

Mustang boys win 2 of 3 games defeating Tigerscots and Prospectors



Cameron Proudfoot shooting for the net in their winning game against the Tigerscots.
-Photo by Susie Hisler



Landon Turner battling for the ball midair in their JV winning game against the Tigerscots.-Photo by Susie Hisler

The Heppner Mustang boys' basketball team won two of their three Blue Mountain Conference games last week. They lost to the Stanfield Tigers by the score of 70-52, but then came back to defeat the Weston-McEwen Tigerscots 80-66 and then traveled to take care of the Grant Union Prospectors in a close one 71-70.

In the game in Stanfield, the Mustangs struggled to get going and trailed the entire game. Heppner was down 25-11 at the end of the first quarter and 48-21 at the half. The Mustangs came out of the halftime break and won the second half 31-22. They at one time in the second half cut the Stanfield lead down to 13 points. The Mustangs continued to play hard but ultimately lost the game by the score of 70-52.

Caden George had a big night for the Mustangs as he scored 31 points, had 5 rebounds, 4 assists and 2 steals. Freshman Keaton Coiner stepped up and contributed 8 points and 3 rebounds for the team. Landon Mitchell filled up the stat sheet with 7 points, 7 rebounds, 6 assists and 3 steals. Thomas Bales scored 2 points, had 2 rebounds and an assist while Cameron Proudfoot scored 2 and had 2 rebounds and 2 assists. Marty Medina also scored 2 points to go along with his 3 rebounds for the team.

The JV Mustangs also struggled with the game against the Tigers. They lost by the score of 58-28. Logan Turner led the team in scoring with 10. Caleb George and Alakae Rodriguez both scored 5 points and with 3 points each were Jackson Coiner and Tripp Stewart. Keaton Coiner rounded out the scoring with 2 points.

The Mustangs then hosted the Weston-McEwen Tigerscots and won by the score of 80-66.

The Mustangs erupted for their highest point total of the year against the always tough Tigerscots. Heppner led the game 19-17 after the first quarter and then stretched the lead to 38-30 at halftime. The Mustangs outscored Weston-McEwen 22-17 in the third to lead the game 60-47 as the fourth quarter started. A close final frame that Heppner won by the score of 20-19 led the win by the score of 80-66.

Mason Orem led the Mustangs in scoring as he poured in 25 points. He also dished out 4 assists for the team. Cameron Proudfoot had an outstanding night as he nearly recorded a triple double. Cameron scored 23 points, had 11 rebounds, 8 assists and 3 steals in the game. Landon Mitchell was strong once again as he contributed 11 points, 4 rebounds, 4 assists and had a steal. Next with 9 points, 5 rebounds, 1 assist and 1 steal was Thomas Bales. Following him with an impressive outing was Keaton Coiner who had 7 points, 5 rebounds, 5 steals and he also blocked a shot. Caden George scored 5 points, had 2 rebounds, 5 big assists and a steal for the Mustangs. Marty Medina did not score in the game but had 2 rebounds and 3 assists for the team.

The JV team got back on the winning track and ran their season record to 9-1 with a 54-36 win over the Tigerscots. Heppner led 22-10 at the end of the first quarter and never let up. Tripp Stewart led the team with 13 points and Caylan Proudfoot was next with 9. With 8 points each were Caleb George and Keaton Coiner. Jackson Coiner was next with 5, Logan Turner had 4 and Alakae Rodriguez 3. With 2 points each were Brody McDaniel and Landon Turner.

Both teams traveled to John Day to take on the Prospectors and they both got wins in their games. The varsity Mustangs won an exciting game by the score of 71-70. Heppner jumped out to a 24-18 lead at the end of the first quarter. The Mustangs continued their hot shooting as a team in the second and led 40-34 at halftime. Heppner did stretch the lead to 11 points early in the third quarter, but Grant Union would rally back. Both teams scored 20 points in the quarter and the Mustangs still led by 6 points, 61-55. The Prospectors would outscore the Mustangs in the fourth quarter 15-10 and they even tied the score at 63-63 with four minutes left in the game. A minute later Grant Union took their first lead in the game 64-63 and then led 65-63. Heppner would quickly score to tie the game and then Grant Union scored a bucket to lead 67-65 with 1:50 left in the game. Heppner hit a three-pointer on their next possession to lead 68-67. The Prospectors would then have to foul the Mustangs in an attempt to get the ball back. With 19 seconds left in the game, Landon Mitchell stepped to the line and calmly shot and scored two free throws to give the Mustangs a 70-67 lead. Grant Union hurried the ball to their end and missed a shot that saw Caden George rip the rebound down and secure. Grant Union fouled him, and he stepped to the free throw line with only five seconds left in the game. Caden made one

of two free throws to give the Mustangs a 71-67 lead. Grant Union hit a long meaningless three-pointer at the buzzer to make the final score 71-70.

The total team effort in securing this big road win was led by Caden George with 29 points, 8 rebounds, 3 assists and a steal. Landon Mitchell battled early foul trouble and was next with 13 points, 6 rebounds, 2 assists and he blocked a shot. Mason Orem stepped up again with 12 points, 7 rebounds, 4 assists, a steal and blocked a shot. Cameron Proudfoot scored 8 points, had 2 rebounds, 5 assists and a block. Keaton Coiner also scored 8 points in the game, and he had 3 rebounds. Thomas Bales hit a free throw, had 4 rebounds, 1 assist and he blocked 1 shot. Although he didn't score in the game, Marty Medina provided valuable minutes and he recorded a rebound and an assist.

The JV Mustangs (10-1) won their game with the Prospectors by the score of 46-36. The teams were tied at the end of the first quarter 13-13 and Heppner only led 24-22 at the half. The third quarter is where the Mustangs opened it up and led 33-25 at the start of the fourth. The Mustangs outscored Grant Union in the final frame 13-11 to secure the win. Alakae Rodriguez led the team in scoring with 11. Logan Turner had 10 and Keaton Coiner scored 8 points. Caleb George had 7 and with 5 points each were Tripp Stewart and Caylan Proudfoot.

The Mustangs, 11-9 overall and 4-3 in conference, will play two more conference games this week. Heppner will host the Irrigon Knights on Wednesday and will then travel to Enterprise and play the Outlaws on Friday.

Mustang girls sweep the Tigerscots



Hadlie Nation leaped for the net during their away game.
-Photo by Susan Hisler



Maya Payne jumping to score for the Mustangs - Photo by Susan Hisler

The Heppner girls varsity basketball team avenged an earlier (45-48) first league game loss to Weston-McEwen to take a huge victory at Heppner, Thursday the 25th, with 54-44. In the first quarter, the Lady Mustangs wasted no time in setting up a wind sprint, fast pace, up and down the court style of play. Hallee Hisler, a Jr speedster went on a rampage taking the ball inside off steals for layins and driving shot. Heppner led 17-13 at the end of the first quarter. Heppner's quickness on defense created trouble for WM, with guards Hadlie Nation, Delaney Stefani, Lily Nichols, and Hallee Hisler in control. Katie Spivey, Kadie Henrichs and Maya Payne were sharing rebound and middle duties. In the first half, WM turned the ball over to Heppner's Zaleta Masterson. Heppner ended the half with a nice 28-21 lead. A well-balanced scoring attack was led by Hallee Hisler 11, Hadlie Nation 5, Delaney Stefani and Lily Nichols 3, Katie Spivey and Kadie Henrichs 2, and Maya Payne 1. The third quarter proved to be much of the same. Then

two big 3's, one by Nichols and Stefani spread WM to the outside and Hisler continued inside to the glass for scores. Healy Hisler took the court, keeping the guards rested and out of foul trouble. The third quarter ended 44-37. The fourth quarter was WM trying to make a comeback. Heppner's biggest keas came at the 5:25 mark leading 49-38. Free throws by Maya Payne stretched the lead 51-38. Then easy back-to-back baskets for WM called for a Heppner time out. Hallee Hisler fouled out with a minute to the game. WM needing to foul, fouled freshman Maya Payne and Healy Hisler and sophomore Delaney Stefani. Free throws were made to seal the win, 55-44. Heppner is now 14-1 overall, 3-3 in league. Hallee Hisler had an amazing game of steals, rebounds, and assists with 19 pts. Delaney Stefani has a super game with 10 pts. Maya Payne had 8 pts. Hadlie Nation and Lily Nichols tied with 6 pts. Kadie Hen-

richs and Katie Spivey with 2 pts. each, and Healy Hisler, Morgan Cutsforth and Ava Gerry with 1 pt. each. "With a packed gym in attendance, this was a thrilling total team effort and much needed win."

Heppner's JV girls team took the win against Weston-McEwen with 37-31. The girls started the game out pressing and executing ball movements. Shots were made, missed, steals made, and balls turned over, as the first quarter ended 8-9. While Heppner was trying to give minutes to thirteen players, WM played 8 the whole game. Sometimes, like musical chairs, the players go in and out to gain minutes of play. The second quarter saw teammates taking the court and continuing their team play to a 13-11 halftime lead. Third quarter saw Maya Payne having a hot hand from the paint for 9 pts. Many points came from Healy Hisler's assists. The girls took a comfortable 31-13 lead into the 4th quarter. Highlight lay in the 4th was Teagan Kelton layin, Claire Lindsays passes to Issabella Ogden for 2, and Lindsay finding the hoop to push the score to 37-15 for the win. The team consists of 10 freshmen and 3 sophomores. Each game a different player has shining moments. Heppner's scorers were led by Maya Payne 13, Riley Archer 6, Healy Hisler 3, Zoleta Masterson, Claire Lindsay, Teagan Kelton, Olivia, and Issabella Ogden all had 2 each, and Ashli Paullus had 1. Avree Lathrop, Jules Archer, and Brooklyn Hendricks rounded out the team in other stat areas. Heppner extended a 10-0 overall season record.

Mustang girls lose to the Tigers 46-24

The Heppner girls' varsity basketball team fell 46-24 to high powered Stanfield, in a make-up game on the night of Tuesday the 23rd in Stanfield. The Tigers raced off to a 12-3 first quarter lead. While the Mustangs struggled out of the gates. They had no games during the winter storm and the break from the gym was obvious. The second quarter saw the girls scoring 11 pts. and trailing 14-24 at halftime. Lily Nichols made a 3 pointer at the start of the game gave some hope, but it was short lived. At the end of three, it was 34-19. The combination of Kayla Monkus and Mazie Reeser

produced 33 points out of Stanfield's 46-points total for the game. Heppner Hallee Hisler tallied 7 points and Hadlie Nation tallied 6 points. The Mustangs saw Katie Spivey back in uniform after sitting out numerous games due to health issues. at the 3:00 mark in the 4th quarter Heppner sent in reserve players as Stanfield continued on. Stanfield is second in league play (4-1), and an overall record of 11-4. Heppner holds fourth in league (2-3) and 13-5 overall. Heppner will quickly have to put this game behind them and take on Weston-McEwen Thursday at Heppner High School.

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