

GROGAN

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decorated Stanfield athletes ever.

Now Grogan adds another accolade to his resume, as the East Oregonian/Hermiston Herald All-Area Baseball Player of the Year for the second straight time. After a dazzling 2016 season that saw Grogan set several school records and earn the honor as the state's best, he followed it up in 2017 with yet another masterful performance.

As Stanfield's No. 3 hitter in the

lineup, Grogan led the state semifinalist Tigers with a .488 batting average, smacked 17 extra-base hits, tallied 34 RBI and scored 52 runs. He also drew 19 walks and struck out just five times and put up a 1.295 On-base plus slugging percentage (for reference, New York Yankees slugger Aaron Judge leads Major League Baseball with a 1.141 OPS).

He didn't pitch as much as he could due to some arm soreness through the middle part of the season, but he still overpowered opponents in 29 1/3 innings and put up a 0.95 ERA with 53 strikeouts and

combined with Klay Jensen to pitch in two no-hitters.

His senior season didn't end how he had hoped, though, as Grogan and the defending champion Tigers were stunned at home by St. Mary's of Medford in the 3A semifinals.

"Of course it's disappointing, but if you look at the bigger picture and what we've done just to get here, I think we've earned a lot of respect for this town," he said.

Grogan will keep his focus on the baseball diamond as he moves away from Stanfield in the fall. He will play baseball at Yakima Valley

Community College for one season and then set his sights on playing at the Division I level.

Grogan has dreams of playing in the major leagues and hopes to follow in the footsteps of his older brother, Quinton, who went the baseball route in college and was selected in the 30th round of the 2016 MLB Draft by the Minnesota Twins.

2017 ALL-EO/HH BASEBALL

Player of the Year — Dylan Grogan, sr., Stanfield

FIRSTTEAM

Pitchers

Dylan Grogan, sr., Stanfield — 488 avg., 34 RBI, 1.295 OPS — 0.95 ERA, 53 K, EOL Co-Player of the Year, Austin Rice, sr., Irrigon — 1.53 ERA, 95 strikeouts — .406 average, 11 doubles, 30 runs, 20 stolen bases, EOL

Co-Player of the Year. Levi Thieme, sr., Pilot Rock — 2.38 ERA, 97 strikeouts, 1 no-hitter — .464 avg., 21 RBI, 1st team all-state.

Catcher

Thyler Monkus, sr., Stanfield — .379 avg., 584 on-base percentage; 57 R, 31 SB, 1st team all-EOL.

Infield

Ryan Bailey, sr., Stanfield — .451 avg., 30 RBI, 44 R, 10 doubles, 1st team all-EOL.

Wyatt Morris, sr., Pendleton — .375 avg., 2 HR, 25 R, 505 OBP, 1st team all-CRC.

Brody Woods, jr., Stanfield — .479 avg., 38 RBI, 12 2B, 5 3B; 1.44 ERA, 41 IP 63 strikeouts, 1st team all-EOL.

Tony Flores, sr., Stanfield — .434 avg., 46 R, 50 RBI, 15 2B — 2.65 ERA, 1st team all-EOL.

Outfield

Nick Bower, jr., Pendleton — .316 avg., 1 HR, 25 RBI, .410 OBP, 1st team all-CRC.

Wyatt Noland, soph., Hermiston — .370 avg., 14 R, 14 RBI, 4 doubles, 5 triples, 2nd team all-CRC.

Chris Weinke, jr., Pilot Rock — .424 avg., 27 R, 4 HR, 2A/1A All-State honorable mention.

Utility

Zack Henrichs, soph., Irrigon — .424 avg., 25 R, 26 RBI, 8 2B, 1st team all-EOL.

Braydon Postma, sr., Pilot Rock — .486 avg., 21 R, 17 RBI, 2A/1A All-State 2nd team.



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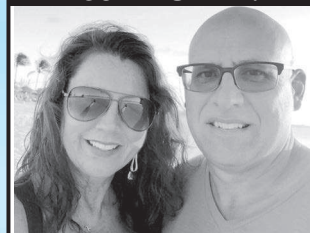
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