

Mustangs lower the boom on Boomers



Conor Brosnan (56), Hayden Hyatt (50), Brock Hisler (32) and Derrick Smith (2) show the Boomers how it's done. -Photo by Damon Brosnan.

The Heppner Mustang football team traveled to Redmond last Saturday to meet up with and play the Toledo Boomers. A crowd of nearly 100 Mustang friends, fans and family were in the huge stands to witness the 46-6 win by the Mustangs.

Conor Brosnan kicked off to start the game and the teams traded possessions several times as both teams were trying to recover from the long bus ride to Redmond. Heppner had the ball near the end of the first quarter and got their first score when Quarterback Jayden Wilson ran the ball into the end zone for eight yards out for a touchdown. The first quarter ended with the Mustangs ahead 6-0.

Toledo scored on their first possession of the second quarter to tie the score 6-6. After a Heppner pass tipped off of a Mustang receiver's hands and was intercepted by the Boomers, the Heppner defense held and got the ball right back for the offense. Just four plays later the Mustangs scored again as Brock Hisler took a handoff and sprinted 52 yards for a touchdown. That made the score of the game 12-6 with six minutes left in the half.

On the next Toledo possession, Brosnan stepped in front of a Boomer pass

attempt and intercepted the ball. He then took off and outran the entire Toledo offense in route to a 70-yard touchdown. Wilson completed a pass to Derrick Smith for the 2-pt. conversion to make the score 20-6 at halftime.

Toledo kicked off to start the second half and Jackson Lehman returned the ball 39 yards before being pushed out of bounds at the Boomer 31-yard line. On the very first play from scrimmage, Wilson took off running with the ball and scored a touchdown. Heppner now led 26-6 only 17 seconds into the second half.

Just one minute later the Mustangs scored again when Jake Lentz forced a Toledo fumble and Wilson scooped the ball up at the 27-yard line and ran it into the end zone for a touchdown. The score was now 32-6.

The next Toledo drive went backwards on all three plays before they punted. Mikel Jaca and Lehman tackled the Boomer running back for a 4-yard loss on the first play. Roy Collins got a tackle for a 1-yard loss and then Tucker Ashbeck sacked the Toledo quarterback for a 5-yard loss. The Boomers then punted the ball to Jace Coe who rambled 24 yards with it to give

the Mustangs great field position. On the very next play Wilson carried the ball into the end zone for a 14-yard touchdown run. Brosnan kicked the extra-point to give Heppner a 39-6 lead with over eight minutes left in the third quarter.

The next time Heppner got the ball, Wilson dropped back and found Kason Cimmiyotti open downfield and hit him with a perfectly thrown pass for a 49-yard touchdown. Brosnan once again made the extra-point kick to make the score 46-6 with over five minutes to play in the third quarter.

The game continued with a running clock and the Heppner coaching staff started to substitute multiple players into the game. The teams traded possessions several more times and the game ended fittingly as Wilson and Collins sacked the Toledo quarterback. The final score of the game was 46-6.

The Mustangs finished the game with 219 total yards and Toledo had 153.

Wilson was 4-8 passing the ball for 83 yards and a touchdown. Coe caught two passes for 34 yards and Cimmiyotti had the one reception for 49 yards and a score. Lehman had a reception that gained no yards.

Leading the team in

rushing was Wilson with 83 yards and three touchdowns on six carries. Hisler ran for 47 yards and a score on five carries and Caden George had one carry for six yards. Cameron Proudfoot gained three yards on one carry and Landon Mitchell ran for a yard on two carries.

The defensive effort was led by Hisler with 12 tackles and two quarterback sacks. Brosnan was next with eight tackles and he had an interception. Collins recorded six tackles and Cody Fletcher had six tackles and two quarterback sacks in the game. With five tackles each were Lehman and Jaca while Coe and Hayden Hyatt had four tackles each for the Mustangs. Having three tackles each in the game were Wilson, Ashbeck and Saul Lopez. Ashbeck also recorded a sack of the quarterback. With two tackles in the game were Smith, Cimmiyotti, Lentz, Proudfoot and Ty Boor. Lentz also forced a Boomer fumble. With one tackle each in the contest were George, Chase Jones and Paul Lindsay.

The Mustangs will take on Amity at Dufur High School on Friday, April 9 at 6 p.m.

Volleyball girls take all three games

Heppner Mustangs volleyball won in four against Weston-McEwen last Tuesday, then did the same against Grant Union on Thursday. They finished up the week competing against Weston-McEwen again on Saturday, winning in five.

Coach Mindy Wilson said of the first competition against W-M, "We had a little bit of a rough start, but once we were able to get warmed up things just started to come easy." In that game the girls' stats were Genevieve Smith - Digs 7, Kills 2, Assists 8, Aces 2; Marlee Mitchell - Digs 5, Assists 13, Aces 1; Sydney Wilson - Digs 13, Kills 14, Block 1, Aces 3; Alexis Cutsforth - Digs 22; ZaBrena Masterson - Kills 6; Kayla McAninch - Blocks 3 and Sage Ferguson - Digs 6, 3 Aces.

At Grant Union, stats were Genevieve Smith - Digs 13, Kills 1, Assists 8; Marlee Mitchell - Digs 12, Assists 14, Aces 1; Sydney Wilson - Digs 24, Kills 13, Block 3, Aces 3; Alexis Cutsforth - Digs 40, Aces 1; ZaBrena Masterson - Kills 5, Block 1, Aces 1; Kayla

McAninch - Kills 3, Blocks 3; Sage Ferguson - Digs 11; Aimee Turrell - Digs 5, Kills 2 and Kennisyn Wilkins - Digs 11, Kills 3. Coach Wilson noted, "We knew we were in for a fight. It was their home court and their senior night, so we knew they would be going in with momentum. We played steady and strong, didn't give them an inch and came out on top."

Weston-McEwen traveled to Heppner on Saturday, April 3, to take on the Heppner girls on their senior night. Wilson pointed out, "We struggled getting going, but battled back as a team and took the win on our senior night." Mustangs' stats were Genevieve Smith - Digs 11, Kills 2, Assists 18; Marlee Mitchell - Digs 10, Assists 14; Sydney Wilson - Digs 17, Kills 15, Block 1, Aces 7; Alexis Cutsforth - Digs 47, Aces 2; ZaBrena Masterson - Kills 4, Aces 3; Kayla McAninch - Kills 3, Blocks 1; Sage Ferguson - Digs 11, Aces 1; Aimee Turrell - Digs 6, Kills 5; Kennisyn Wilkins - Digs 3, Kills 9 and Hailey Holgren - Aces 1.



Pictured: Genevieve Smith (14), Marlee Mitchell (6) and Sydney Wilson (12). -Photo by Kirsti Cason.

Heppner temps near normal

According to preliminary data received by NOAA's National Weather Service in Pendleton, temperatures at Heppner averaged near normal during the month of March.

The average temperature was 44.1 degrees which was 0.1 degrees below normal. High temperatures averaged 55.4 degrees, which was 0.5 degrees above normal. The highest was 69 degrees on the 6th. Low temperatures averaged 32.8 degrees, which was 0.7 degrees below normal. The

lowest was 26 degrees, on the 23rd. There were 13 days with the low temperature below 32 degrees.

Precipitation totaled 0.27 inches during March, which was 1.25 inches below normal. Measurable precipitation, at least .01 inch, was received on seven days with the heaviest, 0.11 inches reported on the 25th.

Precipitation this year has reached 2.93 inches, which is 1.18 inches below water year precipitation

at Heppner has been 6.41 inches, which is 1.76 inches below normal.

The outlook for April from NOAA's Climate Prediction Center calls for near to below normal temperatures and near normal precipitation. Normal highs for Heppner rise from 59.0 degrees at the start of April to 64.0 degrees at the end of April. Normal lows rise from 36.0 degrees to 40.0 degrees. The 30-year normal precipitation is 1.51 inches.

Fact Sheet

Residential Burn Barrels: A Source of Toxic Pollution

How does burning household waste produce toxic air pollution?

Burn barrels are inefficient and polluting: they produce low temperature fires that receive very little oxygen. They also produce a lot of smoke (finely divided particulate matter) and many toxic substances. Virtually all of the pollutants are released into the air close to ground level, where they are easily inhaled.



Burning in burn barrels is considered "open burning."

The majority of pollutants emitted from burning household wastes in a burn barrel (or other types of open burning) are carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, very small breathable particles and nitrogen oxides. However, smaller amounts of more poisonous chemicals are also released into the air when household waste is burned. These include benzene, styrene, formaldehyde, dioxins and furans. These toxic chemicals are carried deep into the lungs, attached to fine particles. There, they embed into lung tissue and enter the bloodstream.

Many cities have banned burn barrels, or open burning altogether, including Brookings, Bandon, Florence, Medford, Jacksonville, Talent, and Salem/Keizer.

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- **Garbage pickup service** - Check with your local municipality.
- **Self-haul** - For do-it-yourself types, it is cheaper to haul trash to a permitted landfill or transfer site.

What materials can be burned?

Untreated wood, paper and natural vegetative materials can be safely burned.

Burning the following materials is illegal anytime, anywhere in Oregon:

- Asbestos
- Asphalt
- Auto parts (including frames)
- Dead animals
- Plastic and rubber products
- Tires
- Waste oil, petroleum materials
- Wet garbage and food waste
- Material creating dense smoke or noxious odors.

Burning prohibited materials can result in serious fines. For more information on Oregon's open burning rules and recycling options, contact DEQ.

Complaints

Please call your local fire department to report an open burning complaint. You may also contact DEQ's complaint hotline at 888-997-7888 or submit a complaint online at <https://www.oregon.gov/deq/GetInvolved/Pages/File-Pollution-Complaint.aspx>



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