

VHS Spring Sports Report

Track and Field – Coaches Byron Brown, John Roady, and George Spaulding have a deep squad with over 45 students, 26 boys and 19 girls, participating this season. Roady says the team has looked good in the first three meets this season and won the Northwest League Relays.

The boys team looks like they should challenge for the District title and are led by senior Clay Sullivan, the two-time defending state champion in the 110 meter hurdles; Sullivan finished 2nd at State in the 330 hurdles and the long jump last



Kale Sullivan (l) and Andrew Vasquez (r)

year. Coach Roady said Sullivan will compete in all those events, plus he also plans to have Sullivan try the triple jump this season.

Andrew Vasquez is ranked high in the state in the 100 and 200 meter sprints with Pete Crystal showing well and adding some depth.

Jake Handegard is the leader of the team in distance events running the 800 meters, and may also try the 400 and 1,500 this season. Justine “Tanzy” Massengo and Wyatt Jones add depth in the distance events; freshman Jones has

been a pleasant surprise this season says Roady.

Handegard and Crystal have been a couple of the top high jumpers this season. Ben Fleck and Josh Rice have been strong in the discus and shot put events. Kale Sullivan, Byron Cook, and Noah Rylans have looked good in the javelin. Sullivan, a sophomore, looks like he will be a versatile athlete and will run relays, the 400, as well as compete in the long jump.

For the girls Adele Cousseau has been strong in the 1,500 and 3,000 meters and Jenna Handegard has looked good in the 800 and also the high jump.

Odessa Roberts has been a surprise in the long jump and triple jump.

MacKenzie Fassold is the leader for

the girls in the discus and shot put, with Lauren Ely leading in the javelin.

Freshman Hailey Reynolds has been a nice surprise and leads the girls in the sprints and is also participating in the long and triple jump. Alura Byler is the team’s best hurdler.

Baseball – The Loggers are off to a good start this season and have posted a 5-3 record in early season play.

After losing their season opener to Rainier and falling to Clatskanie, Coach Joe Walters’ boys bounced back with a pair of wins over Waldport, 15-7 and 13-11, and East Linn Christian Academy 21-4 and 26-4, and then split a pair of games with Heppner/Ione 11-13 and 22-7.

The Loggers kick off league play at perennial league leaders Knappa on April 10 followed by a home double header on Friday, April 13. They’ll also play a home double header against Nestucca on Friday, April 20.

Softball – The Lady Loggers have struggled at the start of the season and have a 1-6 record so far in non-league play.

After losing to Rainier, Waldport, and Clatskanie, Vernonia earned their first win of the season with a 7-6 victory over Lost River at the Rocket Invitational at Pilot Rock; the Lady Loggers later fell to both Pilot Rock and Enterprise in the tournament.

The Lady Loggers begin league play against Knappa on April 10 and then host Knappa in a home double header on April 13. They also have an upcoming home double header against Nestucca on Friday, April 20.

Vernonia Kindergarten Info and Registration

Friday, April 6

Incoming Kindergarten Open House
9-10 am at Vernonia Schools

Thursday, May 10

Vernonia/Mist Info Meetings
3:45-4:45 pm and 6:00-7:00 pm

Please call Vernonia Elementary School Office
(503) 429-1333 for an appointment

Required for pre-registration:
Immunization Records & Birth/Hospital Certificate

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updated Council on their work to save the Greenman Field bleachers. McGuire said the group is talking to possible non-profits to sponsor the project, are discussing ideas for generating revenue, and have received \$15,700 in pledges for repair work. Brewer said he is getting a bid on roofing materials.

Council Hears Presentation on Fishhawk Lake Improvements – Council heard a presentation from Fishhawk Lake Project Solutions, residents planning to improve flood management and fish ladder

issues. The group asked the Council for a Letter of Support as they seek grant funding, which Council authorized the City Administrator to sign.

Police Report – Chief Mike Conner told Council he is exploring the hiring of a School Resource Officer and said the City would split the cost with the Vernonia School District. Council asked that the issue be brought back for discussion at their April 16 meeting.

Council Meets in Executive Session, Takes No Action – Council met in Executive Session under ORS 192.660 (2)(h) “To consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.” Upon return to Open Session, Council took no further action.

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