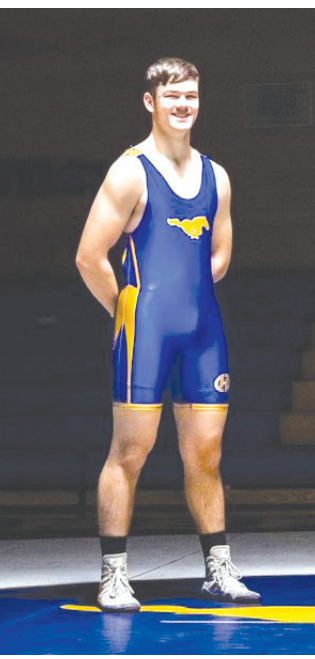
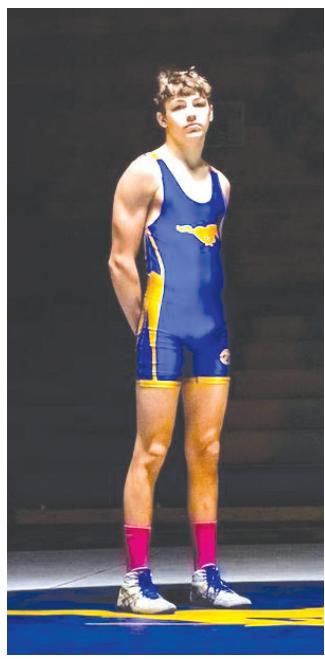


Mustang wrestlers overcome weather, cancellations to compete at state.

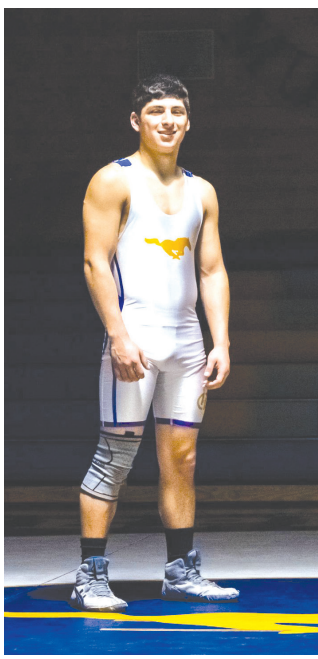
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Cade Cunningham



Zachary Brown



Saul Lopez

aded. "It was an experience for sure."

Cavan-Harris, wrestling at 195 pounds, started the tournament by winning by fall over Mathew Chapman of Kennedy in the first round. He then won by fall over Lee Brainard of Oakridge in the quarterfinal. He fell to Ash Blomstrom of Toledo in the semifinal match but rallied to win by fall over Clancy Rutledge of Culver in the consolation semifinal match. His tournament run ended when he lost by decision (9-5) to Malachi Hansen of Central Linn in the third-place match.

Zach Brown, wrestling at 138 pounds, won round one by medical forfeit and advanced to the quarterfinal, where he won by decision (8-4) over Draven March of Nestucca. Brown then lost by decision (6-3) in the semifinal and suffered another loss by decision (5-3) in the consolation round.

Saul Lopez wrestled at 138 pounds. He received a bye in his first round but then lost by tech fall to Nic Kaufman of Toledo. He received another bye in consolation round two. He then lost consolation round three by major decision (15-4) to Aaron Martin of Glendale.

Cade Cunningham, wrestling at 220 pounds, received a bye in his first round. He then lost by fall to Logan Clayburn of Myrtle Point in the quarterfinal match. Cunningham won his next two matches, by

fall over Howard Lewelling of Glendale in consolation round two and by decision over Rylan Cox of Grant Union/Prairie City in consolation round three. He finished his run in the state tournament by losing by fall to Gunnar McDowell of Enterprise/Wallowa in the consolation semifinal.

The Gazette-Times previously reported in error

that Lady Mustang Journey Cavan-Harris qualified for the women's state tournament. Cavan-Harris was indeed the first Heppner female wrestler to place at the district level, placing fourth. However, she did not qualify for state, as only the top three wrestlers advanced. The editor apologizes for the error.

Ione players receive all-league honors

Several Ione/Arlington players were selected for Big Sky all-league teams at the recent district championships.

Named to first team for the boys was senior Marcus Radcliffe.

Selected for second team was senior Bryce

Rollins.

Receiving an honorable mention was senior Carson Eynetich.

On the girls' side, Delani Stefani was named to first team, while Najiah Knight and Vicky DeLaTorre both received honorable mentions.

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Mustangs advance to final eight in state championships

The Heppner Mustang boys basketball team punched their ticket to the OSAA 2A State Basketball Championships by defeating the Oakland Oakers 52-43. The Mustangs (20-5) will play in the first game of the tournament at the Pendleton Convention Center on Thursday, March 2, at 1:30 p.m. against the Manna-house Academy Lions. The Lions (25-2) finished first in the Northwest League and beat Bandon in a playoff game to advance to Pendleton.

The Mustangs traveled to Oakland to play the Oakers in a small gym commonly referred to as the "Nut House" for how loud and crazy it can get. The first-round playoff game was played in front of a packed house of Oaker fans who loudly supported their team. Quite a large group of Heppner parents and fans made the long trip to Oakland to support the Mustangs. Their cheering certainly helped the Mustang team throughout the game.

The long trip didn't appear to slow the Mustang team down as they jumped out to a quick 6-1 in the first two minutes of the game. Heppner kept the pressure on and led 14-8 at the end of the first quarter. The Mustangs continued to score early in the second quarter and extended their lead to 22-14 with two minutes left in the first half. Oakland

went on a small run and then scored a basket at the buzzer to cut the Mustang lead to 24-22 at halftime.

Heppner kept rolling throughout the third quarter and pushed their lead to 32-25 with three minutes to play in the quarter. The Mustang defensive pressure continued to slow Oakland down and with only 20 seconds left in the third quarter the Mustangs had their largest lead of the game at 40-29. The Oakers scored near the end of the quarter to cut the Mustang lead to 40-31 as the fourth quarter started.

Oakland made a run at the Mustangs and pulled to within four points at 42-38 with four minutes left in the game. Heppner held strong and extended their lead to 48-40 with two minutes to play. Oakland was forced to foul the Mustangs and send them to the free throw line. The Mustangs made several key free throws down the stretch to keep the Oakers from getting any closer. Heppner won the game by the score of 52-43.

A balanced scoring attack for the Mustangs

saw Trevor Nichols lead the team with 15 points. David Cribbs was next with 12 points and eight rebounds. Tucker Ashbeck contributed eight points and controlled the paint area before fouling out late in the game. Caden George had six points in the game and was tasked with defending the best Oakland player all game long. He did a tremendous job of holding that player to well below his season average in points. Landon Mitchell had five points and nine rebounds for the Mustangs as he controlled the pace of play for the team throughout the game. Cameron Proudfoot provided valuable minutes of hustle play and scored four points in the game. Mason Orem stepped in when the team got in some foul trouble early and gave the team an energy boost and also scored two points.

This is the second year in a row that coach Jeremy Rosenbalm has taken his team to Pendleton to play in the "Final Eight." The Mustangs were also recently there in the 2014-15 and 2015-16 seasons.

Heppner Housing Authority to meet

The next meeting of the Heppner Housing Authority for the Heppner Senior Center will be Tuesday, March 7, at 4 p.m. in the

St. Patrick's Senior Center dining room.

For more information, contact Kay Rene Qualls at 541-980-2836.



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