

Heppner’s Mustangs fall short in 46-39 upset to Knappa at state



Mustangs challenge the tip-off in Knappa. Photo by Susan Hisler

On Feb. 28, the Oregon 2A Girls Basketball State Tournament delivered a first-round shocker as #7 Knappa edged out #10 Heppner, 46-39, in a game many are calling an upset of the night.

The Mustangs, who had previously dominated Knappa 53-42 in December, came into the matchup with momentum, only to see it slip away in a tough second half.

Heppner held an early advantage, but Knappa managed a narrow 15-14 lead by halftime, setting the stage for a Logger comeback.

Marriage Licenses Issued February

Marriage licenses were issued in Morrow County throughout February 2025. On February 5, Breonna Marie Sallee, 18, and Hayden Daniel McMahon, 19, both of Heppner, OR, were granted a marriage license. On February 10, Jose Guadalupe Ochoa Arreguin Sr., 44, and Kristi Partida Ramirez, 34, both of Stanfield, OR, received a license. On the same day, Katrina Jesse Olguin, 46, and Alejandro Avalos Acosta, 29, both from Boardman, OR, were also issued a marriage license. On February 24, Omar Corcuera Barragan, 37, and Shanna Rae Later, 43, both of Hermiston, OR, were granted a marriage license. On February 28, Jovanny Llamas, 31, and Mariela Coria, 28, both of Boardman, OR, received their marriage license, concluding the month’s issuances in Morrow County.

DEADLINE: MONDAYS AT 5PM

Ione alumni game sees good turnout



Ione hosted an alumni basketball game on Friday, Feb. 28. Many students from previous generations joined in on the fun, while current students coached and refereed. Back row: Jorge Aguilar, Kip Krebs, Paul Hamms, Mary Rietmann, Adam Collin, Beth Morter, Clay Morter, Tom Rudolf, Tanner Rietmann, Mauricio Martinez, JJ Rosenberg, Junior Verduzco, Gus Peterson, Shelly Rietmann-McCabe and Bryson Bailey. Front row: Brionna Serrano, Rosa Aguilar, Mary Clark, Jazmine Collin, Keltie Rietmann, Mark McElligott and Jake Neiffer. -Contributed photo

Heppner Housing Authority to meet

The next meeting of the Heppner Housing Authority for the Heppner Senior Center will be Tuesday, March, 11, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. in the St. Patrick’s Senior Center lobby.

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

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