

Pony 'A' Team crushes Umatilla

By Jessica Hughes

On Friday, September 29, the Heppner Junior High School 'A' team Ponies came out with yet another win against Umatilla, bringing their league record to 4-0. It was a close, three-game match.

Game one was a loss for Heppner. Umatilla came out on top with a score of 25-22. "The intensity just wasn't up for game 1," said coach Pam Dowdy.

In game two, the Ponies brought up their intensity level and game out with a win. Catherine McElligott and Torri Lovgren had two kills each to lead the Ponies at the net. Brandi Hong put up the sets for the kills. Brynna Rust had consistent passing to help Hong with her sets.

"Game three was intense," said Jessica Hughes. Hong, Rust, and McElligott all scored three or more points in the third game, causing Umatilla to have to play hard. Heppner played harder and came out with an 18-16 win.

"They are playing bump-set-spike volleyball and are improving greatly. I'm very proud of them," said Dowdy.

Pony 'B' Team loses close one to Umatilla

By Lacie Wagoner

The Heppner Junior High Ponies 'B' team had an interesting weekend. On Friday, September 29, they traveled to Umatilla to challenge the Vikings. Although the battle ended in a defeat, the team felt that they did well. The Vikings won in three games, 16-25, 25-20, 15-9.

Coach Melissa Coiner felt the efforts of Brooke Thompson were exceptional. "Brooke played really well. She really hustled all over the court and did everything it took to get our team the win. Unfortunately, we couldn't pull it out in the end," Coiner said. Thompson made 19 out of 21 serves on the day.

The Ponies 'B' team league record is now 2-2.

Both Pony teams split at three-way

By Jessica Hughes and Lacie Wagoner

On October 1, the Heppner Junior High Pony Volleyball team played a three-way tournament against Riverside and Helix.

The Pony 'A' team lost to Riverside in their first match, 25-19, 25-20.

In their second match, the 'A' team beat Helix in three games. Game one was a loss for the Ponies, as they only scored 14 points. In game two, the Ponies turned it around, letting Helix score only 18 points. In game three, Heppner came out with another close win, winning with a score of 16-14. It was yet another close match for the Ponies.

The 'B' team dominated Helix in their first match, winning in two easy games - 25-12, 25-16. In their second match against Riverside, they were less fortunate. Heppner won the first game, 25-14, but came out flat in the second game, losing 18-25. The last game was close, but Riverside pulled away and won 16-14.

Coach Melissa Coiner felt that the team was improving. "The girls played much better and our transitions are improving," she said.

Kylie Van Arsdale commented, "We played well, but just couldn't keep it together in the end."

Kelsi Putman shined with her serving all day. She made an amazing 16 serves in a row against Riverside and made 27 of her 30 serves on the day.

The Ponies play Pendleton on Thursday in Heppner.

Shamrockettes' raffle extended

The Shamrockettes' eagle-for \$1 each or six for \$5. The throws will be on display around town in Heppner.

Call Jodi Chapa, 676-8161 to buy tickets.

Condon FFA kicks off new year

By Tiffany Hill, Chapter reporter

The Condon FFA chapter kicked off their year with its new advisor, Erin Heideman, and participants at the Gilliam County Fair. They had several exhibitors in swine, sheep, and beef. These participants had a very long, eventful week and they did very well.

The swine exhibitors included: Adrian Henske, Daniel Anderson, Shannon Hamilton, Melissa Kamerrer, Dayn Hardie, Tanner McCoin, and Amber Heidy. Shannon Hamilton walked away with grand champion market hog, and Melissa Kamerrer received grand champion showmanship.

The sheep showman included: Angela Stark, Rachel Nelson, and Katie Re. Katie did an amazing job with her sheep, walking away with both grand champion market and showman.

The sole beef exhibitor was Erica Harrison and she did extremely well in competition, winning both grand champion market and showman.

Another competition that these FFA members participated in was livestock judging. Erica Harrison put her knowledge to the test and won grand champion livestock judge.

The FFA chapter has held one official chapter meeting this year. At the meeting, the Green Hand chapter officers were elected by the attending members. The current chapter officers were on hand to help make appropriate decisions and had previously interviewed each applicant.

The Green Hand officers are: President - Jarrod Thomas, Vice President - Brook Griffith, Secretary - Alex Fennern, Treasurer - Lilley Mitchell, Reporter - Tyler Urbach, and Sentinel - Shelby Coy.

FFA is a national youth organization of 461,043 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with 7,308 local chapters in all 50 states. Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

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Defense carries Mustangs past Vikings



Photo by Sandy Matthews

Varsity Football: #20 Caleb Maben runs past the Umatilla Vikings. The Mustangs whipped Umatilla 52-0.

By Rick Paullus

A stifling defense led by the Heppner Mustangs helped them blank the Umatilla Vikings, 52-0, on a rainy sloppy Friday, September 30, at Umatilla in Columbia Basin Conference play. The Mustangs (2-0 in the CBC and 5-0 overall) held the Vikings to 34 total yards, 18 rushing and 16 passing, for the game. They will return home on Friday, October 7, for a key CBC game against the Pilot Rock Rockets who are also 2-0 in the conference.

The Vikings had the first possession of the night and were forced to punt when Andre Rauch and Peter Geer tackled runners for a loss. The Mustangs took over on their 31-yard-line and went to work as Casey Maben took off for a 25-yard gain, Matt McCabe gained five yards, Matt Kenny picked up 13 yards, and Maben ran twice for 11 yards to the six where Kenny took it in for the touchdown. McCabe kicked the extra point to make it 7-0.

The defense forced a punt again with the Mustangs taking over at their 38-yard line. Matt Van Cleave hit Rory Kilkenny for a 44-yard gain, Kenny ran for 10 yards and a first down at the nine and McCabe picked up two. A fumbled snap lost a yard, but Kenny took it in from eight yards out for a touchdown. The kick was no good, but the Mustangs led 13-0.

The Mustangs got the ball back again at the Umatilla 43-yard-line after a three-yard punt. After a pass interference penalty, Kenny went for nine, then took it 18 yards to the end zone for his third touchdown of the first quarter. The kick was no good, but the Mustangs had

a 19-0 lead after one.

The Mustangs got the ball back at their 38-yard-line after forcing another punt and went right back to work. Caleb Maben went for 14 yards, McCabe picked up 21 yards, then Van Cleave hit Kilkenny in the back of the end zone for a 28 yard touchdown. RJ Farrens ran in the two-point conversion for a 27-0 lead early in the second quarter.

The defense held again and they took over at the Umatilla 39-yard line after a 23-yard punt return by Caleb Maben, then ran three straight times, the last for 21 yards out to the end zone. The kick was no good, but the Mustangs took a 33-0 lead into the halftime.

The Mustangs took the second half kickoff and started out at their 35-yard line. Caleb Maben went for four, Casey Maben ran twice for 21 yards, Justin Delveaux ran for four yards, but a holding penalty took the ball back to the 47-yard line. Delveaux ran twice for 20 yards, then Van Cleave took it in from 27 yards out for the touchdown. McCabe's kick was good to make it 40-0 early in the third quarter.

The Vikings took over at their 33-yard-line after the kickoff, but Delveaux picked a fumble out of the air and ran it back 40 yards for the touchdown. The run failed, but the touchdown enacted the 45-point rule, meaning the rest of the game was played with a continuously running clock.

Oh the Vikings' next possession, Casey Maben jumped on a fumble at the Vikings' 38-yard-line. Delveaux ran three straight times for 25 yards, Spencer Palmer went for 11 yards to the one, then took it in for the final touchdown of the

night. The run failed, making the final 52-0.

The Mustangs rushed for 312 yards for the game with Delveaux running for 74 yards on nine carries. Kenny had 64 yards on six carries and three touchdowns. Casey Maben had 57 yards on five carries and Caleb Maben ran five times for 43 yards.

Van Cleave hit two of three passes for 72 yards, filling in for an ill Quinn Peck, who didn't play. Kilkenny caught both passes.

The defense was led by Casey Maben with 13 points with Delveaux adding 12 points. Rauch added 11 points, Kenny and Kyle Carlson each added 10 points and McCabe and Tayler Hodges each had nine points.

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First Quarter

Heppner-Matt Kenny, six yard run (Matt McCabe kick) 7:58; Kenny eight yard run (kick failed) 4:38; Kenny 18-yard run (kick failed) 1:58.

Second Quarter

Heppner-Rory Kilkenny 28-yard pass from Matt Van Cleave (RJ Farrens run) 6:36; Caleb Maben 21-yard run (run failed) 6:36.

Third Quarter

Heppner-Van Cleave 28-yard-run (McCabe kick) 10:04; Justin Delveaux 40 yard fumble return (run failed) 5:03.

Fourth Quarter

Heppner- Spencer Palmer 1 yard run (run failed) 7:50.

Individual Statistics

Rushing-Heppner: Delveaux 9-74; Kenny 6-64; Casey Maben 5-57; Caleb Maben 5-43; Matt McCabe 4-18; Van Cleave 1-28; Palmer 3-14; Josh Shank 2-4; Umatilla: Creason 8-15; Borden 6-8; Mauer 8-7; Bake 1-1; Macias 6-(-13).
Passing-Heppner: Van Cleave 2-3-0 72 yards; Umatilla: Macias 2-6-0 6 yards, Creason 1-1-0 10.
Receiving-Heppner: Kilkenny 2-72; Umatilla: Borden 2-16.

Ponies beat Vikings, 18-0



Photo by Sandy Matthews

Junior High Football: #10 Quarterback Brent Eckman makes yardage against the Umatilla Vikings. The Heppner Ponies beat Umatilla 18-0.

Reading partnership meeting set

The Eastern Oregon Reading Foundation invites all persons and organizations interested in the literacy of children to a Literacy Partnership meeting. The session will be held at Umatilla-Morrow ESD's Lodgepole/Ponderosa rooms, Pendleton, on Tuesday, Oct. 11 at 5:30 p.m.

The intent of this meeting is to bring the literacy community together to share programs, ideas and information so that members can work collectively without duplicating efforts. For more information, call Kay Dallman at 541-966-3160.

Columbia Basin Electric announces photo contest

Columbia Basin Electric Co-Op is again pleased to announce they will be holding their annual Photo Contest this fall. The Cooperative is looking for entries from which to select quality prints to be enlarged and put on permanent display.

Entries will be received at both the Condon and Heppner offices now through Friday, Oct. 28, closing at 5 p.m. Entries must be photographs, either standard or digital, color or black-and-white, with some indication or reference to electricity or electrical infrastructure. This required element may be very minor, however. A panel appointed by C.B.E.C. will perform independent judging of entries. Judge's decisions will be final. There will be two entry classes: entries of people/animals and entries of landscapes/general interest. The same photo may be entered in both classes if desired, but a copy for each class will be required. Each entry must be titled.

There will be awarded a first, second and third place finish for each class, with prizes granted being \$50 for each first place, \$35 for each second place and \$15 for each third place award. Entrants will agree to allow Columbia Basin Electric Co-Op to enlarge, frame and permanently display winning entries at C.B.E.C.'s discretion, with no compensation or value paid. Appropriate recognition will be noted of entrant. All entrants must be members/consumers of Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, Inc. No single entrant may submit more than four entries in any one class.

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