

## Reedsport scores late to nip Mustangs



Heppner quarterback Matt VanCleave on the keeper

By Rick Paullus

The Reedsport Braves ended a 70-yard drive with a three-yard touchdown pass with 1:41 left and hung on to beat the Heppner Mustangs 35-34 on Friday, Sept. 10 in Heppner.

The Mustangs dropped to 0 and 2 on the year and have one more non-league game against a very good Willamina team on Friday, Sept. 17 before beginning Columbia Basin Conference play on Sept. 24 at Stanfield.

Neither team could move the ball through the first seven minutes of the first quarter as each team punted twice. On the Braves third punt, Tyler Boyer gathered it in and went 64 yards up the Reedsport sideline, getting a huge block from Brandon Seitz, for the game's first touchdown. Matthew VanCleave hit Kory Paullus for the two-point conversion to make it 8-0.

Matt Kenny picked off a Reedsport pass on their next possession and returned it 23 yards to the Braves 47-yard line, but the Mustangs couldn't take advantage and were forced to punt again as the first quarter ended.

The teams traded punts again until the Braves picked off a screen pass and returned it 65 yards for a touchdown. They completed the two-point conversion to tie it at 8-8.

That was short lived though as Boyer gathered in the kick-off and raced 82 yards for a touchdown to give the Mustangs a 14-8 lead after the two-point



Heppner lineman Peter Geer (75) scoops up a kickoff

conversion run was stopped short.

The Braves came right back and scored taking a 15-14 lead after kicking the extra point with 3:49 left in the first half.

On the ensuing kick-off, it was Aaron Delveaux's turn to take it 83 yards for a touchdown and give the Mustangs a 20-15 lead after the two-point conversion run again failed.

But the Braves responded with a long touchdown pass to take a 21-20 lead at the half, ending a wild second quarter in which the teams combined for 35 points.

The Mustangs took the second half kick-off starting at their own forty-two and moved inside the Braves forty as Kenny ran twice for 10 yards and Boyer ran three times for 11 yards but a hold took the ball back to midfield. Boyer ran twice for 10 yards and on fourth down, VanCleave hit Seitz for a 15-yard gain to the twenty. Boyer ran twice for seven yards but the drive stalled and the Braves took

over at their 16-yard line on downs.

The Mustangs got the ball right back though as Seitz recovered a Reedsport fumble at the 22-yard line. Boyer ran for four and after a delay penalty, VanCleave went for six but the Braves picked off a pass and returned it to the Heppner 25-yard line.

The Mustangs got the ball right back though as Delveaux caused a fumble, which Kenny fell on. However, they returned the favor giving the Braves back the ball on a fumble recovered at the Heppner seven.

The Braves took it in on the first play of the fourth quarter and converted the two-point conversion to take a 29-20 lead.

The Mustangs took over at their own 38-yard line after the kick-off and on third and ten. Delveaux took a lateral pass up the sideline 53 yards to the seven where Boyer took it to the goal line, fumbled but wrestled the ball back for the touchdown. The two-point conversion failed, but the Mustangs were within 29-26 with 10:40 left.

The Mustangs held the Braves on their next possession and took over at their forty-five after the punt and went to work. Boyer went for 16 yards and on a fourth and six a pass interference penalty took the ball to the Brave 22-yard line. On third and long, VanCleave found Jode Coil

in the back of the end zone for a 20-yard touchdown pass. VanCleave hit Seitz for the two-point conversion to give the Mustangs a 34-29 lead with 7 minutes left.

The Braves took over at their own thirty after a long kick-off by Matt McCabe and began their game winning drive. The Mustangs almost had them stopped but the Braves completed a double pass faced with a fourth and sixteen at midfield, good for 22 yards and a first down.

The Mustangs had one last chance as Casey Maben jumped on an onside kick at the Heppner forty-eight but four straight incomplete passes gave the Braves back the ball and they were able to run out the clock for the win.

The defense was led by Boyer with 34 defensive points with Kenny adding 24 points, Paullus 19, Seitz 18, Coil and Francisco Escalante 10 each and Delveaux and Gordy Wegworth nine points each.

The Mustangs held the Braves to 42 yards rushing, but gave up 190 yards through the air.

Boyer had 67 yards on 20 carries and Kenny rushed nine times for 45 yards for Heppner.

Reedsport 0 21 0 14-35  
Heppner 8 12 0 14-34

### First Quarter:

Heppner- Tyler Boyer 64-yard punt return (Kory Paullus pass from Matthew VanCleave) 4:47

### Second Quarter:

Reedsport- Nathan Morris 65-yard interception return (Kick Schneider pass from Daniel Mast) 8:12  
Heppner- Boyer 82-yard kick-off return (run failed) 7:58

Reedsport- Mast one-yard run (Schneider kick) 3:49

Heppner- Aaron Delveaux 83-yard kick-off return (run failed) 3:33

Reedsport- Jeff Kennedy 55-yard pass from Mast (pass failed) 3:04

### Fourth Quarter:

Reedsport- Mast five-yard run (Casey Palermo pass from Mast) 11:55

Heppner- Boyer seven-yard run (run failed) 10:40

Heppner- Jode Coil 20-yard pass from VanCleave (Brandon Seitz pass from VanCleave) 7:00

Reedsport- Kennedy three-yard pass from Mast (run failed) 1:41

### Team Statistics:

**First Downs-** Reedsport 9, Heppner 6; **Rushes-yards-** Reedsport 28-42, Heppner 36-164; **Passing yards-** Reedsport 190, Heppner 35; **Passes-** Reedsport 16-27-1, Heppner 2-18-2; **Fumbles-** Reedsport 3-2, Heppner 3-1; **Penalties-yards-** Reedsport 13-78, Heppner 12-85.

### Individual Statistics:

**Rushing:** Reedsport- Schneider 8-25, Eric Chase 6-4, Mast 12-3 and Jordan Jungwirth 2-10; Heppner- Boyer 20-67, Matt Kenny 9-45, Delveaux 1-53, Coil 2-3 and VanCleave 4-(-4).

**Passing:** Reedsport- mast 15-26-1 168 yards and

Palermo 1-1-0 22 yards; Heppner- VanCleave 2-18-2 35 yards.

### Receiving:

Reedsport- Kennedy 12-148, Palermo 2-23, Spencer Mitchell 1-13 and Schneider 1-6; Heppner- Coil 1-20 and Seitz 1-15.

## Mustang JVs outscore Braves in two quarters

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV football team took the field for the first time playing two quarters against the visiting Reedsport Braves and outscored them 14-12. The Mustangs next action will be at Willamina against the Bulldogs before the varsity game on Friday, Sept. 17.

The Braves scored first on a one-yard run and took a 6-0 lead after the kick was no good.

The Mustangs then took over at their own 45-yard line after the kick-off and went to work. Brendan McElligott ran twice for 12 yards, then Justin Delveaux hit Kody Lovgren for a 28-yard gain. Caleb Maben ran for eight yards and Casey Maben took it in for the touchdown from the nine. Matt McCabe ran in the two-point conversion to give the Mustangs an 8-6 lead.

On their next possession, Delveaux hit McCabe for seven yards, McElligott ran for 16 yards and a face mask penalty took it to the twenty-one. Casey Maben ran for 15 yards and after a holding penalty took it back to the eighteen. McElligott went to the one on a reverse. Lane Bailey punched it in from there for

the touchdown. The two-point conversion was good but a holding penalty brought it back and the second try failed so the Mustangs led 14-6 with 10 minutes and 37 seconds left.

The defense forced a punt, which Bailey brought back 25 yards to the forty-five. Bailey ran twice for 17 yards and Caleb Maben ran twice for 15 yards but a fumble was recovered by the Braves at their own 30-yard line.

The Braves then drove down the field scoring on a 21-yard pass play with 36 seconds left. The two-point conversion was stopped short and the Mustangs clung to the 14-12 lead.

Sloan Keithley fell on the onside kick and the Mustangs ran out the clock.

Reedsport 6 6-12

Heppner 8 6-14

### First Quarter

Reedsport- One-yard run (kick failed) 5:25

Heppner- Casey Maben nine-yard run (Matt McCabe run) 2:41

### Second Quarter

Heppner- Lane Bailey one-yard run (run failed) 10:37

Reedsport- 21-yard pass (run failed) :36

## Ione JV loses to Heppner

By Marie Key

The Ione JV girls lost to Heppner JV, 13-25 and 23-25, on Thursday, Sept. 9.

Missy Baker lead the girls in both games with a combined total of eight serve points, 12 passes, one aced serve, one hit and one kill.

The next closest points contender was Amber Patton with three serve points, one aced serve and one hit. Kayla LaRue brought in two serve points for the team, eight passes,

three hits and one kill. Kylee Svetich also brought in two serve points, and 16 passes and four hits. Emily Rietmann also added to the team's points with one point, four passes and one hit.

Also helping the team were Kaylee Palmateer with three passes and five set assists; Julianna VandenBrink with six passes; Brittnee DesBouillon with one pass and one hit; and Teonna Vandever with two passes.

The team served at 82 percent for the night.

## Ione Varsity defeated by Heppner

By Marie Key

On Thursday, Sept. 9, in their first non-league volleyball game of the season, the varsity girls were defeated by Heppner, 22-25, 23-25, 25-21 and 17-25.

Sara Peck led the team with eight serve points, 38 passes, five blocks, 11 hits and five kills. Alyssa Rietmann followed close behind with eight serve points, 17 passes, six hits and one kill. Kim Morris also took eight serve points, 17 passes and one block.

Others team members supplying points were Ashly Grams with seven serve points, 22 set assists, one pass and two aced served; Abby Key with three serve points, one hit and 11 set assists; and

Stephanie Holland with three serve points, serving 100 percent, 16 passes and three hits.

Also contributing to the team effort were Jenny Griffith with 11 hits, one kill, seven passes and seven blocks and Barbara Holland with 11 hits, one kill, seven blocks and four passes.

"The team only served 78 percent. Missed serves really killed us," said Coach Cathy McCabe.

## Justice Court report

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