

# Mustangs extend winning streak



Linemen Roy Collins (75) and Tyler Carter (68) hold off the Weston-McEwen Tigerscots. -Photo by Damon Brosnan.

The Heppner Mustangs football team extended their winning streak to five games by beating the Weston-McEwen Tigerscots 55-8. The Mustangs (5-2, 2-0) scored a touchdown on every possession they had, except their last one late in the fourth quarter, to get the win.

Heppner kicked off to start the game and quickly got the ball back. Once they did, it only took two plays to score the game's first touchdown. Quarterback Jayden Wilson took off with the ball and scrambled 39 yards through the Tigerscot defense to get the score. Wilson then threw a pass to Logan Burright for the two point conversion to give the Mustangs a quick 8-0 lead.

After the Heppner defense got another stop, the offense put together a six-play drive that ended with another touchdown when Mason Lehman ran the ball in from seven yards out. That gave the Mustangs a 14-0 lead as the first quarter ended.

The second quarter started with Wilson taking off with the ball and running it in for a touchdown from the 43 yard line. The score of the game was now 20-0.

Heppner got the ball back after a Tigerscot punt and quickly scored again. A four-play drive that was highlighted by a Wilson to Mason Lehman pass play of 23 yards, a Blake Wolters run of 15 yards and a Wilson run of 15 yards ended when Wolters powered the ball into the end zone from one yard out for the touchdown. That made the score 26-0 with six minutes left in the first half.

On the kickoff, the Tigerscot kick returner fumbled the ball and it was recovered by Nate Maret at the 21 yard line. Three plays later Wolters carried the ball in for the touchdown from 14 yards out.

Mason Lehman caught a pass from Wilson for the two point conversion to make the score 34-0.

The Mustang defense held again and got the ball right back for the offense. An eight-play drive ended with another touchdown when Wilson found Burright open behind the defense and hit him with a 23 yard scoring pass. Conor Brosnan kicked the extra point to give the Mustangs a 41-0 lead with two minutes to play in the half.

Mason Lehman then intercepted a Tigerscot pass with only 23 seconds left in the half. Three plays later, Wilson hit Mason with a short pass that he gathered in and then outraced the entire Tigerscot defense for a 76 yard touchdown catch and run. That made the half-time score 47-0. The second half would be played with a running clock because of the 45 pt. rule.

Weston McEwen would get their only score of the game on their first drive in the second half to make the score 47-8.

The Mustangs substituted freely at this point and the team went on a nine-play scoring drive that was highlighted by a 43 yard run by Brock Hisler. They scored when Kason Cimmyotti ran the ball in from three yards out for the touchdown. Bryan Collins then took the ball around right end for the two point conversion to make the score 55-8 early in the fourth quarter.

The teams traded possessions after that and the game ended with the Mustangs getting the win by the score of 55-8.

Heppner had 22 first downs in the game to only eight for Weston-McEwen. The Mustangs had 354 yards rushing and 158 passing for a total of 512. The Tigerscots rushed for 109 yards and had -1 yards passing the ball for a total of

108 yards in the game.

Jayden Wilson was 5-11 passing the ball for 133 yards and two touchdowns. Kason Cimmyotti was 1-2 for 25 yards in the game.

Mason Lehman caught three passes for 108 yards and a touchdown. Bryan Collins had one catch for 25 yards and Burright caught one ball for 23 yards and a score. Wolters had one catch for the night that gained two yards.

Wilson led the team in rushing with 132 yards on eight attempts and scored two touchdowns. Wolters was next with 113 yards on 10 carries and had two touchdowns. Hisler picked up 66 yards on five attempts and Mason Lehman rushed for 20 yards on four attempts and scored one touchdown. Bryan Collins carried the ball one time for a 25 yard gain and Cimmyotti ran the ball three times for 13 yards. Derrick Smith carried the ball one time and gained three yards for the team.

On the defensive side of the ball, Tyler Carter led the team in tackles with seven. Brosnan was next with six and Jason Rea had five. Wolters and Jackson Lehman were next with four tackles each and Burright and Jace Coe recorded three each. With two tackles each were Gavin Hanna-Robinson, Matt Orem, Hayden Hyatt, Cody Fletcher and Kegan Steagall. Having one tackle in the game were Wilson, Hisler, Keegan Gibbs, Roy Collins, Kellen Grant, Nate Maret, Mikel Jaca, Evan Kollman, Rien Maret, Edward Ellsworth, Brian Lindsay and Hunter Greenup. Mason Lehman had a tackle and an interception in the game.

The Mustangs will have another home game this week as they host the Grant Union Prospectors at Les Payne Field on Friday night.

# Clinic becomes youth friendly

The lone school-based health center at the Lone Community Clinic has started a Youth Advisory Council (YAC). The first project, headed by the new clinic coordinator Clair Arnold, was to make the clinic youth friendly. She worked closely with the kids on the project and is facilitating the YAC.

The council members, Gracie Jewett, MaLinda Morter, Zoey Gilbert, Elaina Ehrmantraut, Jake Heideman, Ivalee Hass, Clair Arnold and Yvonne Morter, are the ambassadors and the link between the school and the clinic.

Students pictured working on the project are: Ivalee Hass, Jake Heideman, Zoey Gilbert, and Elaina Ehrmantraut. -Contributed photo.



# Mustang volleyball gets two more wins

The Heppner Mustang volleyball team got two more wins in Blue Mountain Conference play last week. The Mustangs celebrated senior night at home with a big win over the Weston-McEwen Tigerscots 25-23, 21-25, 27-17, 22-25, 15-11. They then traveled to Pilot Rock and beat the Rockets 25-22, 25-20, 25-14.

A close first set saw the Tigerscots lead at 20-15 before the Mustangs battled back. They chipped away at the lead and finally tied the score at 23-23. The Mustangs scored the last two points to win the set 25-23. The second set was much like the first except it was the Tigerscots who battled to the end after the set was tied 15-15. The Mustangs had their chances but ended up losing the second set 21-25.

Heppner jumped out to a 8-0 lead in the third set only to see the Tigerscots tie the score at 11-11. From there the Mustangs pulled away to lead 20-15 and then get the victory 25-17. In the close fourth set the teams were tied at 19-19 before Weston-McEwen pulled ahead 23-19. They then served out the set to get the win 25-22 and set up a fifth and deciding set.

A back-and-forth fifth set was tied five times before the Mustangs pulled away. The teams were tied at 11-11 before the Mustangs took control and won the set 15-11. With that win, the Mustangs won the match 3-2.

The Pilot Rock gym is always a tough place to play but this time it didn't seem to bother the Mustangs. A tight first set saw four lead changes and twelve ties. The teams were tied at 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 17,

20, 21 and 22. From there the Mustangs finished off the Rockets and won the set 25-22.

Heppner won the first point of the second set and never looked back. They led the entire set by as few as one point or as many as five. They took complete control of the set in the middle of it and stretched their lead out and won by the score of 25-20.

The Rockets got the first point of the third set but would never lead again. There were two ties early but then Heppner took control. They soon took a

three point lead and then stretched it to four, five and six points. The momentum continued to build for the Mustangs as the lead grew until the final point was made and the Mustangs got the winning score of 25-14. The Mustangs swept the Rockets in the match 3-0.

Tuesday, Oct. 16 the Mustangs (14-11, 7-4) travel to Stanfield to take on the Tigers in their last conference match of the season. On Saturday, Oct. 20 they will play in the BMC District Tournament which will be held at Stanfield High School.



Above: Nicole Propher (16) jumps to slam the ball over the net. Below: Genevieve Smith (14) gets under the ball for the save while Jenna McCullough (8) and Madison Combe (28) prepare to assist. -Photos by Kirsti Cason.



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**Lil Wranglers: 1st place Healy Hisler 2nd place Quaid Jensen 3rd Place Rowdie Broeckel 4th place Amelya Pinkham.**

**Jr girls: 1st place Hallee Hisler 2nd place Saige Jensen 3rd place Zandra Masterson**

