: 2nd- shot put; Kelsey Fox: 2nd- discus, 4th- shot put and placed in 4x100 relay; and Katie Kilkenny: 1st- shot put, 2nd- 100m hurdles, 3rd- high jump and placed in 4x100 relay.

City council

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The Heppner Fire Department has expressed interest in expanding on to the Gazette property, which is located next to the fire department.

Accepted resignation
The council accepted the resignation of Jackie Allstott from the city budget committee. Barbara Hayes was appointed to fill the vacant position.

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