

# Ione JV girls lose three, take win over Helix Ione JV boys lose to Dufur 34-27

By Paula Emmel

Ione JV girls faced off against Condon/Wheeler for a half game, losing 18-20, on February 4.

Scorers for the game were Siren Endresen with seven, Jasmine Verduzco with five, and Yesenia Verduzco, Jaqueline Juarez, and Luisa Prior with two points each.

On February 5 the girls traveled to Echo. The Lady Cardinals played a tough game, keeping up with the Cougars and losing by only two points. Each period was only a one or two point difference, with the Lady Cardinals ahead in the first and third quarters. The final score was 25-27.

Ione scorers were Emily Holland with nine, Yesenia Verduzco and Siren Endresen with six each, Kylie McElligott scored two points, and Jasmine Verduzco and Jaqueline Juarez with one point each. Both Verduzco girls and Juarez fouled out in the closing minutes.

Meeting a goal of attaining over 25 points in a game, this past weekend, the JV Lady Cardinals traveled to Helix and defeated the Grizzlies, 43-40 on February 11. Coach Dale Holland was very proud of each of them because, "All the girls scored tonight.



Senior Kylie McElligott guards Dufur's inbound play 2-12-11-Photo by Paula Emmel

Each of them, except senior Mary Gates, scored in the JV game and she scored the last two points of the varsity game. They played well and the baskets fell. They've come a long way."

Scorers were Emily Holland with 11, Yesenia Verduzco with seven, Jasmine Verduzco and Mary McElligott with six each, Kylie McElligott with five,

Jaqueline Juarez and Siren Endresen had four each, and Luisa Prior with two points. Mary Gates scored two points in the varsity game.

Playing against Dufur on February 12, the JV Lady Cardinals got off to a really slow start, but by the third quarter they were coming to life. They endured a loss 15-44.

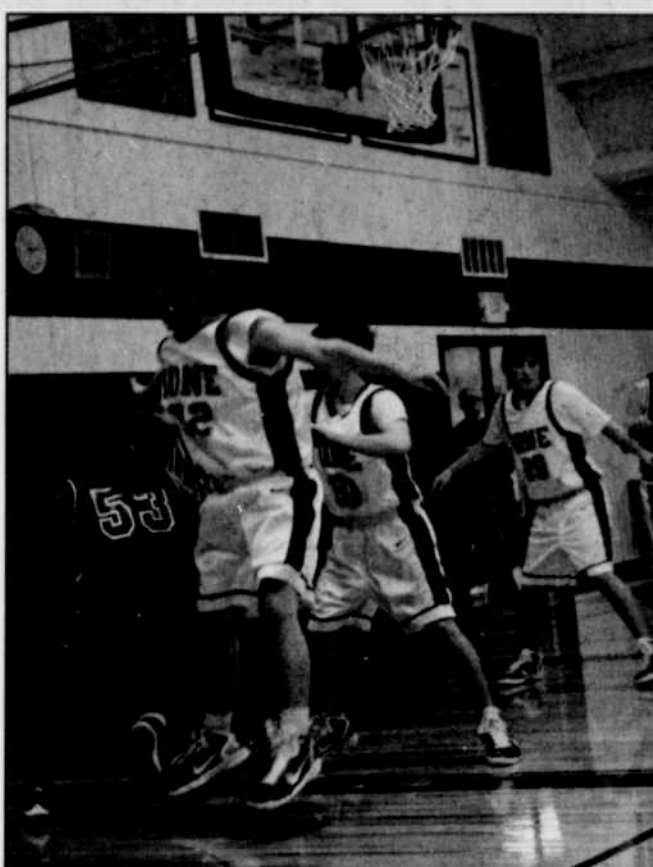
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The Ione JV boys started off last week by playing a pick-up game on February 7, losing to Condon/Wheeler by seven points, 34-27. "This was just to get some extra playing time to prepare the boys for upcoming games," said Coach Swanson. "It was good to have a team to practice with. However, not all our players were able to go."

Rounding out the week was a league game with Dufur on February 12. Ione led the game throughout all the quarters, ending with a win, 66-48.

The team shot 44 percent from the field, 28-62, but only 30 percent from the line, 6-20. The team out-rebounded the Rangers 34-29. Ione gave 13 assists to Dufur's nine and Ione stole the ball from the Rangers 16 times to their eight. "It was fun to watch them play, I wish we had some more games," Coach Swanson said. "We beat Dufur in every aspect of the games (except for the free-throws). That is what you want to see. Kaleb Dumler had another great scoring game and Kirk, for only playing two quarters, had a great game."

Ione scorers were led by Dumler with 24 points. Kirk Haguewood made 13, Gus Peterson



Trent Cannon # 32, Gus Peterson #30, and Jason Thompson #20 guard the baseline against Dufur Ranger Cody Begay. -Photo by Paula Emmel

made 10, Luke Emmel and Joel Stillman each had six points, Bailey Haguewood shot for four more, Zane King was good for two points and Skyler made a free-throw for one point.

Ione assists leader was Luke Emmel with four. Three assists, each, were given by Stillman and Dumler. Steals were evenly split with four each between Emmel, Dumler, K.

Haguewood, and Stillman. Ione's lead rebounder was K. Haguewood with eight and Jason Thompson had a good night off the glass with seven rebounds.

Coach Jim Swanson summed it up. Overall, "we finished the season 6-10 after starting out 0-8. The last half was 6-2, which were league games... A good way to finish" the season.

## Ione American Legion & Auxiliary to host annual Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament

The Ione American Legion and Auxiliary Post #95 will hold their annual Texas Hold 'Em Poker, Bingo and Bake Sale Fundraiser extravaganza on Saturday, March 12, at the Ione Legion Hall.

Buy-in for the poker tournament is \$40. Registration will begin at 6 p.m. with poker play to begin at 6:30 p.m. No late buy-ins

will be allowed. The last four players will each win money.

Bingo will start at 5:30 pm. Bingo cards are \$.25 each.

There will be many locally baked goods for sale. A sandwich and salad bar with a variety of sandwich fixings and salads will be available for a donation of your discretion. There

will be a no-host bar provided by Taylor's/Back 2 Beechers.

Two raffle items are up for draw this year. The Legionnaires are selling raffle tickets for a Super Comanche single shot handgun, donated by John Jepsen. It shoots either .45 caliber or .410 gauge shells and is new but has been test fired. As for the Auxiliary, they are selling raffle tickets for a half of a beef, cut and wrapped. There will be two drawings, two winners for beef. All tickets are selling for \$1 each or six tickets for \$5. Raffle tickets can be purchased from Ione Legion and Auxiliary members. They will also be available for purchase at the door.

## Seniors honored during last regular season game



Senior basketball players and pep band members were honored on Saturday night during the final home basketball games of regular season play. -Photos by Sandy Matthews

## Mustang boys and girls beat Knights on the road

On February 11, the Mustangs traveled to Irrigon to play the Knights on Friday night basketball. The Lady Mustangs played well, leading most the entire

game, although the Knights weren't going to lose to Heppner easily.

The Mustangs took the lead at the end of the first quarter 12-6. In the middle of the second quarter the Knights had come back to tie the score at 14. Heppner responded with a 17-8 run before the half, to pull ahead 31-22. Lindsay Cutsforth was having a good night getting open and making shots.

Once again in the second half the Knights fought back into the game with Heppner only leading by one point with 3:21 left in the third quarter. Heppner finally took control in the fourth quarter to cruise to a 58-43 win. Lindsay Cutsforth led all scores with 21, with good play from the entire team.

In the boys' game the Mustangs led the Knights from the tip to take the win in what could have been a tough game at Irrigon.

Ian Murray shot lights out in the first half, making baseline jumpers against the Knights' zone defense. The Mustangs, needing a win, showed up to play, holding Irrigon to 31 while scoring 58 to take the game.

## Ione School recognizes seniors



Ione High School honored its senior basketball players and cheerleaders during the games on February 12. (L-R) Top Photo: Pictured are girls basketball team seniors Kylie McElligott, Yesenia Verduzco, Beth Morter, and Mary Gates with their parents. Middle Photo: Pictured are Ione cheerleaders Yesenia Verduzco (far left) and Kylie McElligott (3rd from right) with their gifts from the cheer squad. Bottom Photo: Pictured are boys basketball team seniors Alex Rietmann, Marco Juarez, and Tanner Rietmann with their parents. -Photos by Paula Emmel

## Meet Ione High School's foreign exchange students



Pictured (L-R) are Junior Siren Endresen from Norway (host parents are Bink and Lynn Dee Ramos) and Junior Luisa Prior from Germany (host parents are Mark and Taranna Patton). -Photo by Paula Emmel

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