

Cardinal JVs win two over weekend

The Ione boys' JV team recorded two wins over the weekend, downing Condon-Wheeler, 31-25, in Ione on Friday, Jan. 27 and squeaking past Cascade Locks, 56-53, on the road Saturday, Jan. 28.

A 12-5 first quarter got the Cardinals the lead they needed to get past Condon-Wheeler as the teams played close to even after that. The score was 19-11 at the half and 25-16 after three. Condon-Wheeler outscored Ione 9-6 in the final period but couldn't get any closer than the final margin of six points.

Clay Morter was high point scorer for the game with 10 points. Also scoring for Ione was Justin Archer with six, Derek Davidson and Cory Peterson with four each, William Wehrli with three and Matt Coleman and Kevin Fowler with two each.

The Cards scored big on the boards, outrebounding the Knights 39-25, led by Cory Peterson's 10 rebounds. Morter and Fowler added eight each. Archer and William Bergstrom paced the team with two assists each and Morter recorded four steals.

Coach Jim Swanson noted that the game wasn't as pretty as some of their other outings. "The kids had a hard time getting the ball to drop. They won this game on defense," he said. Swanson noted that Cory Peterson had an outstanding effort with 10 rebounds. "I really enjoy his 110 percent effort especially against players who are taller than he is."

Playing at Cascade

Pony girls' A team wins two and loses one

The Heppner Pony girls' A team traveled to Helix on Jan. 28, to compete in the Helix Tournament.

The Ponies faced the Ione Cardinals in their first game. The Ponies came out with strong defensive intensity and led 22-4 at the half. In the second half, the Ponies held Ione to only two points and won the game 37-6. Catherine McElligott and Jessica Hughes both scored in double figures for the Ponies. Four other Ponies also scored in the game.

The Ponies faced the Echo Cougars in their second game. The Ponies led the entire game and won 43-16. Erin Price and McElligott each scored 12 points in the game. Hughes added 9 points in the win. Coach Melissa Coiner said, "Catherine made her presence felt today. She was grabbing rebounds and scoring points when we

Locks on Saturday, the JV team had two big quarters and two ice-cold quarters but pulled together in the fourth quarter for the narrow three-point victory.

The Cardinals trailed 13-7 after one period but ran off 26 points, 11 points from Paul Hams, in the second quarter to grab the lead 33-24 at halftime. The Pirates outscored the Cards 13-4 in the third to knot the score 37 all after three. Ione dug deep in the fourth, outscoring their opponent 19-16 for the win. The JV team is 7-1 in league play, 9-6 overall.

Three Cards scored in double figures led by Clay Morter with 15, Derek Davidson with 13 and Paul Hams with 11. Also scoring for Ione was Cory Peterson with eight, Kevin Fowler with four, Justin Archer with three and Dalton Campbell with three.

Peterson had another huge night on the boards with 12 rebounds as Ione had a hard-fought 33-23 rebounding advantage. Also helping out was Morter with six and Fowler with five. Davidson led the team with four steals and Archer led with five assists.

Coach Swanson commended Peterson's game with 12 rebounds and eight points as well as noting the all around good play of Morter, Davidson, Archer and Fowler. "Also Paul Hams' 11 points in the second quarter was a great spark for the team," he said.

"The kids are very energetic and fun to watch," he added. "When you play a team like Cascade Locks, you need to stay in control and we were able to do that."

needed them."

In their final game, the Ponies faced the Helix Grizzlies. The Ponies had lost twice to the Grizzlies and wanted revenge. It wasn't to be. The Ponies came out flat and the Grizzlies took advantage of costly turnovers and poor defense. Helix led 21-4 at the half. In the second half, the Ponies stepped up their defensive pressure and held Helix to only two points, but the deficit was too large to overcome and the Ponies lost 15-23. Price led the team with 10 points.

Coiner said, "I was impressed with the way that Erin played today. These were break-out games for her. She was passing the ball really well today. Unfortunately, the girls got tired and our defense was non-existent in the first half against Helix."

Cardinals split over weekend

The Ione boys' varsity split their games last weekend, falling to Condon-Wheeler, 58-38, in Ione on Friday, Jan. 27 and winning a thriller in Cascade Locks, 51-50, on Saturday, Feb. 28.

Shooting woes continued to plague the Cardinals against Condon Wheeler as the Cards shot 27 percent from the field compared to 45 percent for the Knights. After trailing early in the game, Ione came back to lead at the end of one quarter 14-13. Condon Wheeler outscored Ione 10-6 in the low-scoring second period to lead 23-20 at the half. After the break, the Knights poured in 20 points to Ione's 10 to build an nearly insurmountable lead, 43-30 after three before coasting home for the 58-38 win.

Dan Long led the Cardinals in scoring with 10 points. Kelly Thompson had eight and Nik Kamp had six.

The Knights held a 32-26 rebounding edge over the Cards. For Ione, Nik Kamp and Kip Krebs led the way with six boards each.

"Once again, we had troubles shooting the ball," said Coach Dennis Stefani. "I keep waiting for all of this to change. We just have to stay positive and I know things will come around for us."

The Cardinals headed to Cascade Locks on Saturday, knowing that it is

always a tough place to play but determined to get the team back on the winning track. From the beginning, the Cards were in the hole, trailing 13-8 after one, 24-21 at the half, and 33-31 after three. In the final period, Ione outscored the Pirates 20-17 but it was a last second tip-in by Kelly Thompson that gave the Cards the thrilling win.

"Kelly Thompson, Tyler Brown and Tony Bolin played with great determination," said assistant coach, Jim Swanson. "They were not going to let this one slip by." Swanson also noted that Brown's inbound pass to Thompson leading to the winning bucket "was perfect."

Thompson led the Cardinals in scoring with 16 points. Brown added 14 and Dan Long had eight.

Brown's nine rebounds, helped along by seven each from Thompson, Bolin and Long, led the Cardinals to a 38-26 rebounding edge. Thompson paced the team with six assists in the contest.

"The main thing was that they never gave up and seemed to be in sync better than I have seen them play in the last four games," said Swanson. "Plus I think they were all feeling better after a round of sickness. I hope we are back on track."

Pony girls' B team splits at Helix Tournament

The Heppner Pony girls' B team traveled to Helix on Jan. 28, to compete in the Helix Tournament. The girls played two games and finished the day with one win and one loss.

In their first game, the Ponies faced the Echo Cougars. The Ponies had previously beaten the Cougars, but this time Echo got the best of the Pony team. Echo won the game 22-16. Seven Ponies scored in the game. Julia Meyer and Carrie Haguewood led the team with three points each.

In their second

game, the Ponies faced the Helix Grizzlies. The Ponies fell behind in the first half but pulled ahead in the second half behind tough defensive pressure. The Ponies won the game 25-14. Again, the Ponies had a balanced scoring attack. Brooke Thompson led the team with seven points and Natalie Rauch added four.

Coach Keith Price was pleased with the balanced scoring output. "We have been struggling this season to score the ball, and we had ten girls score for us today," said Price.

Help sponsor Heppner youth

Sarah Johnson, sophomore at Heppner High School, has been invited to attend the Congressional Student Leadership Conference (CSLC) in Washington D.C., this summer. Only a very few are chosen to attend this extraordinary and rare event. However, this HHS students needs your help to pay the \$750 tuition.

Johnson is hosting a spaghetti feed, 6-8 p.m., on

Tuesday, Feb. 7, during the Heppner versus Weston-McEwen basketball game at Heppner High School. The cost is \$5 per plate and each plate will include spaghetti, salad (with salad dressing), rolls, dessert, coffee and punch. It will be held in Mrs. Gentry's room near the gym. At the spaghetti feed there will be boxes if you would like to donate used soda bottles and cans.

Class of '86 to hold reunion

The Heppner High School Class of 1986 will be holding their 20-year class reunion July 21-23. More details will follow. If you were in that class and have not been contacted, please call Dana Reid at 447-1369.

Heppner Booster Club to meet

The Heppner Junior/Senior High School Booster Club meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 8. The meeting will be held in the high school home-ec room. Booster Club class representatives and anyone interested is encouraged to attend.

Mustang JV girls lose two

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV girls lost twice over the weekend, at Umatilla 35-20 on Friday, Jan. 27 and at home to Sherman County 35-25 on Saturday. The Mustangs dropped to 9 and 9 on the year and will be at Pilot Rock on Friday, Feb. 3 and back at home on Saturday to face the Irrigon Knights.

At Umatilla, the Mustangs trailed by one after the first quarter at 6-5, but managed just two points in the second and trailed 14-7 at the half. The Vikings continued to pull away in the second half to take the win.

Maggie Armato led the Mustangs with four points, with Stephanie Cutsforth and Melissa West each adding three points.

On Saturday, both teams had a hard time finding the basket as the Huskies led 4-2 after one and 12-10 at the half, despite six points from Whitney Matthews. Sarah Milner had four points in the third, but the Huskies extended their lead to 26-20 and they made nine of 16 free throws in the fourth to hang on for the win.

Milner led the Mustangs with nine points, six rebounds and two steals, with Matthews adding six points and two assists. Kelsey Fox had six rebounds, Armato had five rebounds, West had three assists, Kaylee Helfrecht had two steals and Vickie Koch had two steals.

Mustang JV boys win two more

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV boys picked up two more wins running their winning streak to eight, beating Umatilla 47-43 at Umatilla on Friday, Jan. 27 and winning at home against Sherman County 57-46 on Saturday. The Mustangs, now 10 and 3, will be at Pilot Rock on Friday, Feb. 3 and back at home on Saturday to face the Irrigon Knights.

The Mustangs took a 13-6 lead after one at Umatilla, getting five points, including a 3-pointer, from Lane Bailey, but the Vikings came back to tie it at 21-21 at the half. The Vikings took a 34-31 lead after three, despite six points, including a 3-pointer, from Justin Delveaux but the Mustangs rallied in the fourth, getting 10 points from Bailey and four from Nacho Elguezabal to take the narrow win.

Bailey finished with 15 points, with Delveaux and Elguezabal each adding eight points.

On Saturday, the Mustangs jumped out to an 18-8 lead over the Huskies after one, getting 10 points from Elguezabal and four each from Delveaux and Andre Rauch. Nathan Van Cleave had four points in the second, but the Huskies came back to cut the lead to 24-20 at the half. Bailey had five points and Elguezabal and Sam King each had four points as the Mustangs led 42-38 after three. Delveaux and King each had four points in the fourth as they pulled away for the win.

Elguezabal led the way with 17 points, with King adding 10 points. Delveaux and Rauch each finished with eight points.

Heppner 47, Umatilla 43
Heppner 138 10 16-47
Umatilla 6 15 12 9-43
Heppner- Lane
Bailey 5 4-4 15, Justin

Umatilla 35, Heppner 20
Heppner 5 2 7 6-20
Umatilla 6 8 8 13-35
Heppner- Maggie
Armato 1 2-2 4, Stephanie
Cutsforth 1 1-2 3, Melissa
West 1 1-6 3, Kylie Doherty
0 2-2 2, Sarah Milner 0 2-2
2, Baillie Keithley 1 0-0 2,
Kassie Wilson 1 0-0 2,
Mercedes Garrett 1 0-0 2,
Kaylee Helfrecht 0 0-2 0,
Lynnell Bowie, Chelsey
Hedman, Vickie Koch and
Kelsey Fox. Team: 6 6-18
20. 3-pts: none.

Umatilla-Humbert 4
0-1 8, Routson 2 2-2 6,
Dahlin 2 0-0 4, Solis 2 0-0
4, Kennedy 2 0-0 4, Lougee
2 0-0 4, Harris 1 0-0 2, Loria
1 0-0 2, Mendoza 0 1-4 1
and Aldred 0 0-2 0. Team:
16 3-9 35. 3-pts: none.

Sherman County 35,
Heppner 25
Sherman County 4 8
14 9-35

Heppner 2 8 10 5-25
Sherman County-C.
VonBorstel 3 4-5 10, K.
VonBorstel 3 0-4 6,
Coleman 1 5-8 7, J.
VonBorstel 1 2-4 4, Ambriz
1 0-2 2, Simantel 1 0-0 2,
Sharp 1 0-0 2 and Guzman
1 0-2 2. Team: 12 11-25 35.
3-pts: none.

Heppner- Milner 4
1-3 9, Whitney Matthews 2
2-2 6, Armato 1 2-4 4,
Doherty 1 0-0 2, Keithley 1
0-0 2, Cutsforth 0 0-2 0, Fox
0 0-2 0, Bowie, Helfrecht,
Wilson, Koch and Garrett.
Team: 10 5-15 25. 3-pts:
none.

Delveaux 2 3-4 8, Nacho
Elguezabal 4 0-0 8, Andre
Rauch 2 1-2 5, Jason
Houweling 1 0-0 2, Tony
Haguewood 1 0-1 2, Aaron
Allstott 1 0-2 2, Brendan
McElligott 1 0-0 2, Sam
King 1 0-0 2, Nathan Van
Cleave 0 0-2 0, Nathan
Kennedy 0 1-2 1 and Braden
Britt. Team: 18 9-17 47. 3-
pts: Bailey and Delveaux.

Umatilla- Bursell 3
3-4 9, Macias 4 0-0 8,
Wyland 3 0-0 6, Manriquez
2 0-0 5, Johnston 2 0-0 4,
Navarette 1 2-2 4, Aparcio
1 0-0 2, Stice 1 0-1 2, Young
0 1-2 1 and Bambela 0 1-2
1. Team: 17 7-11 43. 3-pts:
Manriquez.

Heppner 57,
Sherman County 46
Heppner 18 6 18 15-
57
Sherman County 8
12 18 7-46

Heppner-
Elguezabal 7 3-6 17, King 4
2-5 10, Rauch 4 0-0 8,
Delveaux 4 0-0 8, Van
Cleave 3 0-0 6, Bailey 2 1-1
5, McElligott 1 0-0 2,
Haguewood 0 1-2 1,
Kennedy, Houweling,
Allstott and Britt. Team: 25
7-14 57. 3-pts: none.

Sherman County-
Moore 5 5-6 15, Quintero 3
2-6 8, Guzman 1 6-11 8,
Wood 2 2-2 6, Ambriz 2 0-0
5, McCollough 0 3-4 3 and
Francis. Team: 13 18-29 46.
3-pts: Ambriz.

Head Start to hold Bowl-a-Thon

The Heppner Head Start group will be holding a Bowl-a-Thon on Saturday, Feb. 3 beginning at 10 a.m., at Shamrock Lanes in Heppner.

The Head Start kids will be bowling and individuals can pledge a certain dollar amount or pledge an amount per pin knocked down.

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