

Ione boys take two league wins

The Ione boys' varsity notched two league wins over the weekend, downing Condon-Wheeler in Ione on Friday night and defeating Cascade Locks on the road on Saturday. The wins move the team's league mark to 3-1 in Big Sky Conference play and 7-5 overall.

Five players in double figures provided the winning combination for the Cardinals against the perennially tough Condon-Wheeler team. The Cards jumped out to an early 7-0 first quarter lead before the Knights responded. Three three-pointers in the quarter kept the Knights in the game. A Cory Peterson three-pointer at the buzzer put the Cardinals up 24-19 after one. The Knights went on a 5-0 run to open the second quarter tying the game at 24. With two and half minutes gone in the period, Alan Rietmann finally got the Cardinals on the board when he drove for two. The Knights pulled ahead for their only lead of the game midway through the second quarter, 31-30, but the Cardinals had a 10-0 run as an answer, a scoring bonanza that included back-to-back threes by Alan Rietmann and Paul Hams. Ione went to the locker room at halftime sitting on a 40-31 lead.

With two minutes remaining in the third quarter, Ione had their biggest lead of the game with a 15 point spread. The quarter ended with Ione leading 55-42. The game was nowhere near won though. The Knights battled back in the fourth quarter, closing to within six points on a huge three point shot, with 1:30 left on the clock. The Cardinals were not to be denied however. They responded with ten unanswered points in the last 1:20 to take the 75-59 win.

"Team play was the difference," said Coach Dennis Stefani, pointing to the fact that all five starters were in double figures and the team had 23 assists in the game. "This may have been one of our best performances as a team so far this year."

Alan Rietmann led the team in scoring with 19 points. Paul Hams had 16, Clay Morter had 14 and Kip Krebs and Justin Archer had 10 each. Paul Hams had a double double with a whopping 10 assists to complement his points. Clay Morter also had a double double with 10 rebounds. Justin Archer led the team with four steals.

The Cards had one of their better shooting nights, hitting 55% from the field and 55% from behind the three point line.



The boys' varsity team won two league games this weekend to bring their overall mark to 7-5. -Photo by Theresa Crawford

The Cards took the long trip to Cascade Locks on January 5, trying to avoid the letdown that sometimes comes after a big win. Early on, the Pirates were hitting, getting out to a 6-0 lead before a Paul Hams' three-pointer got the Cardinals on the board with three minutes gone in the quarter. Cascade Locks stretched out their lead to 10-3 before the Cardinals got down to business. The Cards went on a 21-0 rampage that started in the middle of the first quarter and ended in the middle of the second quarter that putting Ione up 24-10. Cascade Locks' scoring drought ended with a pair of free throws but the Pirates were without a field goal until the clock read 3:34 in the second quarter. The Pirates stayed in the game mainly on the back of deadly free-throw shooting, hitting 9 of 10 in the quarter. At the half, the score was Ione 29, Cascade Locks 23.

Kip Krebs had eight points in the third quarter as the Cardinals outscored the Pirates 14-9 and worked to put them away for good. They refused to go quietly, closing the Cardinal lead to seven midway through the final frame. Again the Cards were able to respond. Justin Archer hit a long two and followed up with another bucket on the fast break. After a Pirate score, Matt Hams canned a three as the Cardinals outscored Cascade Locks 13-6 in the closing minutes to take the 59-45 win.

"I think we may have tried to hurry our offensive possession a bit during this game," said Coach Dennis Stefani. "But overall, I was happy with the win. Cascade Locks is always a hard place to get a win so to come out of there with this win was big." He was especially pleased to see that the team shot a sizzling 67% from the floor in the second half and that they had just 11 turnovers in the game.

Kip Krebs had a good outing, leading all scorers with 17 points. Jus-

tin Archer added 10. Clay Morter's team-leading 10 rebounds helped the Cards to a 30-26 rebounding edge and Paul Hams had another fine day dishing the ball, tallying an outstanding nine assists.

The Cardinals continue their Big Sky campaign at Echo on Tuesday, hosting Arlington on Friday and traveling to Helix on Saturday.

Box Scores:

Ione 13 16 14 16 - 59
 Cascade Locks 10 13 9 13 - 45
 Ione (7-5, 3-1 BSC-E) - Kip Krebs 17, Justin Archer 10, Matt Hams 9, Paul Hams 7, Clay Morter 7, Alan Rietmann 7, Kevin Fowler 2, Cory Peterson, Tanner Rietmann, RJ Ramos CLHS (4-5, 1-2 BSC-W) - Dan Nolan 11, Derrell Harbaugh 10, Dan Russell 8, Kyle Prowett 7, Jake Nolan 5, Levi Brazil 2, Mike Ryan 2, Alex Rose, Cory Williams, Kelly Larsen, David Quinton 3-point field goals - Ione 3, CLHS 1. Free throws - Ione 4-6, CLHS 10-13. Fouls - Ione 15, CLHS 11.

Condon-Wheeler 19 12 11 17 - 59
 Ione 24 16 15 20 - 75
 Condon-Wheeler (6-5, 2-1 BSC-E) - Urbach 4, McClines 15, Logan 11, Barnett 9, Standiford 11, Thompson 9, Messenger, Wagenaar. Ione (6-5, 2-1 BSC-E) - Justin Archer 10, Clay Morter 14, Kip Krebs 10, Paul Hams 16, Alan Rietmann 19, Kevin Fowler 1, Matt Hams 2, Cory Peterson 3. 3-point field goals - Condon-Wheeler 6, Ione 6. Free throws - Condon-Wheeler 9-17, Ione 7-11. Fouls - Condon-Wheeler 15, Ione 15.

Ione Basketball Schedule

Jan. 11 - Arlington at Ione, 4:30 p.m.
 Jan. 12 - at Helix, 1 p.m.
 Jan. 18 - Nixyaawii at Ione, 3:30 p.m.
 Jan. 19 - at Sherman, noon.
 Jan. 25 - at Condon, 3 p.m.
 Jan. 26 - Horizon at Ione, 1 p.m.
 Jan. 29 - Echo at Ione, 3 p.m.
 Feb. 1 - at Nixyaawii, 3 p.m.
 Feb. 5 - Central Christian at Ione, 1 p.m.
 Feb. 8 - Helix at Ione, 3 p.m.
 Feb. 9 - at Arlington, 1 p.m.
 Feb. 14-16 - District Tournament at Umatilla, TBA
 Feb. 19 - Boys first round regional, TBA
 Feb. 20 - Girls first round regional, TBA
 Feb. 22 - Boys second round regional, TBA
 Feb. 23 - Girls second round regional, TBA
 Feb. 27-March 1 - State Tournament at Baker City, TBA

Lady Cardinals take first Big Sky win

The Ione Lady Cardinals got their first Big Sky win over the weekend, downing Cascade Locks on the road on January 5. They lost to league powerhouse, Condon-Wheeler, the previous day in Ione.

It was a low scoring affair in Cascade Locks. After leading 7-4 at the end of one quarter, the teams were tied at nine at half-time. The Lady Cards put up ten points in the third quarter, getting four each from Emily Rietmann and Beth Morter to build the lead to 19-13. The Pirates cut the lead to four, hitting the first bucket of the fourth quarter. Emily Rietmann hit two free throws before Cascade Locks connected again. Tiana Camarillo got a steal and a lay-up followed by an Emily Rietmann jumper followed by another steal and lay-in, this time by Beth Morter to build the lead to 10, 27-17, with under three minutes to go. Ione got their last point from Tori Heagy, hitting the first half of a one and one. Cascade Locks hit one more basket and a free throw to make the final score 28-20 in favor of Ione.

Emily Rietmann led the team in scoring with eight. Tiana Camarillo and Beth Morter each had six; Kaylee Palmateer and Tori Heagy had three each and Brenna Rietmann added two. Emily Rietmann had 12 rebounds and Beth Morter had three blocked shots in the game.

"This was an important win for us," said Coach Ryan Rudolf. "Our press worked well and we played very good team defense. We still struggled a bit offensively, but we did enough to get the win. Hopefully, we can build some momentum off this game and get back into the race for a district spot." On Friday, the Lady



The Lady Cardinals won their first league game this weekend against Cascade Locks. -Photo by Theresa Crawford

Cards hung tough for the first quarter, trailing 5-9 at the conclusion, but could find no answer for Condon-Wheeler's shooting duo of Megan Greenfield and Kylie Hankins in the second. Ione was outscored 22-1 in that second quarter to put the game out of reach. The Lady Cardinals matched the Lady Knights in the scoring department in the second half but couldn't make up the big deficit from the second quarter. "We dug ourselves a huge hole in the second quarter (22-1 C/W) that we couldn't come back from. We were too tentative in the first half" said Coach Ryan Rudolf. "We played better in the second half, but right now, we don't score enough points to come back from a 25-point deficit. They are one of the top teams in the Big Sky and it showed."

Box Scores:

C-W 9 22 6 13 - 50
 Ione 5 1 6 13 - 25
 Condon-Wheeler (9-2, 2-1

BSC-E) - Megan Greenfield 14, Kylie Hankins 12, Elise Heidi 10, Katie Wagenaar 7, Marnie Fitzsimmons 4, Meagan Moore 2, Kelli Kayser 1. Ione (3-8, 0-3 BSC-E) - Beth Morter 6, Kaylee Palmateer 5, Tori Heagy 4, Emily Rietmann 3, Tiana Camarillo 2, Stefanie Archer 2, Kylee Svetich 1.

Ione 7 2 10 9 - 28
 Cascade Locks 4 5 4 7 - 20
 Ione (4-8, 1-3 Big Sky) - Emily Rietmann 8, Beth Morter 6, Tiana Camarillo 6, Tori Heagy 3, Kaylee Palmateer 3, Brenna Rietmann, Teonna Vandever, Kylie Svetich, Brianna Peterson, Stefanie Archer, Tyree Svetich. Cascade Locks (0-6, 0-2 Big Sky) - Stratton 8, Harbaugh 4, Rutherford 2, Cantwell 2, Mohr 1, Ryan 3, Hudson, Baseman. 3-point field goals - Ione 1, Cascade Locks 0. Free throws - Ione 5-14, Cascade Locks 2-6. Fouls - Ione 17, Cascade Locks. Fouled out - K. Svetich (Ione).

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office reports handling the following business:

Dec. 9: MCSO received a report from a caller on I-84 westbound that a vehicle rolled. It was a non-injury accident. A deputy was unable to locate the vehicle on arrival.

MCSO received a report from two callers on I-84 westbound that a vehicle slid off the road. It appeared to be a non-injury accident. A tow truck arrived before a deputy could.

MCSO received a report from a caller on I-84 eastbound of a pickup on its side. A deputy arrived on the scene; it was a non-injury accident.

MCSO deputy advised of a truck that rolled over on I-84 eastbound. Oregon State Police handled the call. A tow truck arrived on the scene also.

MCSO received a report from a caller on I-84 westbound of a truck on its side; the vehicle rolled. It was a non-injury accident.

MCSO received a report from a caller on I-84 eastbound that a pickup just went over on its side. Oregon State Police took the report.

MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon that someone went through his fence. The caller requested a deputy contact due to the fact a telephone box was also taken out.

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Heppner Junior High Boys/Girls Basketball Schedule

January 10 - The Dalles at Heppner (G-A/B) at 4 p.m.
 January 11 - Echo Girls (Cove also) at Echo (G-A/B) at 9 a.m.
 January 12 - Ione Tournament (B/G-A/B) at 9 a.m.
 January 12 - Ione, Sherman at Heppner (B-A/B) at 9 a.m.
 January 17 - Pendleton at Heppner (G-A/B) at 4 p.m.
 January 18 - Echo/Union at Echo (G-A/B).
 January 19 - Heppner Tourney (G-A/B) at 9 a.m.
 January 24 - Pilot Rock at Heppner (G-A/B) at 5 p.m.
 January 25 - The Dalles at The Dalles (G-A/B) at 3:30 p.m.
 January 31 - Pendleton at Pendleton (G-A/B) at 4 p.m.
 February 2 - Heppner Tourney (G-A/B) at 9 a.m.
 February 9 - Sherman at Sherman (Girls A) at 10 a.m.

Ione Middle School Basketball Schedule

Jan. 11 - Arlington at Ione, 11 a.m.
 Jan. 12 - at Heppner (boys), 9 a.m.
 Jan. 12 - Ione Tournament (girls), 9 a.m.
 Jan. 18 - at Condon, 1 p.m.
 Jan. 19 - Heppner Tourney at Heppner (girls), 9 a.m.
 Jan. 25 - at Condon, 4 p.m.
 Jan. 26 - at Arlington, 10 a.m.
 Feb. 2 - at Helix (girls), 9 a.m.
 Feb. 8 - Fossil at Ione, 11 a.m.
 Feb. 9 - Sherman Tourney at Moro, 10 a.m.

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January 11 - Stanfield at Heppner, 3 p.m.
 January 12 - Irrigon at Irrigon, 1 p.m.
 January 18 - Pilot Rock at Pilot Rock, 3 p.m.
 January 19 - Weston McEwen at Heppner, 1 p.m.
 January 25 - Enterprise at Enterprise, 3 p.m.
 January 26 - Elgin at Elgin, 1 p.m.
 February 1 - Union at Heppner, 3 p.m.
 February 2 - Weston McEwen at Athena, 1 p.m.
 February 5 - Irrigon at Heppner, 3 p.m.
 February 8 - Stanfield at Stanfield, 3 p.m.
 February 15, 16 - District at Pendleton, TBA.

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