

Ione falls to strong Dufur Rangers take it 48-14

The Ione football team traveled to play a quick Dufur team Friday, October 7.

The Cardinal team played well but missed opportunities to score. At the end of the first half, Ione was near the goal line when the buzzer sounded, ending a good offensive attack.

Throughout the game, Ione's punt return team put the Cardinals in good positions, although the offense seemed to have a tough time getting the ball into the end zone. The Cardinal kickoff team, led by Omar Juarez, also did well to put the Rangers deep in the backfield, giving the Cards extra time to defend their territory.

Near the end of the game, Ione's Luke Emmel made a nice fumble recovery with a long run down the field. Micah Stillman was the leader with the most points, most tackles and most yardages gained, both rushing and receiving. The rest of the team played well both offensively and defensively.

"As bad as the final score was, we actually had the opportunity to make this a competitive game. We missed chances to score ourselves and gave up too many critical big plays. We played hard throughout the game and played much better in the second half," said coach Stan Wieper.

"Dufur is a strong team and you have to give them credit. It is unfortu-



Senior Adam Collin blocks Tibbets of Dufur during the October 7 game. -Photo by Paula Emmel

nate that we were scheduled to play the top two teams in our league at the beginning of the league season. I feel we would have given both Sherman and Dufur a much more competitive game if we would have played them later in the schedule."

Scoring

M. Stillman: 2 T.D., 12 Pts.

Juarez: Pat 2 pts.

Rushing

M. Stillman: 20x187

yards, 2 T.D.

Rietmann: 8x38 yards

Passing

Orem: 5x13 50 yards

Receiving

M. Stillman: 3x30 yards

Rietmann: 1x15 yards

Juarez: 1x5 yards

Defense

M. Stillman: 15 tackles

K Haguwood: 11 tackles

Collin: 10 tackles

Juarez: 7 tackles

Dumler: 7 tackles

Lady Cardinals maintain perfect season

By Ann Morter

The Ione Lady Cardinals maintained their unblemished season and leapfrogged in the RPI rankings with big wins across the board this past week. The team now sports a 20-0 record and sits fourth in the OSAA RPI rankings.

The Cardinal's first test of the week came on Tuesday, October 4, when east-side league rival Condon/Wheeler came to town. The first game saw the score tied 13 times, and the Lady Knights actually had the lead briefly at 23-22. The Cards powered back and, when JoAnna Patton put down her eighth kill of the game, Ione took the squeaker 25-23. Losing the first game took the wind out of Condon/Wheeler's sails as Ione rolled to a 25-10 second game victory. The Lady Cards were on their way to another powerful victory in game three, leading 19-10, when the Knights climbed back into the game. Capitalizing on Cardinal miscues, Condon/Wheeler tied the game at 23 and had game point on the Cards at 25-24. JoAnna Patton's powerful middle hitting with three kills in a row and Stacey Halvorsen's two key serves to finish the game preserved the win 27-25.

"It was a good win for us...a good confidence builder," said Coach Dawn Eynetich. "They are the team we need to beat on our side of the league."

JoAnna Patton led the effort at the net with 19 kills. Dominika Senkerikova added 12. Mary Rietman was perfect on 14 serves with one ace, while Makenna Ramos was also 100% on 12 serves. Stacey Halvorsen was 19-21 from the service line with three aces.

On Friday, October 7, the Lady Cardinals arrived in Dufur ready to take on the team sitting atop the OSAA RPI rankings.



Senior JoAnna Patton spikes the ball as senior Mary Rietmann is ready for the return. -Photo by Paula Emmel

"I was more nervous about that game than any other" said Eynetich, noting that Dufur Coach Kelly Darden has a knack for "making a team out of anything."

The Cards took game one 25-22 but suffered their first single game loss since the Joseph Tournament in game two, 19-25.

"They (Dufur) always hit that third ball and we weren't quite expecting that" said Eynetich.

The Ione team regrouped to take game three 25-16 and sealed the match win with a 25-12 win in game four.

JoAnna Patton continued to be a force at the net with 24 kills and four blocks. Dominika Senkerikova added ten kills and two blocks. Mary Rietmann served 22 of 23 with one ace and Makenna Ramos notched 42 assists. On a day where serve errors plagued the team, Shadow Kendrick was the only Cardinal to serve 100% on ten serves. She had two aces.

"After a big game on Tuesday, it was great to see the team play well in another big game on Friday," said Eynetich.

A weary group hit the road early Saturday for an 8 a.m. wake up call at the Weston Power Tournament. At the other end of that long day, the Cardinals collected the first place hardware for the tournament...but not

without giving their coach a little heartburn along the way.

"They were calling us the comeback kids" said Eynetich, noting that the team came from behind in every win that day.

In pool play, the Lady Cardinals defeated Imbler in a couple of close games 26-24, 25-22. Next they split with Heppner 26-27, 25-14 and then defeated Union 25-18, 25-17. This made Ione the number one team from their pool.

After a four-and-half-hour period of downtime, the Cards took on Grant Union in bracket play. Grant Union won game one 25-23 but the Lady Cardinals revived to finish them off, 25-12, 15-10. This set up a rematch with Heppner for the championship. After splitting with the Lady Mustangs in morning pool play, the Cards gutted out a 25-23 first game win and sealed the deal with a 25-15 second game victory for the championship.

"All in all, it was a good week for us" said Coach Eynetich. "We had good competition and found some things we need to work on. It was good to get matches in against stronger teams."

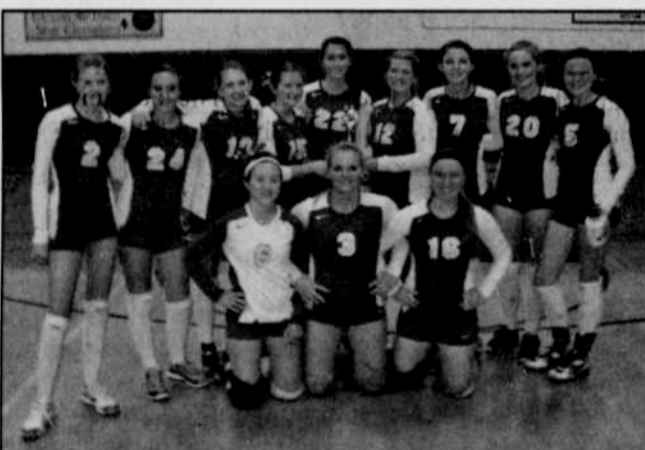
This week, Ione hosts Arlington on Thursday evening and travels to Fossil for another round with Condon/Wheeler on Saturday.

Heppner takes 2nd in tournament

In Athena at the Weston McEwen Power Tournament, the Mustangs beat Union and Imbler, and split with Ione to advance into bracket play. The Mustangs were feeling good about their morning play in a long day of volleyball action.

In the afternoon, the Mustangs faced off first with the Elgin Huskies. They posted a win in the best of three against a tough Husky team, winning 25-20, losing 28-26 and winning 15-11.

The Mustangs then advanced to play the team at the top of the Blue Mountain Conference standings, the Weston Tiger-Scotts. The Mustangs started the game against these tough



The Mustang volleyball team took home the second-place trophy at the Weston McEwen power tournament last Saturday. -Contributed photo

opponents by losing the first set 24-14. They then picked up play in the second set to take it 26-24. Heppner prevailed in the final set, beating Weston 15-11 and setting up their chance to

play the Ione Lady Cardinals in championship bracket play.

In a contest that was close from the start, the Cards won the first set 25-23. The Mustangs lost momentum in the second set and lost 25-13, taking second place in the tournament.

The Mustangs continue to improve and. With two weeks left in league volleyball action, are ready to make a strong run into the district tournament.

Heppner trounces Tigers in league play

The Mustang volleyball team traveled to Stanfield to play the Tigers on Thursday, October 6.

The team bumped set and spiked their way to another win in three games: 25-21, 25-19 and 25-16. The Mustangs played an excellent game from the serve line, and team play continues to improve as the Mustangs prepare for Saturday play at Athena.

High school rodeo results

Condon rodeo #1

Breakaway-10.

Blake Greenup, 13.472

Steer Wrestling-

Garrett Robinson, 5.162

Goat Tying-Blake

Greenup, 8.386

Breakaway-Blake

Greenup, 4.66

Condon rodeo #2

Barrel Racing-5.

Blake Greenup, 18.4177

Poles-Blake Gree-

nup, 21.7212

Poles-Blake Gree-

nup, 20.6993

Goat Tying-Blake

Greenup, 8.38. First in the

average was Greenup.

LaGrande rodeo #1

Tie Down Roping-9.

Garrett Robinson, 21.56

Cow Cutting-3.

Garrett Robinson, 70

Barrels-3. Blake

Greenup, 18.374

LaGrande rodeo #2

Poles-7. Blake

Greenup, 21.839

Calf Roping-7. Gar-

rett Robinson, 29.01

Poles-1st. Blake

Greenup, 20.808. Greenup

was first in the average and

Reserve All Around Cowgirl

at LaGrande.

Steer Wrestling-6.

Garrett Robinson, 26.02

Cow Cutting-7.

Garrett Robinson, 61

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