

SPLIT: Cool bats lead to three-game slump

(Continued from Page A8) sixth inning, when Salem-Keizer went ahead by a run. Then came the eighth.

In the eighth, the Volcanoes came to bat 14 times and scored seven runs. They went through three Emerald pitchers for a rally that featured two stolen bases by Ronnie Jebavy and one by Jose Vizcaino Jr., who had hit a two-run homer in the sixth.

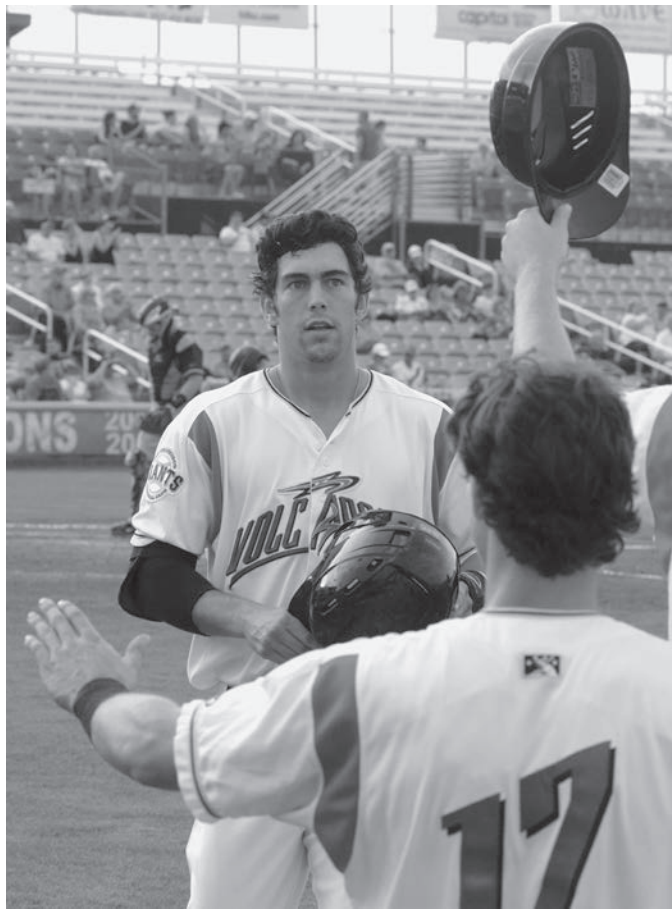
Eight Volcanoes had at least one hit, with John Riley getting three and Miguel Gomez two.

Andrew Suarez, Salem-Keizer's starting pitcher, went four innings, allowing three hits and one run and striking out three. He was removed because of his pitch count limit. Rayan Hernandez, the first of four relievers, got the win, his first. Eugene starter Jose Paulino took the loss.

Aug. 8: Eugene 1, Volcanoes 0

It was a series win but no sweep.

Emerald pitchers silenced Salem-Keizer bats, with starter Oscar De La Cruz striking out seven and allowing only four hits in his six innings, running his record to 6-4. Pe-



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Ronnie Jebavy is congratulated as he exits the field after scoring the Volcanoes' fifth run in two innings Tuesday, Aug. 11.

dro Araujo got his first save.

Logan Webb had one of his best starts for the Volcanoes, giving up the one run and allowing six hits but striking out six in his six innings. Jaret Leverett pitched the last two innings.

Eugene's run came in the second inning. Alberto Mineo tripled and scored on a single by Adonis Paula.

For the Volcanoes, CJ Hinojosa had one of his best games of the season with three hits, two of them doubles, in addition to fielding expertly. There were no errors in the game.

Aug. 9: Hillsboro 4, Volcanoes 2

Salem-Keizer pitchers gave up only one earned run, and the Volcanoes' Shilo McCall hit a home run, but it was not enough for a home series-opening win.

Both Volcano runs came in the third inning. John Riley singled, and McCall knocked the ball over the fence. Salem-Keizer was ahead 2-0 then, but the Hops scored twice in the fifth and twice in the sixth.

In the fifth, Sergio Alcan-

tara singled Nate Robertson home and scored on a sacrifice fly by Fernery Ozuna. By then there had been two outs and an error by Steven Duggar in right field.

Josh Anderson reached first base on an error by shortstop CJ Hinojosa in the sixth. Trevor Mitsui singled, and with two outs both scored on a single by Alcantara.

Hillsboro starter Carlos Hernandez was the winning pitcher with a 4-1 record, and Cameron Gann had his first save. Nathanael Santiago was the losing pitcher in relief.

Aug. 11: Volcanoes 7, Hillsboro 0

The Volcanoes decided they preferred a third shutout win for the season to getting swept in a series.

Salem-Keizer's big inning was the four-run first. Steven Duggar singled and was on base when Miguel Gomez hit his fourth home run of the season. The second out followed, and then CJ Hinojosa hit his third homer of the year. Fernando Pujadas doubled, went to third base on a wild pitch by Hillsboro starter and loser Tyler Mark, and scored on a single by Junior Amion.

Hinojosa had three hits for the night.

Nolan Riggs, the Volcanoes' starting pitcher, went six innings and allowed the Hops their total of three hits, running his record to 3-1. Rayan Hernandez pitched in relief.

Hanging with Crater



Submitted by Mary Holt
Volcanoes' mascot Crater ventured out from his hideaway at Volcanoes Stadium to hang out with members of the Keizer Boys & Girls Club at the Keizer Heritage Center Wednesday, Aug. 5.

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to center and scored as Jebavy doubled to left.

Sim held the Hops scoreless in the second inning, and in the bottom of the second the Volcanoes tied the score. Pujadas doubled to center and, with Hinojosa at bat, reached third on a wild pitch. Hinojosa then hit his second home run of the season over the left field wall. Reed struck out John Riley, but then Julio Pena homered to left.

Jaret Leverett took the mound to start the third, walked Dezzi and gave up a bad-hop single to center to Irving. Peevyhouse hit into a double play, Hinojosa to second baseman Amion to first baseman Chris Shaw, but Dezzi scored on the play to

give the Hops a 5-4 lead that they never lost. Leverett became the losing pitcher, and Will Landsheft, who pitched the Volcano third, got the win.

The Volcanoes' David Owen pitched the next three innings, striking out two and allowing only one hit.

In the Salem-Keizer fifth, facing pitcher Kirby Bellow, Shaw led off with a long single to right. However, the next batter, Jose Vizcaino Jr., grounded into a double play. Pujadas then grounded out.

Hinojosa's triple, hit to center, started the bottom of the sixth. However, Bellow struck out the next three batters.

Cory Taylor pitched the seventh and eighth innings for Salem-Keizer and Ryan Halstead the ninth.

In the bottom of the ninth, Steven Duggar led off with a

walk but was picked off at first base on a close play that manager Kyle Haines disputed so vehemently that he was ejected from the game. Ricky Ward, the pitching coach, replaced him in the third base coaching box. The Hillsboro pitcher, Brody Greer, walked Amion but retired the next two batters to get his second save.

"We let their bullpen shut us down," Haines said. "We can't be happy with just a few runs."

Riley, after a long struggle with the bat, has been hitting very well lately.

"Both Ricky Ward and Kyle Haines have helped me out by showing videos," he said.

Amion, asked what was keeping the Volcanoes down the last three games, said, "We just need to get hits in a timely manner."

SKSB accepts 4 grants

By HERB SWETT
For the Keizertimes

Four grants to the Salem-Keizer School District received school board approval at a 15-minute meeting Tuesday.

The largest, for \$2,629,899, was from the Oregon Department of Human Services and was a continuation grant for the Head Start Oregon Pre-kindergarten program. It will allow the district to serve 300 students in nine Head Start classrooms.

Also from DHS was a \$30,000 grant for My Future My Choice, providing professional development and train-

ing for health teachers to support implementation of state standards.

The other two grants were from the Oregon Department of Education. One, for \$60,000, was for the McKinney Homeless Education Program. The other, for \$27,189, was to provide fresh fruits and vegetables for Four Corners Elementary School students to eat during the school day, outside the regular meal program.

Other business included a monitoring report on emergency superintendent succession. Superintendent Christy Perry told the board that Kelly Carlisle, assistant superintendent, or Michael Wolfe, chief operating officer, could substitute for her. She added that John Beight, director of human resources, who is new to the district, eventually would be so qualified.

The board approved personnel changes that included the following in the McNary High School attendance area:

- Employment as a less than half-time McNary and elementary band teacher of Tessa Welterlen.

- Employment as a first-year probation part-time teachers of Miguel Campos, orchestra, Whiteaker Middle School; Erin Keck, kindergarten, Keizer Elementary School; Mary Anna Haviland, fourth-grade, English for speakers of other languages, Weddle Elementary School; Billie Crane, fourth-grade, ESOL, Clear Lake Elementary School; Melissa Miller, counselor, McNary; and Nicole DeBiasi, learning resource center, McNary.

- Resignations of Coral Walker, second grade, bilingual, Keizer; and Andrea Lockard, instructional coach, McNary.

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