

# Mustangs now 5-0 in conference play

The Heppner Mustangs boys' basketball team won two more games to give them a perfect 5-0 record in Blue Mountain Conference play. The Mustangs, who are 11-6 overall, beat the Enterprise Outlaws 68-31 and then defeated the Union Bobcats by the score of 73-52.

Against the Outlaws, Heppner came out and took control of the game early as they led after the first quarter by the score of 17-8. The Mustangs kept up the defensive intensity in the second quarter and only let the Outlaws score a total of four points. Heppner led at the half 35-12.

The offense continued to click for the Mustangs as they scored 16 points in the third quarter and only let the Outlaws get seven. Heppner led after three quarters 51-19. The fourth quarter was much of the same for the Mustangs as they outscored Enterprise by five and won the game by the score of 68-31.

Trent Smith went 4-7 from three-point range and led the team in scoring with 19 points. He also had three rebounds and three steals in the game. Justin McAninch had 10 points, three rebounds and a blocked shot for the Mustangs. Logan Burright was next with

seven points, one rebound and one assist while Tyler Carter finished with six points, five rebounds and two assists. Reno Ferguson scored five points and he also had two rebounds. Dakota Howard had four points, five rebounds, one assist and blocked a shot on the night. With three points each were Hunter Nichols and Mason Lehman. Nichols also had five assists, one rebound, one blocked shot and a steal. Lehman had three rebounds to go along with his three points. With two points in the game were Cason Mitchell, Gibson McCurry and Derek Howard. Mitchell also had four rebounds and a steal while McCurry hauled down three rebounds and had three big blocks in the game. Derek Howard also had three rebounds and a steal for the team. Keegan Gibbs didn't

score in the game but he had three assists and a rebound. In the game with the Bobcats, Heppner led after one quarter 20-15. It was the second quarter that made the difference in the game as the Mustangs outscored the Bobcats 16-5. Heppner led at halftime 36-20.

The second half was very close but the Mustangs didn't let the Bobcats get any closer. Heppner won the game by the score of 73-52.

Burright led the Mustangs in scoring with 17. He also had five rebounds, four steals and one assist for the Mustangs. Carter was next with 16 points, eight big rebounds and an assist. Smith scored eight points, had five rebounds and one assist in the game. McCurry had a good all-around game as he scored six points, had

six rebounds, blocked two shots and had one steal and one assist. Nichols scored five points, led the team in rebounding with seven and had five assist. McAninch also scored five points and he had three rebounds. Three players scored four points each as Mitchell had four points and three rebounds, Dakota Howard scored four and recorded four rebounds and Derek Howard also notched four points to go along with two rebounds. Ferguson scored two points and had two rebounds while Gavin Hanna-Robinson also had two points and one rebound. Gibbs recorded one rebound and one assist for the Mustangs.

This weekend the Mustangs will travel to Pilot Rock to take on the Outlaws and then will host the Weston-McEwen Tigerscots.



Varsity basketball player Justin McAninch dunks it in the game versus Union last weekend.

# JV boys get two more wins



JV player Kellen Grant shoots while Roy Collins assists during the Enterprise game.

The Heppner Mustang JV boys' basketball team pushed their overall record to 12-2 with a pair of wins last weekend. The team defeated the Enterprise Outlaws 57-18 and then beat the Union Bobcats by the score of 54-32.

Against the Outlaws, the Mustangs led at halftime 31-8. A great defensive effort by Heppner held Enterprise to only 10 points in the second half and secured the win.

Roy Collins led the team with 13 points. Casey Fletcher and Joe Sherman recorded nine points each. With six points each were Kannon Wilkins and Kellen Grant. Gavin Hanna-Robinson had five points and Brock Hisler finished with four. Jordan Sweeney and Jackson Lehman finished with two points each and

Cody Fletcher had one.

In defeating the Bobcats, Heppner led after the first quarter 12-1. They then outscored the Bobcats 17-5 in the second to lead at halftime 29-6. The teams played nearly even in the second half as Union used several of their varsity players in the final two quarters.

Wilkins led the team with 10 points and Hanna-Robinson had eight. Scoring six points each in the game were Grant, Lehman, Hisler and Derrick Smith. Collins had four and with three points each were Sweeney and Sherman. Casey Fletcher finished with two points in the game.

This week the JV Mustangs look to continue their winning ways as they take on the Pilot Rock Rockets and the Weston-McEwen Tigerscots.

# JV girls in one loose one



Hannah Finch shoots during Enterprise game on Friday, the Mustangs lost to Enterprise 40-37. JV girls beat Union 41-40 on Saturday after being down by 20 points

# Varsity girls take Enterprise game 64-61 in overtime



Varsity's Sydney Wilson scored 30 points in the Enterprise game.



Madison Ashbeck goes for the ball in the Varsity game with Union.



Gibson McCurry shoots in the Varsity game against Union

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# District Hoopshoot winners announced



Pictured in the front row (L-R): Jason Hull, Sofia Rodriguez, Jacoby Roberts and Lily Langford. Back row (L-R): Corey Sweeney, Elks Northeast District Hoopshoot Chairman, Julie Hull, Hudson Spike, Doug Riggs, Oregon Elks Association Northeast Trustee and Nick Bettencourt, Oregon Elks Association Northeast Vice President.

The Elks Northeast District Hoopshoot event was held Jan. 6 in Hermiston with 38 kids ranging in age from 8-13. The northeast district includes Hood

River, The Dalles, Condon, Heppner, Hermiston, Milton-Freewater, Baker City and Enterprise.

Taking first, second and third in the 8-9 year-old

boys category were Jacoby Roberts, Condon; Brennan Garrick, Baker and Keaton Coiner, Heppner. Girls ages 8-9 winners were Sofia Rodriguez, Hermiston, Colbi Bachman, Baker and Molly McMurray, Condon.

First place in 10-11

year-old boys went to Jason Hull, The Dalles, second to Jose Juarez, Hermiston and third to Kale Dalke, Baker. The same age group for girls had Lily Langford, Milton-Freewater in first, Gracie Spike, Baker in second and Willow Hand, Condon in third.

In the 12-13 year-old boys group, Hudson Spike, Baker was first, Trey Hodges, The Dalles second and Lucas Power, Enterprise third. Taking first in the 12-13 year-old girls category was Julie Hull, The Dalles, Madilynn Perkins, Milton-Freewater second and Josi Coggins, Enterprise in third.

First place winners will travel to Silverton, OR on Feb. 16 to compete in the Oregon State Hoopshoot competition. Winners of the state competition will compete in Regionals in March.

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