

## Mustangs dominate Jags in season opener



Mustang Brian Rill (#28) outruns the Jaguars in one of many successful plays against the Tri-City team last week. -Photo by Sandra Putman

The Heppner High School Mustang football team opened their season with a dominating win over the Tri-City Prep Jaguars by a score of 47-7. The game was played on the artificial turf field at Hermiston High School.

The Mustangs' Logan Grieb kicked off to start the season. The Jaguars fumbled the ball and Brian Rill recovered it at the 46 yard line. On the very first offensive play of the season for the Mustangs, quarterback Kaden Clark fired a pass to Grieb for a 21-yard gain.

Rill scored the first touchdown of the season just three plays later when he ran it in from the 4 yard line. The PAT was good and the Mustangs led 6-0 only 33 seconds into the game.

The Heppner defense got the ball back for the offense when Jesse Corbin intercepted a pass on the next Jaguar possession. The Mustangs scored again when CJ Kindle took a handoff and ran 62 yards for a touchdown. Kindle then scored the 2-point conversion when he caught a pass from Clark. That made the score 14-0.

After a Jaguar three and out the Mustangs went on a 10-play drive that ended when Rill scored on a run from three yards out. The PAT kick was good by Corbin and the Mustangs lead 21-0.

The Heppner defense held again and seven plays later the Mustangs scored

when Rill ran it in from 14 yards out. The PAT run failed and the score was 27-0.

On the next two Tri-Cities possessions, Kindle and Grieb both got interceptions, but the Heppner offense failed to move the ball and they punted both times. That ended the first half of play with the Mustangs leading 27-0.

The Mustangs started the second half with a big play when Clark completed a pass to Weston Putman for a 29-yard gain. Rill then followed the big, strong, athletic offensive line for runs of 11 and nine yards. Grieb then ran free and caught a 21-yard touchdown pass from Clark. The Corbin PAT kick was good and that made the score 34-0.

The Jaguars fumbled the kickoff and Kindle fell on the ball at the 31-yard line to give the Mustangs great field position. On the very next play Tommy Bredfield took the handoff and scampered 31 yards for a touchdown. The kick was again good and the score was 41-0.

A Rill interception on the next Jaguar play gave the ball right back to Heppner. That led to a nine-play drive by the Mustangs, which was highlighted by an 18-yard pass play to Grieb and a 17-yard run by Kindle. The drive ended when Bredfield scored on a 20-yard run. The PAT was no good and the score was 47-0.

The Heppner coaches

made sure that everyone got to play in the game and began to rotate in new players. Tri-Cities Prep scored on their next possession on a 23-yard run. Their PAT was good to make the score 47-7. The teams traded several possessions for the rest of the game but neither team could find the end zone again. Tri-Cities Prep did threaten again but Jake Lindsay intercepted a Jaguar pass in the end zone and ran it out to the 25 yard line to end the game.

The Mustangs tallied 22 first downs for the game and held the Jaguars to 8. Heppner had 283 rushing yards to only 65 for Tri-Cities Prep. The Mustangs had 426 total yards compared to only 112 for the Jaguars.

Kaden Clark was 12-16 passing for 142 yards on the night. Grieb led the team in receiving with 3 catches for 60 yards. Kindle caught 3 passes for 30 yards, Putnam 1 for 29, Rill 2 for 19, Corbin 2 for 11 yards and Ryan Smith caught 2 balls for 1 yard. The rushing leaders for the team were Kindle and Rill, both with 89 yards in the game. Bredfield ran the ball for 59 yards. Corbin carried it for 38. Joergan Anderson had a carry for 4 yards, Clark and Lindsay both finished the night with 3 yards rushing.

On the defensive side of the ball, Bredfield and Kevin Murray led the team with 4 tackles each. Jacob Moses contributed 3 tackles and Kindle recorded 2 in the game. Also having two tackles in the game were Kolby Currin, Tom Gould, John Prophet and Wyatt Steagall. Having one tackle each on the night were Rill, Putman, Tim Jaca, Ryan Smith, Ross Cutsforth, Clyde Britt, Tre Cimmiyotti, Ethan Akers and Len Hauermeier.

The Mustangs have their first home game of the season this Friday night when they host the Grant Union Prospectors. A two-quarter JV game will start at 4 p.m. and the varsity game will take place at 7 p.m.

## Heppner volleyball secures home tournament trophy

### Busy season start sees girls with 3-2 record

The Heppner Mustang Volleyball team hosted a six-team tournament this past weekend. The other teams were Wallowa, Condon/Wheeler, Weston-McEwen, Grant Union and the Hermiston Freshman.

In pool play the Mustangs beat Wallowa 25-16, Condon/Wheeler 25-17 and the Hermiston Freshman 25-19. They then lost to Grant Union 11-25 and Weston-McEwen 18-25.

In bracket play the Mustangs first played the Hermiston Freshman team. Heppner made quick work of that match as they won by scores of 25-15 and 25-7. Up next in the semifinal match was a rematch with Grant Union. The Mustangs served the ball very well and scored many service points in the first set. The team looked like they had found some new energy and were having fun playing the game. Heppner jumped out to a quick lead and never looked back as they won 25-10. In the second set it was much closer. This set featured many long rallies and lots of exciting play. Heppner held on to win the set 25-17 and take the match.

In the championship match, Heppner would face off against the Condon/Wheeler Knights, who took care of the Weston-McEwen TigerScots to play their way into the championship. The Mustangs put forth a lot of effort in this match and scored a lot of service points. There were long rallies and exciting play from both teams. The Mustangs did a good job on their serve receive, passing and setting, and many players had spikes that scored. Heppner played very well in this match and won by scores of 25-17, 25-19 and 25-17. Another long day of volleyball for the Mustangs that ended with them winning the championship of their own tournament.

The Heppner High School Mustang volleyball

team has had a busy schedule so far this season. The team started playing before the school year even started. They currently boast a 3-2 record for the season.

The Mustangs started the season off by attending a jamboree in Umatilla on Aug. 29. The format was that each team played one set against four different teams. Heppner beat Stanfield 25-11, Umatilla 25-21 and Riverside 25-19. They were beaten by Helix by a score of 19-25. The Mustangs had lots of unforced errors in the set and saw many things that they can work on and clean up in the future. It was a lot of volleyball for their first time out of their own gym, but it was a good chance to play against someone else besides their own teammates in practice.

Early the next morning the team travelled to John Day for a tournament. In pool play the Mustangs beat Powder Valley 25-21 and 25-15. They split with Dayville-Monument 27-25 and 17-25. The team then lost two to Grant Union by scores of 23-25 and 15-25. In bracket play the Mustangs played the team from Adrian. Too many errors and poor serving in the first set caused the Mustangs to lose 17-25. They turned it around and won the second set by a score of 25-14. The third and final set was close all the way but the Mustangs lost by a score of 13-15. It was a long day for the team and fans but the team got to play a lot of volleyball and test themselves against some good competition.

On Thursday, Sept. 4, the Mustangs travelled to Dufur for matches with the Rangers and the Sherman County Huskies. Heppner played Dufur first and came out fast and got the lead early. It was close all the way until the Mustangs got down 16-21. They battled back hard and took the lead at 22-21. Paige Grieb served out a final six points

of the set for the win 25-21. In the next set, Heppner again started fast and was ahead at one point 19-13. There were many long rallies and some great volleyball on both sides. The Rangers battled back and took the win 21-25. In the third set in was a very close matchup. There were several ties along the way including 17-17. The Mustangs then got ahead 21-17, but the Rangers went on a run and won the set 21-25. The Mustangs did not serve the ball well in the next set and lost 17-25. Dufur won the match 3-1, but there was some great volleyball played by the Mustangs.

In the matchup with Sherman County the Mustangs made quick work of the Huskies. Heppner won by scores of 25-15, 25-7 and 25-14. Maddie Lindsay had many big spikes in the match off of great sets from Kelly Wilson. Grieb again had a run on service points when the team scored eight straight in the first set. In the second set, Morgan Correa had 10 service points including the last six. Maddie Lindsay and Sophie Grant had some timely spikes to score points for the Mustangs. In the third set the Mustangs were once down 6-10. They then fought back and took the lead at 12-11 and never looked back. Wilson set up Onna DeLoach, Jessica Kempkin and Kaelyn Lindsay for some big spikes in this set. Sydney Maben played some solid points and Riane Dompierre had several key blocks. Rylee Wagoner served out the last three points for the Mustangs and Maddie Lindsay finished it off with a big spike to end the day. A total team effort for the Mustangs in the match.

The next action for the Mustang Volleyball team was Tuesday when they hosted the Sherman County Huskies. They next travel on Saturday, Sept. 13, to play in a big tournament at Condon High School.

## Enrollment figures hold promise for South Morrow schools

Enrollment figures for schools in Ione and Heppner hold promise for the future, say school district officials.

Morrow County School District Superintendent Dirk Dirksen says numbers are up in both Heppner schools. Enrollment at Heppner Elementary is 188 this year, while the high school has an enrollment of 167. Both numbers are higher than expected, Dirksen says, with a projected enrollment of only 175 at the elementary level.

Especially heartening for district staff is the fact that kindergarten enrollment, 29 students, is higher than it has been for several years.

Dirksen adds that the MCSD is up 100 students district-wide.

At Ione Community

School, high school enrollment is slightly lower, but middle school numbers are holding steady and elementary enrollment is up, staff members report. School-wide enrollment is 213, with 80 enrolled in high school, 31 in grades seven and eight, and 102 at the elementary level. The school

welcomes a kindergarten class of 17 students.

## Park board to hold quarterly meeting

The quarterly meeting for the Willow Creek Park Board will be held Tuesday, Sept. 23, at 5:15 p.m. at Heppner City Hall.

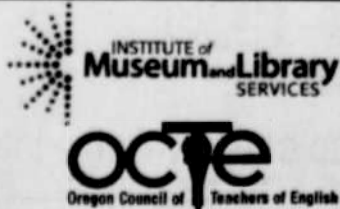
## The Oregon Encyclopedia and the Morrow County Museum present

The Oregon Encyclopedia Community Meeting in partnership with LSTA and the Oregon State Library

Wednesday, September 17, 2014  
7:00 PM  
Lexington City Hall

The Oregon Encyclopedia is coming to Morrow County this spring to hold a public community meeting on Oregon history and culture. Test your local history knowledge with a fun trivia quiz, learn about some of the important people, places, and events in Morrow County, and contribute your knowledge of local history to the encyclopedia project. The meeting will be held at the Lexington City Hall

This event is free and open to the public  
Light refreshments will be served



# FLU SHOTS

The Morrow County Health Department is offering the following clinics:

**September 22 11am - 1pm**

Irrigon Senior Center

**September 23 11am - 1pm**

Boardman Senior Center

**September 24 10am - 2pm**

Heppner Senior Center

**September 24 4pm - 7pm**

Ione Fire Hall

**October 6th 9am - 7pm**

Boardman Health Department

**October 8th 9am - 7pm**

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