

Ione falls to Dufur 76-34 in homecoming showdown

The Ione Cardinals suffered a humbling defeat at the hands of the Dufur Rangers last Friday night 76-34 putting a damper on the otherwise festive homecoming atmosphere. The Rangers were ranked #1 in the latest state 1A football poll.

The Cards opened the game on a high note when Matt Hams ran the opening kickoff back 85 yards for a touchdown. The point after was no good but the Cardinals led 6-0. Dufur immediately retaliated with four unanswered scores in the first quarter.

At the end of the quarter, the Cards were moving the ball. Starting on their own 40, the Cards moved to the Ranger 20 mainly thanks to a 35 yard pass from RJ Ramos to Clay Morter. But on the 20 yard line on fourth and 10, the Rangers deflected a Ramos pass and took possession of the ball on their own 20. They opened the second quarter with a 75 yard touchdown run. On the Card's next possession, they fumbled the ball inside their own 20. Dufur recovered and scooted in for another score three plays later. The Rangers added insult to injury when they intercepted a Ramos pass and ran it back for a touchdown with 2:53 left in the half.

The Cardinals were down but they proved they weren't out. Taking about two minutes to do so, Ione drove from the Ranger 35 for another score. Micah Stillman got free for a 10 yard run when they badly needed a first down. With just over a minute remaining in the half, RJ Ramos hit Clay Morter for a 42



Homecoming King Clay Morter and Homecoming Queen Tionna Camirillo and the rest of the homecoming court were presented at half-time of the game against Dufur. -Photo by Theresa Crawford

yard touchdown pass and they connected again for the point after to make the score 48-14.

A nifty onside kick worked to perfection and the Cards recovered the ball on the Dufur 40. With time slipping away in the half, RJ Ramos connected with Matt Hams for a 40 yard touchdown pass and the score was 48-20.

Halftime was full of distractions as the 2008 Homecoming court was presented. However Dufur had no such issues and roared out after halftime to score twice more in the third quarter. The Cardinals did put together their best drive of the game at that time though. Taking six and half minutes off the clock, the Cardinals started the drive on their own 26 and steadily moved downfield with a ground and air attack. Cory Peterson snuck into from six yards out for the score.

Ione put together one more nice drive to finish out the game. With Zac Orem at the helm, the Cards started at their own 35 and drove downfield before Orem connected with Matt Hams for a four yard touchdown pass. He then hit Alex Fet-

terhoff for the extra point. "Defensively we have to play better," said Coach Dennis Stefani. "It comes down to making tackles and we just didn't make the stops." He noted that many times, the Cards were in position but missed the tackles.

The Cards tallied 327 yards of total offense. Cory Peterson led the attack on the ground with 113 yards on 23 carries. Micah Stillman added 20 yards on three carries. Ione had 156 yards in the air. RJ Ramos was seven of 18 for 133 yards with four interceptions and two touchdowns. Zac Orem was four of five for 25 yards and one touchdown.

The leading receiver for the game was Clay Morter, catching six for 93 yards. Matt Hams had two receptions for 45. Dufur had

375 yards on the ground and 171 in the air for 546 yards of total offense.

"Offensively, I felt we moved the ball pretty well," said Coach Stefani. "The long drive (in the third quarter) made me happy. It showed what we can do.

Clay Morter led the team with 10 tackles. Cory Peterson had seven and Tanner Rietmann, Eric Jepsen and Micah Stillman all had six.

The Cardinals travel to Echo Friday night for a crucial match up. "We've got to give ourselves some chances. We need some three and outs," said Coach Stefani. "If we play some defense and make some tackles, we have a chance." Game time is 7 p.m. at Echo.

Junior High Football Schedule

Oct. 24 - Mount Vernon at home, 3 p.m.

Junior High Volleyball Schedule

Oct. 24 - Mount Vernon at home, 3 p.m.

2008 Mustang Football Schedule

Oct. 24 - Weston McEwen at home, 7 p.m.

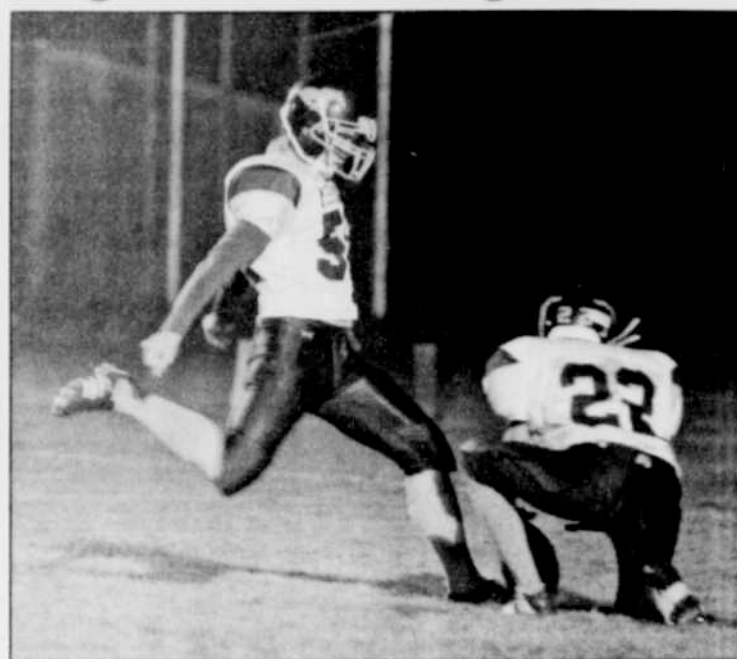
Oct. 31 - Enterprise at Enterprise, 7 p.m.

Ione Football Schedule

Oct. 24 - at Echo, 7 p.m.

Oct. 31 - at Nixyaawii, 2 p.m.

Irrigon falls to Mustangs 59-0



Heppner Mustang Willy Edsmyr (#58) completed six extra points and made a field goal at the Mustang versus Irrigon Knights game in Irrigon on Friday. The Mustangs beat the Knights 59-0. -Photo by Sandy Matthews

CSEPP Siren Test scheduled for October 28

A test of the Oregon Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) siren system is scheduled for noon on Tuesday, October 28. The test coincides with tests of CSEPP sirens on the Umatilla Chemical Depot and in Benton County, WA.

The 76 sirens will begin the test with a verbal message in English and Spanish reminding people that it is only a test. The message will be followed by sounding of the Westminster chimes. In a chemical emergency, the sirens would blare a distinctly different alert tone for three minutes, followed by instructions in English and Spanish.

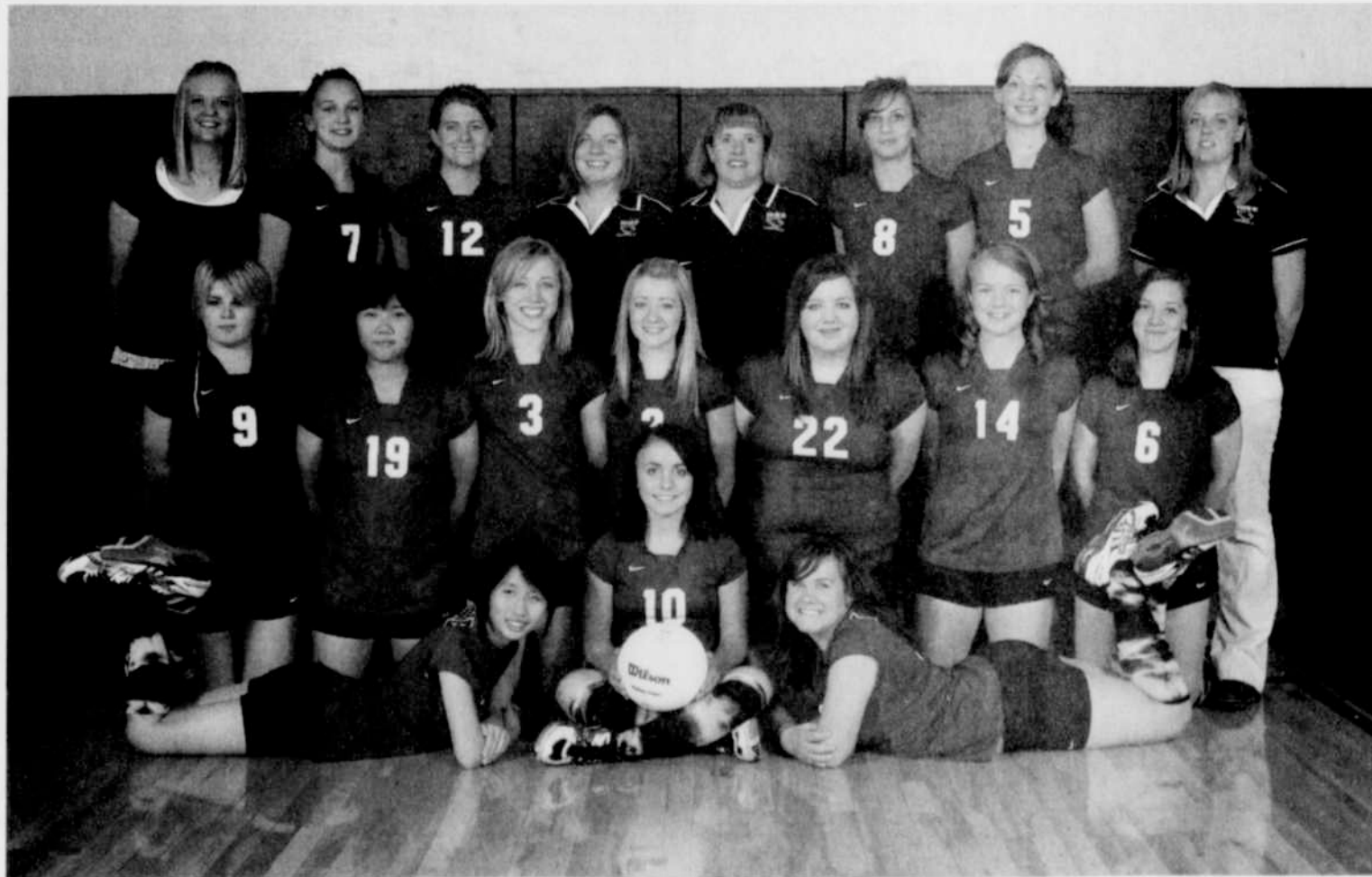
Highway message reader boards along I-82 and I-84 will also be tested on October 28. Motorists will see a reminder of the noon siren test displayed.

The sirens and high-

way reader boards are two of five public warning systems that would be activated by emergency management officials in the event of a chemical emergency at the Umatilla County Depot. The sirens, highway message reader boards and highway advisory radio would alert people who are outdoors. Tone Alert Radios and the Emergency Alert System would alert people indoors. For more information on public warning systems surrounding the Umatilla Chemical Depot, visit www.csepp.net and click on "Warning Systems."

For information on how to prepare for emergencies, contact Umatilla County Emergency Management toll free at (877) 367-2737, Morrow County Emergency Management at (541) 922-5262 or visit www.csepp.net.

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Ione Girls' Volleyball Team (L-R): back row - Hailey Arbogast, Stefanie Archer, Tiana Camarillo, Coach Dawn Eynetich, Asst. Coach Lynn Dee Ramos, Brianna Peterson, Becca Jepsen, manager Jordan Peterson; middle row - Manon Bondier, Gip Garrett, Beth Morter, Tyree Svetich, Mary Gates, Mary Rietmann, Sarah Stillman; front row - Toffey Viwattavongwong, Makenna Ramos, Tori Heagy.

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