

Mustangs use turnovers, Matt Kenny running to beat Raiders 33-7



Matt Kenny rushes for some of his 202 yards

photo by Sandy Matthews

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustangs used six Lost River turnovers and 202 yards rushing with four touchdowns from Matt Kenny to beat the Raiders 33-7 in the second round of the U.S. Bank/Les Schwab OSAA Class-2A State Football Championship on Saturday, Nov. 19 at Heppner. The Mustangs, 10 and 0 on the year, will be at home again on Saturday, Nov. 26 against the Blanchet Catholic Cavaliers in the quarterfinals.

The Raiders took over at their 35-yard line after the opening kickoff but were unable to move the ball and had to punt with the Mustangs taking over at their 48-yard line. Matt McCabe ran for 6 yards, Casey Maben one, Kenny went for two and on fourth and one went for seven more and a first down at the seven. An offside penalty took it inside the five; Maben took it to the one. On the next play a fumble at the goal line was recovered in the end zone by the Raiders.

On the next play, Maben picked off a Raider pass and brought it back to the Lost River 28 yard line and the Mustangs were back in business. Caleb Maben ran twice for 17 yards, Casey Maben went for four then took it to the end zone from seven yards out for the touchdown. Peck hit VanCleave in the corner of the end zone for the two-point conversion and the Mustangs led 8-0 with 2:34 left in the first quarter.

The Raiders took over at their own 33 after

the kick-off and again turned the ball over as Justin Gregory caused a fumble that Rory Kilkenny jumped on at the Lost river 45 yard line. The Mustangs returned the favor though as the Raiders picked off a pass at their 36-yard line. They were forced to punt when Gregory made a tackle for a loss on third down and the Mustangs took on third down and the Mustangs took over at their 12-yard line as the first quarter came to an end.

The Mustangs were unable to move the ball and were forced to punt but VanCleave picked off a pass to give them the ball back at their own 37-yard line. The Kenny show then turned on as he went twice for 12 yards broke free for 25 yards then took off down the sideline for a 26-yard touchdown. The pass failed on the conversion but the Mustangs led 14-0 with 8:16 left in the second quarter.

The Mustangs got the ball back again when Peter Goer jumped a fumble in the Raider backfield and they took over at the Lost River 19 yard line. Kenny ran four times for 16 yards, Peck took it to the one where Kenny punched it in for his second touchdown. The conversion pass again failed but the Mustangs led 20-0 with 5:02 left in the first half.

The Raiders put together their best drive of the first half but a field goal attempt was blocked as the first half came to an end with the Mustangs leading 20-0.

The Mustangs took the second half kick off and were unable to move the ball

and were forced to punt with the Raiders taking over at their 44-yard line. The Raiders were faced with a fourth down and less than a yard but the Mustangs defense held as Kilkenny and Aaron Allstott tackled the runner for a loss giving Heppner the ball at their own 47-yard line.

The teams traded several punts for most of the third quarter as both defenses wouldn't allow the other team to get anything going until Peck picked off a pass and returned it 27 yards to the Raider 17 yard line. Kenny went for 13 yards then took it in the end zone from the four for his third touchdown, Lane Bailey kicked the extra point to make it 27-0 as the third quarter came to an end.

The teams traded punts until Lost River put together a drive and scored on a 15-yard pass from Cort Cot to Jake Baley and after the extra point they cut the lead to 27-7 midway through the fourth quarter.

Mikel Britt jumped on the Raiders onside kick at the Heppner 47 yard line and they went back to work. Kenny went for two a delay of game penalty cost them five but Peck hit VanCleave for a 17-yard gain and a first down. A holding penalty took it back to midfield but Kenny ran three times for 20 yards and a first down to the 30-yard line. Peck went for one then a 20-yard touchdown run by Casey Maben was brought back by a holding penalty. Kenny then went for 22 yards to the 17-yard line then broke free for his fourth touchdown of the game. The conversion



Matt VanCleave intercepts pass against Raiders

photo by Sandy Matthews

run failed but the Mustangs led 33-7 late in the game.

VanCleave picked off his second pass of the Game on the Raiders next possession to seal the victory. Spencer Palmer ran twice for four yards as the clock ran out sending the Mustangs to the quarterfinals.

The defense held Lost River to just 25 yards on 29 carries and was led by Kilkenny with 30 defensive points with Geer and VanCleave each adding 22 points. Kenny had 21 points, Gregory 18 points, Allstott 14 points, McCabe and Nacho Elguezabal each had 11 points and Kyle Carlson had 9 points. Kenny had 202 yards rushing on 30 carries for four touchdowns and VanCleave caught two passes for 27 yards.

Lost River	0	0
Heppner	8	12

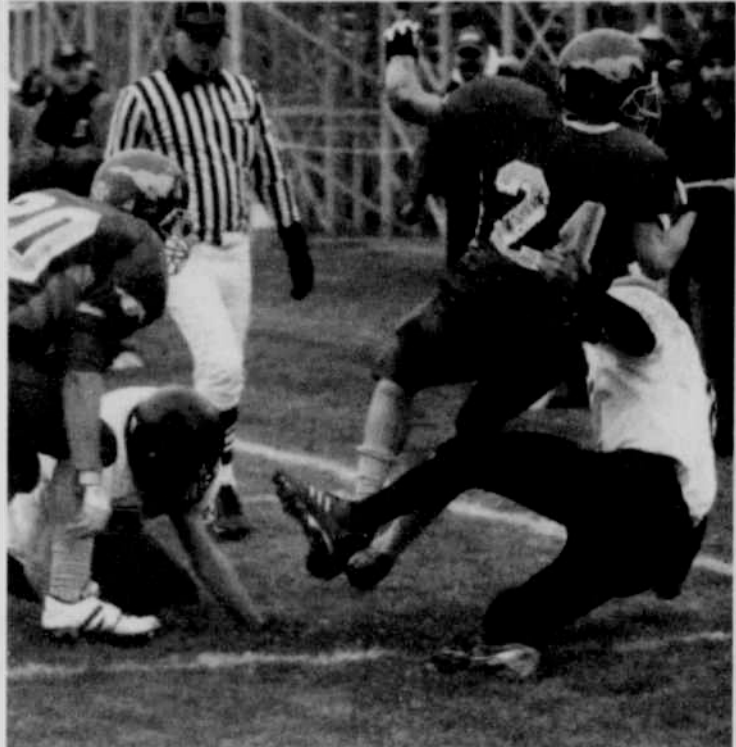
First Quarter
Heppner- Casey Maben 7 yard run (Matt VanCleave pass from Quinn Peck) 2:34

Second Quarter
Heppner- Matt Kenny 26 yard run (pass failed) 8:16
Heppner- Kenny 1 yard run (pass failed) 5:02

Third Quarter
Heppner- Kenny 4 yard run (Lane Bailey kick) :03

Fourth Quarter
Lone River- Jake Baley 15 yard pass from Car Cox (Hernandez kick) 5:58
Heppner- Kenny 17 yard run (run failed) 1:50

Team Statistics	
Lone River	
Heppner	
First downs	9
Rushes-yards	29-25 49-238
Passing yards	152 27
Passes	



Caleb Maben gets drug down from behind

photo by Sandy Matthews

13-3-4	2-6-1
Fumbles-lost	4-2
Penalties-yards	4-30
7-45	

Individuals

Rushing- Lost River: Hernandez 3-23, Lulis Chavarin, 9-19, Omar Valadex 8-11, Eusebio Alonzo 2-2, Sean Hickey 1-3, Kylan Taylor 3-(-1), Cox 3-(-23).

Prescription Drug Plan informational workshops scheduled

Morrow County Health District will be holding Medicare Part D (Prescription Drug Plan) informational workshops throughout the county during the next three weeks, announced District Administrator Victor Vander Does.

The lone workshop will be held Wednesday, Nov. 30. Everyone is asked to meet at the school cafeteria. In Heppner, a workshop will be presented on Thursday, Dec. 1 at the Jr./Sr. High School Computer Lab, Room #11. The Boardman workshop will be held Monday, Dec. 5

Heppner: Kenny 30-202, Matt McCabe 5-17, Caleb Maben 3-17, Casey Maben 4-14, Peck 5-(-16), Spencer Palmer 2-4.

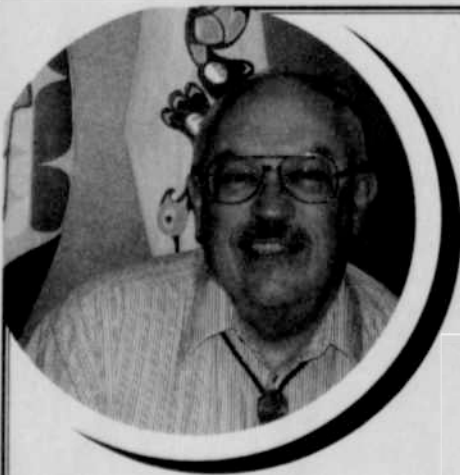
Passing- Lost River: Cox 13-29-3 152 yards, Hickey 0-1-1 0. Heppner: Peck 2-6-1 22 yards.

Receiving- Lost River: Taylor 7-79, Hickey 3-30, Baley 2-21, Valadex 1-26. Heppner: VanCleave 2-27.

at Riverside Jr./Sr. High School in the Computer Lab, Room 207. In Irrigon, a workshop will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 7 in the computer lab, downstairs in Room 87.

All workshops will run from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Participants will need to bring their Medicare Card and a list of their current prescriptions. Family and friends are also welcome to attend.

"Everyone is encouraged to attend these workshops," says Administrator Victor Vander Does. "The new Medicare Prescription Drug coverage begins January 1, but in order for the coverage to be in place, participants must sign up before that date. This first sign up period runs through May 15, 2005. You can sign up after that date, but coverage will be more expensive. The workshops will be helpful because, by using each participant's list of prescriptions, we will be able to show people their options and give them printouts to take with them for use in evaluating the plans that are accepted by the pharmacy they would like to use," Vander Does explained.



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