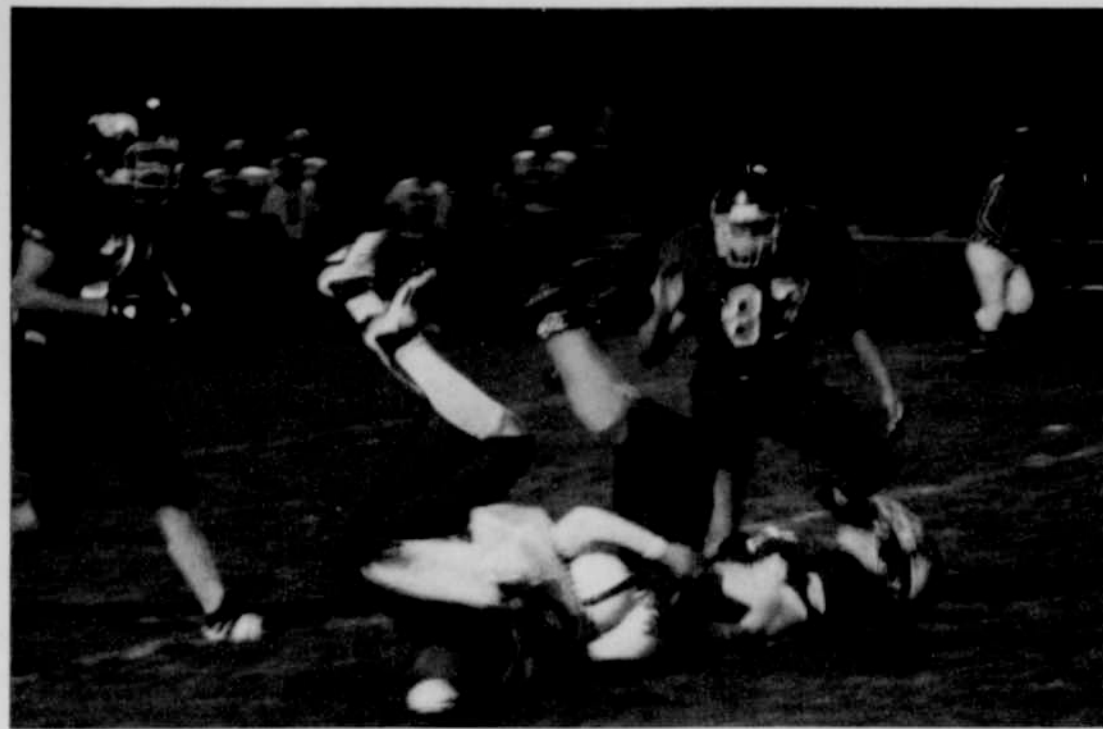


Mustangs run over Rockets, 41-0



The Mustangs overwhelm the Pilot Rock quarterback. (Photo by Sandy Matthews)

By Rick Paullus

By gaining 469 yards, 405 yards of that on the ground, the Heppner Mustangs were able to pull away from the visiting Pilot Rock Rockets, 41-0, on Friday, Oct. 7, in Columbia Basin Conference play. The Mustangs, who improved to 3 and 0 in the CBC and 6 and 0 on the year, get a much needed break this week with a bye before getting back to CBC play at Weston-McEwen on Friday, Oct. 21.

The Rockets had the first possession of the game pinned back at their 10-yard line after a deep kickoff. They were unable to move the ball and the Mustangs took over at the Rocket 26-yard line after a short punt. Matt McCabe ran twice for four yards before Casey Maben took it in from the 21-yard line for the first touchdown of the game. McCabe's kick was good and the Mustangs led 7-0 early in the game.

The Rockets were able to move the ball inside Mustang territory, but were forced to turn the ball over on downs at the 27-yard line. After an incomplete pass, Matt Kenny went for six and an offside penalty against the Rockets gave the Mustangs a first down at the 39-yard line. Maben ran for three, and Quinn Peck went for seven more and another first down. Kenny picked up 19 yards, and McCabe ran twice for 14 yards to the 18-yard line where Peck hit Rory Kilkenny in the end zone for a touchdown. Kenny ran in the two-point conversion for a 15-0 lead late in the first quarter.

The Mustangs' defense held on the Rockets next possession and they took over at their own 30-yard line after forcing a punt. Kenny ran three times for 35

yards and McCabe picked up seven more. The drive stalled with the Rockets recovering a fumble on fourth down at their own 37-yard line.

The Mustangs' defense stepped up again as Kilkenny had a sack and Caleb Maben picked off a pass, returning it 17 yards to the Pilot Rock 21-yard line. Peck ran for five and Kenny picked up five more and a first down, but a fumble was recovered by the Rockets at their 11-yard line. The defense held, and, after forcing a punt, the Mustangs took over at the Rocket 43-yard line. Kenny ran for eight, McCabe picked up five and a first down, then Kenny ran four times for 29 yards, but another fumble was recovered by the Rockets at their five-yard line.

The Rockets were forced to punt again, and Casey Maben returned it to the eight-yard line to give the Mustangs excellent field position. McCabe took it to the one where Kenny took it in for the touchdown. The kick was no good but the Mustangs led 21-0 late in the second quarter.

The Rockets were trying to get a score late in the half, but Casey Maben picked off a pass at the goal line as the first half came to an end.

The Mustangs wasted no time getting on the board in the second half after taking over at their 39-yard line after the kickoff. Kenny went for 44 yards, then Caleb Maben went for 17 yards for the touchdown. The kick failed, but the Mustangs led 27-0 early in the third quarter.

The Rockets took the kickoff and drove down the field, but a 40 yard field goal hit the crossbar and bounced back in their best scoring threat of the night.

The Mustangs put together another drive as Caleb Maben ran five times for 55 yards and Kenny picked up 12 more. However, a penalty and a fumble gave the ball back to the Rockets at their 31-yard line.

Nacho Elguezabal had a sack for a six yard loss to force a punt, with the Mustangs taking over at their own 46-yard line. Kenny ran for nine yards, then Peck hit Matt Van Cleave for 45 yards and a touchdown. The kick was no good, but the Mustangs took a 33-0 lead with 3:35 left in the third quarter.

The Heppner defense held again and the Mustangs took over at their 37-yard line after the punt. Peck picked up two, Caleb Maben ran for eight, and Spencer Palmer picked up five after a short gain by Justin Delveaux. Caleb Maben ran twice for 40 yards, and Eddie Weddell went for three to set up a Josh Shank three yard touchdown run. Shank ran in the two-point conversion to make the score 41-0 early in the fourth.

The Mustangs were able to move the ball in the fourth, but were unable to score and the game ended with the Mustangs taking the 41-0 win.

Kenny led the way on the ground with 168 yards on 15 carries, with Caleb Maben adding 103 yards on nine carries. Palmer had 47 yards on five carries.

Peck completed 3 of 8 passes, two of them were for touchdowns.

Statistics:
Pilot Rock: 0 0 0 0

Heppner: 15 6 12 8 - 41

First quarter: Heppner-Casey Maben 21 yard run (Matt McCabe kick) 8:59; Rory Kilkenny 18 yard pass from Quinn Peck (Matt Kenny run) 3:00.

Second quarter: Heppner-Kenny one yard run (kick failed) 1:07.

Third quarter: Heppner-Caleb Maben 17 yard run (kick failed) 11:17; Matt Van Cleave 45 yard pass from Peck (kick failed) 3:35.

Fourth quarter: Heppner-Josh Shank three

yard run (Shank run) 10:10.
First downs: PR 9, Hepp 20

Rushes-yards: PR 30-74, Hepp 51-405

Passing yards: PR 87, Hepp 64

Passes: PR 8-22-2, Hepp 3-8-0

Fumbles-lost: PR 0-0, Hepp 5-3

Penalties-yards: PR 5-34, Hepp 3-30

Individual statistics

Rushing: Pilot Rock-Christensen 10-49, Howard 11-20, Byrnes 6-2, Jessen 3-3, Heppner-Kenny 15-168, Caleb Maben 9-103, Spencer Palmer 5-47, McCabe 8-39, Shank 2-31, Casey Maben 2-24, Peck 6-4, Waddell 1-3, Delveaux 3-(-1), Wellman 3-(-13).

Passing: Pilot Rock-Byrnes 8-22-2 87 yards. Heppner-Peck 3-8-0 64 yards.

Receiving: Pilot Rock-Christensen 3-20, Norquist 2-26, Bronson 2-17, Howard 1-7. Heppner-Van Cleave 1-45, Kilkenny 1-18, Kenny 1-1.

Marlene Currin takes first in quilt show

Marlene Currin of Heppner won a first-place ribbon in the queen-sized quilt division at the Greenfield Grange Quilt Show held September 10 in Boardman.

Second place went to Jill Jaspersen of Hermiston; third place also went to Marlene Currin (our cowgirl with her western quilt of Roy Rogers). Full-sized first place ribbon went to Verna Neal of Boardman, second place went to Barbara Hennes and third place to Sharon Mailloux.

Twin-sized first-place ribbon went to Barbara Hennes, second to Dorothy Tryon, third to Sherry Bishop. Small quilts and wall hangings first place ribbon went to Sharon Mailloux, second to Barbara Hennes, third place to Tracie Duitsman.

In the division for quilts made by children, first place ribbon went to Brianne Bishop, second place to Wyatt Bishop.

In the Quilts In the Making (tops) division, first place ribbon went to Jane Dean, second place to Sharon Mailloux. A second place ribbon was given to Jean Brace for a crib quilt. As the featured quilter, most of Dorothy Tryon's quilts were not judged. Reports are that one day out of the hospital, she was there doing her quilting.

No king sized quilts entered.

Several of the Cycle Oregon riders came by the show. "One said he wanted to get quilt shows started in Portland," said Jane Dean. "The local Quilting Ladies want to get together and plan a bigger show for next year."

Internet Security Part 3 Nothing fails like success

By Pat Struthers of Pat Struthers Consulting

In my previous article, I talked about some simple ways to secure your computer from direct security threats from the Internet. Both strategies relied on the same basic idea: if they can't find you, they can't get you. Disconnecting from your service provider when you are not using the Internet, and running some kind of firewall when you are online, will do that. Or at least they ought to.

One of the biggest headaches computer users have come to tolerate in recent years is the system crash. The screen freezes, the keyboard and mouse lock up, you stifle a strong urge to break the keyboard in half and cram it in the... Anyway, we've all been there. You turn the computer off, restart it, watch the scrolling gibberish while praying fervently to whatever computer deities exist that your work has not disappeared forever.

Why does this happen? Why do we put up with it? The blame lies in at least two places: with all of us (the huddling computer masses) and with the Evil Empire of Bill (i.e. Microsoft).

Microsoft operating systems have been temperamental and buggy since Bill Gates and Paul Allen first sold IBM the first version of MS-DOS back in the early 80's. The original DOS was extremely primitive; its main rival, CP/M, had more features and was certainly more stable. But by making their first big sale to the largest seller of personal computers in the universe (at that time, anyway), Gates and Allen gained instant market share. And to keep it, they adopted a cynical but successful design strategy.

This strategy was both clever and diabolical: instead of fixing the existing bugs in their software, they would simply introduce a new version of the software, with 'new' features ('new' to DOS, anyway). With any luck, the rewrite of their software and the gullibility of their customers would take care of any complaints. After all, if noone's complaining, there's nothing wrong, right? Pay us more money and we might fix it, eh?

The advent of the Windows operating system in the earlier 90's only made the bait-and-switch marketing tactics of Microsoft more obnoxious than ever. As the Windows system software became larger and more complex, with more 'features', it also found more ways to crash. A reliable backup system became a necessity rather than a luxury. Only when Microsoft began to compete in the business network market did it finally introduce a reasonably 'crash-proof' operating system: Windows NT. The release of NT finally convinced Microsoft that it must at least attempt to fix some of the most glaring flaws if it was to convince businesses that Windows was reliable enough to be used as a server platform.

The release of Windows 95 coincided with the Internet 'boom' of the mid-90's; '95 was particularly designed to take advantage of this by including all the basic tools needed to connect to and use the Internet. Outlook Express (an e-mail client) and Internet Explorer (a web browser) were the most successful of these programs, and they worked better than most third-party programs because they enjoyed privileged access to deep parts of Windows, as well as close ties to Microsoft's best selling Office software (i.e. Word, Excel, Access, Powerpoint, etc.).

So what? Deep integration of a software package into the operating system is wonderful for performance, but it also opens up a huge potential security hole: if that software can be crashed or subverted, it can compromise the entire operating system; a rogue program can do anything and see anything it wants to. This is exactly the situation with Internet Explorer. Since the newer versions of Windows are not perfect either, and since there is still no way to permanently remove IE from the equation, we're stuck with the same old buggy garbage that we've been putting up with for years. Right?

Not exactly. Windows XP and 2003, the most recent Microsoft operating systems, are actually based on NT, not the old bug riddled 95/98 system. They actually ARE more crashproof than previous products, even though you may have to buy a new computer to run them. But there is still a problem; Internet Explorer, Outlook and other products still have deep access to the system. What are we to do?

First you need to make sure that the few problems Microsoft DOES acknowledge are fixed. Run Windows Update, regardless of the version of Windows. It first upgrades Internet Explorer to the latest version (required, not optional!) and then downloads and installs the available security fixes. This at least puts your computer in the best shape that Microsoft can get it, security-wise.


Next, dump Internet Explorer. Mozilla Firefox (www.mozilla.org) and Opera (www.opera.com) are both free, easily downloaded from the Internet, and come with a ton of security features. Neither of these runs in a 'privileged' mode in Windows, nor do they rely on the dangerous ActiveX-based extensions that most spyware and malicious ads use to subvert Internet Explorer.

Then get rid of Outlook. Mozilla Thunderbird (see above) and Eudora Light (www.eudora.com) are excellent free e-mail programs, with the same basic features as Outlook. An even safer option, if you are willing to do without off-line access to your mail, is to use your ISP's web-based e-mail system. This puts a lot of the burden for virus/spyware scanning and spam blocking in the hands of your ISP's system rather than yours. If you are also using a secure web browser, you are pretty safe from most e-mail based attacks.

Lastly, make sure you check for updates on all these programs at least monthly, particularly Windows; new threats are always coming down the pipe. My next article will cover the various free and commercial virus, spyware, and adware deterrents that are available.

Port meeting date changed

This month only the Port of Morrow Regular Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18, at 1:30 p.m. at the Port of Morrow in Boardman.



Real Estate

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WHAT IT TAKE TO SELL SOONER

Selling your home is one transaction that you want to complete as soon as possible. You also want to get the best price you can. Setting the market price is probably the most important ingredient in determining the length of time it takes to sell a home. Like you, I make more when your house goes for a higher price. Unfortunately, it's not that easy. Finding the right price that will still sell in a reasonable time takes a working knowledge of the local market. Sometimes putting too high a selling price can actually cost

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