

Lady Cards pick up two wins over Christmas break

The Lady Cardinals picked up two wins to one loss in the first week of their non-conference, Christmas break basketball schedule. The Cards hung tough in a close loss to Pilot Rock but collected wins against Culver and Irrigon.

Playing in Pilot Rock on Tuesday, December 21, the Lady Cards seemed determined to not let the favored Rockets get away. The teams swapped buckets in the early going but Pilot Rock built a six point lead, 14-8, midway through the first quarter. Stacey Halvorsen nailed a three-pointer to close the lead to three, 11-14 at the end of one. She then drove the lane for the first score of the second quarter to pull the Cardinals back within one. Six lone girls were in the scorebook by halftime and the Rockets led by a small margin, 26-24. It was the third quarter where Pilot Rock separated itself from the Cardinals, using their significant height advantage to outscore lone 13-6. The Rockets started the fourth with a nine-point advantage and ended the game with the same margin, taking the win 47-38.

JoAnna Patton continued her strong play in the paint, scoring a team-high 16 points. She was the only Cardinal in double figures with the remainder of the scoring spread out through

the team. Collette Cason had six, Stacey Halvorsen had five, Beth Morter, four, Shadow Kendrick, three and Mary Rietmann and Lacey Thompson scored two each.

JoAnna Patton and Beth Morter each had 14 rebounds. Patton added three steals while Morter had two assists and two blocks. Mary Rietmann had seven rebounds and two assists while Collette Cason and Lacey Thompson each came up with three steals.

"The reason we play these tough pre-season games is to make ourselves better," said Coach Mike Garrett. "To come out and be that competitive is good." Garrett noted that Pilot Rock is favored to win with the Blue Mountain Conference and has only one loss so far this season. "We worked hard and played great defense. We held them to 15-20 points below their season average."

On Thursday, December 23, the Cardinals hosted Culver, coming away with a 48-28 win. Lone never trailed, jumping out to a 14-8 first quarter lead and building that to a 27-10 halftime margin. It was in that second quarter that sophomore, Stacey Halvorsen, established herself as a shooter, scoring 11 of her 13 points from all over the floor. The Cards carried

their halftime momentum on for the 20-point win.

JoAnna Patton led all scorers with 14 points. Stacey Halvorsen added 13. Beth Morter and Mary Rietmann each had six, while Shadow Kendrick chipped in four, Lacey Thompson had three and Collette Cason had two.

JoAnna Patton notched another double-double, leading the team with 10 rebounds. She also had six steals and a block. Beth Morter had nine rebounds, seven assists, two steals and a block. Shadow Kendrick had seven boards, four assists and three steals.

Coach Mike Garrett was pleased with the win. "It was a good team effort. Our defense played another great game and held a good 2A school under 30 points." He noted that the team handled Culver's pressure well. "They went to a man-to-man in the second half and that took us a while to adjust, but we did."

The Lady Cardinals returned from their Christmas layoff but looked anything but rusty on Monday, December 27, in Irrigon. The Cards set the tone of the game immediately, hustling out to a 12-1 first quarter lead and keeping it up for a 25-7 halftime advantage. Lone kept up consistent scoring to take the 47-25 win.

Three Cardinals were in double figures led by JoAnna Patton with 13 points. Beth Morter and Mary Rietmann each added 11. Collette Cason had six, Stacey Halvorsen had four and Lacey Thompson had two.

JoAnna Patton and Beth Morter both had double-doubles with double digit rebounds to accompany their points. Morter led the effort with 11 and Patton added 10. Morter also had eight steals. Lacey Thompson paced the team with three steals. The Lady Cardinals had a decent shooting night, making 18 of 50 for 36 percent.

"This was a game that I was concerned about. Irrigon has been improving week to week and we were coming into this game shorthanded," said Coach Mike Garrett. "Defensively we set the tone early and had a great first quarter. The kids controlled the rebounding through the rest of the first half and that allowed us to go into halftime with a comfortable lead. Second half was played with very little emotion from either team and we were able to play some different rotations and work on some of our set plays."

The Lady Cardinals will finish their vacation schedule hosting Pilot Rock on Wednesday and traveling to Riverside on Thursday.

Lady Mustangs win first league game against Bobcats

The Heppner Mustangs hosted their first league game against the Union Bobcats on Saturday, December 17.

The lady Mustangs won the game, 47-43 with strong play from their seniors.

Heppner was ahead 23-19 at the end of the first half and maintained that lead by six points at the end

of the third quarter, making it, 33-27.

High scorers for the game were L. Cutsforth with 16 points, T. Doherty with 14 points and A. Wilson with 19 points.

Heppner shot 11/19 free throws and had an effective press that contributed to their first league win.

Mustang girls lose, boys win contests with Elgin

The Heppner Mustangs traveled to LaGrande to play the Elgin Huskies in their first league game of the year on Friday, Dec.

17. The varsity squads split with the boys winning and the girls' squad losing the contest. The lady Mustangs struggled to score against a stingy Huskies' defense.

Heppner boys lose to Imbler, 64-52

In the boys' varsity game against the Imbler Panthers, Heppner lost to Imbler, 64-52.

The Panthers started out strong with 13 unanswered points in the first quarter. Heppner fought back and, at the end of the second quarter, Cody Off hit a three-pointer to make the score 38-28 at the half.

In the fourth quarter, Heppner cut the lead to eight points, but Imbler

ran the clock, winning the game, 64-52.

High scorers for Heppner were Cody Orr with 30 points, Justin Pranger, nine points, and Cameron Day with seven points.

The boys' overall record is now 4-3 for the season.

The Heppner boys and girls hosted the Heppner Christmas tournament December 28-29 at Heppner High School.

Lady Mustangs outscored by Imbler Panthers

The Lady Mustangs traveled to Imbler on Tuesday, Dec. 21, to play the Panthers, the current 1A state champs. The Panthers strong returning tem outscored the Mustangs, 43-22.

At the end of the first quarter, the Panthers were up 10-7 with four team fouls for both teams. Heppner stayed strong through the first half, trailing by only six points at halftime.

Imbler's strong offense and exceptional free throw percentage proved to be too much for the Lady Mustangs, making the Mustangs' record 2-5 overall. Overall, the Mustangs played a good game against this dominating team.

Heppner stats: 7 for 25 from the floor; 8 for 15 free throws, 42 total rebounds, 21 turnovers.

ODFW invites anglers to open house in Salem Jan. 4

Oregon anglers will have a chance to share their ideas, comments and concerns about the state's fisheries with top ODFW managers at an open house on Jan. 4 in Salem.

The meeting will go from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the ODFW Headquarters, 3406 Cherry Ave. NE, Salem. The agenda will be set, in large part, by the questions and concerns raised during the meeting.

"This open house meeting is a good way to start the new year," said Rhine Messmer, ODFW Recreational Fisheries Program manager. "It's a chance for us to hear what issues are on the minds of anglers so we can take appropriate action."

The meeting is being held in conjunction with a meeting of the Inland Sports Fishing Advisory Committee, which provides public perspectives and input on implementation of ODFW's 25-Year Angling Enhancement Plan. The plan is available on the ODFW website at http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/fishing/docs/25_Year_Recreational_Angling_Enhancement%20Plan.pdf.

Twice a year the fishing advisory committee meetings are open to the public as a forum for

interested anglers to bring their fishery management issues, thoughts and ideas to ODFW fishery managers and administrators.

In addition to the open-forum, ODFW staff will provide an update on changes to the public process for developing new angling regulations. The department is looking for ways to improve the public process and still retain its value to the public and the department.

"We've heard from the public and from the Fish and Wildlife Commission that the current process is too cumbersome and too much time is spent on proposed regulations that would never be adopted," Messmer said.

"We are interested in hearing what anglers think of some of the key changes we're proposing to the process," he added. "The public plays an important role in the development of our fishing regulations and we want to ensure that we don't diminish the public benefits from this process."

Revisions of the public process are underway, and will be adopted by the Fish and Wildlife Commission next August. The revised process will be used for the development of the 2013 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations.

2010-11 Cardinal Basketball Schedule

Dec. 29 - Pilot Rock at home, 1 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Dec. 30 - at Riverside, 3 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Jan. 7 - at Nixyaawii, 3 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Jan. 8 - Arlington at home, 2:30 p.m. (BJV, GV, BV)
 Jan. 11 - Irrigon at home, 3 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Jan. 14 - at Condon, 3 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Jan. 15 - Sherman at home, 1 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Jan. 21 - Echo at home, 3 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Jan. 28 - Nixyaawii at home, 3 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Jan. 29 - at South Wasco, 1 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Feb. 1 - Condon/Wheeler at home, 3 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Feb. 4 - at Echo, 3 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Feb. 5 - at Central Christian, 1 p.m. (GV, BV)
 Feb. 11 - at Helix, 3 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Feb. 12 - Dufur at home, 1 p.m. (GJV, BJV, GV, BV)
 Feb. 17-19 - District Tournament in Umatilla

HHS Boys' Basketball Schedule

Dec. 29 - Christmas tournament, 1 p.m.
 Jan. 4 - Tri Cities Prep at home, 7:30 p.m.
 Jan. 7 - at Stanfield, 7:30 p.m.
 Jan. 8 - Irrigon at home, 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 14 - Pilot Rock at home, 7 p.m.
 Jan. 15 - at Weston-McEwen, 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 21 - Enterprise at home, 7:30 p.m.
 Jan. 22 - Elgin at home, 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 28 - at Pilot Rock, 7:30 p.m.
 Jan. 29 - Weston-McEwen at home, 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 4 - at Enterprise, 7:30 p.m.
 Feb. 5 - at Union, 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 11 - at Irrigon, 7:30 p.m.
 Feb. 12 - Stanfield at home, 5:30 p.m.

HHS Girls' Basketball Schedule

Dec. 29 - Christmas tournament, 1 p.m.
 Jan. 4 - Tri Cities Prep at home, 3 p.m.
 Jan. 7 - at Stanfield, 3 p.m.
 Jan. 8 - Irrigon at home, 1 p.m.
 Jan. 14 - Pilot Rock at home, 3 p.m.
 Jan. 15 - at Weston-McEwen, 4 p.m.
 Jan. 21 - Enterprise at home, 6 p.m.
 Jan. 22 - Elgin at home, 4 p.m.
 Jan. 28 - at Pilot Rock, 6 p.m.
 Jan. 29 - Weston-McEwen at home, 4 p.m.
 Feb. 4 - at Enterprise, 6 p.m.
 Feb. 5 - at Union, 4 p.m.
 Feb. 11 - at Irrigon, 6 p.m.
 Feb. 12 - Stanfield at home, 4 p.m.

Heppner Jr. High Boys' Basketball Schedule

Jan. 7 - Ione at Heppner, TBA
 Jan. 8 - at Dufur (A team only), 9 a.m.

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