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Aloha added two runs in top of the fifth, but the game ended after five innings with the Celts firmly in control.

"It was good to finally start hitting the ball. I think we were worried after only getting one hit in the first game of the season," Frizelle said. "I think we can still work harder at the plate though because we're still getting a lot of third strikes looking."

McNary rallied for an 8-6 win over Summit High School Thursday, March 24. After three-and-half innings, the Storm led 6-2 and the Celtics went to work. After Summit's pitcher loaded the bases on walks to start the inning, Gordon hit a double to score two runs. A successful bunt and steal by Frizelle put him on second while scoring Daniel Johnson and moving Gordon to third. A sacrifice fly by Benson scored Gordon and Frizelle moved to third. Frizelle and Aguilar scored on a single by T. Gilbert.

In the game with South Eugene Friday, March 25, McNary strung together four hits for two runs while working on two outs to take a 2-0 lead in the top of the first. The Axemen quickly erased it with three runs in the bottom of the frame. In the top of the second inning, Gordon scored on a single by T. Gilbert to knot the game 3-3.

South went up 4-3 in the fifth, but the Celts tied it up again in the sixth. McNary ended the game with a double play.

In the final game of the tournament, McNary made the most of errors and walks for an eight-run sixth inning to take a 9-4 victory over Southridge High School Saturday, March 26.

The teams went into the sixth inning tied 1-1. Aguilar, Ismay and T. Gilbert scored on fielding errors to kick things off. J. Gilbert, Van Cleave and Collin Wentworth scored on walks. Frizelle and Aguilar scored on a double by T. Gilbert.

On the whole Keeker was happy with the offensive output of the team.

"We had a lot of balls put in play and a lot more consistency up and down the line up as far as having quality at bats. That's going to make us a better team, knowing we can count on everyone 1 through 9," Keeker said.

While he cautioned the team not to pull a muscle patting themselves on the back, he was hoping for continued quality outings this week. McNary had games slated with Grant, Oregon City and Newberg high schools. It all leads up to the team's Greater Valley Conference opener at North Salem Tuesday, April 5. They'll face West Salem High School at home Wednesday, April 6.

"As a team, we just need to keep working together and putting in a lot of hustle, and go out and get a lot of hits, make good runs and play tough defense," Alger said.

Stars, venues sought for Salem's Make Music Day

A new event is seeking to fill the streets of Salem with music on the longest day of the year, June 21.

"Make Music Day is a fun and engaging way of bringing together our local community," said event co-organizer Carlee Wright. "It will highlight the uniqueness of Salem from its venues to its music as it encourages community togetherness."

Make Music Day Salem is looking for performers and venues to participate in the inaugural event. Organizers are hoping to include all genres of music from alternative to bluegrass and classical to zydeco.

Performers and potential venues are encouraged to visit www.makemusicsalem.org and sign up for the matchmaking service. Registration is free.

