

Warriors close out another successful summer season

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WARRENTON — Three wins in two days — not a bad way to finish the 2015 summer season for the Warrenton Warriors.

One day after a 15-0 win over Neah-Kah-Nie, the Warriors swept a Junior State Baseball doubleheader with Seaside Tuesday at Huddleston Field, 9-3 and 7-2.

The Warriors had strong performances on the mound in both games, as Jake Holthusen tossed a three-hitter in Game 1, while Joe Little pitched 5 2/3 innings in the second game, striking out four with two walks and one hit allowed.

“They (Holthusen and Little) both learned some things about pitching this summer, and they both made the improvements that we wanted to see,” said Warrenton coach Lennie Wolfe. “And offensively we made some big strides. It was definitely a successful summer season.”

Warrenton had to overcome a 3-1 deficit in the opener, as Seaside’s Jacob Bassett had a single to left field that scored Payton Westerholm to give the Gulls a two-run lead in the third inning.

The Warriors picked up a run in the bottom of the third on a run-scoring hit by Anthony Cochran, and Warrenton scored two runs on a passed ball and a wild pitch in the fifth to take the lead.

Warrenton took advantage of four walks and numerous wild pitches in the sixth to score five unearned runs.

Cochran had three of Warrenton’s seven hits in Game 1.

The Warriors led from start to finish in Game 2, as Gavon McFadden had a leadoff single and scored on a double by Little for a quick lead in the first inning.

Little and Dalton Knight had RBIs to push the lead to 4-0, and Hunter Wilson’s bases-loaded, three-run double in the fifth made it 7-1.

Rare appearances on the mound by Wilson, Justice Watson and David Foster closed out the game for the Warriors, as Carson Schulte had the lone hit for the Gulls.

Dylan Wallis and Gage McFadden gave up seven Warrenton hits.

Seaside hosts a doubleheader with Knappa at 4 p.m. Thursday at Broadway Field.



Joshua Bessex/The Daily Astorian
Seaside’s Gage McFadden, No. 4, loses control of the ball while trying to tag Warrenton’s Justice Watson, No. 4, during Game 1 of their doubleheader Tuesday.



Joshua Bessex/The Daily Astorian
Warrenton’s Hunter Wilson, No. 22, makes contact in the fifth inning.



Joshua Bessex/The Daily Astorian
Seaside’s Scott Plampin, No. 12, pitches in the third inning of Game 1 of the doubleheader against Warrenton.



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Warrenton’s Joe Little, No. 7, slides back to first during a pick-off attempt in the fourth inning of Game 1.

Trout hits leadoff HR, wins MVP as AL All-Stars top NL

By RONALD BLUM
AP Baseball Writer

CINCINNATI — Mike Trout flashed the skill that puts him at the front of baseball’s new generation, just moments after four of the all-time greats walked off the field.

Trout became the first player in 38 years to homer leading off an All-Star Game, then became the first player to take home the Midsummer Classic’s MVP award two years in row.

A new-look All-Star Game finished with the same old result. The AL beat the NL 6-3 Tuesday night and will open the World Series at home for the 10th time in 13 years.

“It’s obviously a humbling honor with the MVPs,” Trout said in his usual understated, aw-shucks manner.

After Trout completed a career All-Star cycle in just his fifth big league season, Prince Fielder delivered. He drove in two runs, sending Trout blazing home ahead of Joc Pederson’s throw with the run off Clayton Kershaw that put the AL ahead for good.

In an age of dominant pitching, Felix Hernandez, winner David Price, Zach Britton, Dellin Betances and Wade Davis took scoreless turns in the AL’s third win a row.

Playing on the AL West-leading Los Angeles Angels, Trout could add an even bigger honor this fall — his first World Series ring.

“He can do anything that anybody can do on a baseball field,” AL manager Ned Yost said. “He can hit with power. He can run. He can drive the gap. He’s a great defender. He’s just special. When you look at Mike, you don’t look at a 23-year-old. You look at a guy that is one of the best baseball players on this planet.”

A season after the retirement of Derek Jeter dropped the curtain on the turn-of-century greats, Trout was among six starting position players under 25 — the most since 1965. At last year’s game in Min-



John Minchillo/AP
American League’s Mike Trout of the Los Angeles Angels rounds the bases after hitting a home run during the first inning of the MLB All-Star baseball game, Tuesday in Cincinnati.

neapolis, he hit a tiebreaking triple and later a go-ahead double.

This time Trout sent Zack Greinke’s fourth pitch, a 94 mph fastball on the outer half of the plate, over the wall in right next to the visiting bullpen for an opposite-field homer.

Winner of his first season AL MVP award in 2014, the center fielder joined Willie Mays, Steve Garvey, Gary Carter and Cal Ripken, Jr. as the only two-time All-Star MVPs.

Stars old and young gathered in one of baseball’s most traditional towns. The Reds became baseball’s first professional team in 1869, and players wore caps with horizontal stripes in an attempt at a 19th century feel.

Pete Rose, Cincinnati’s hometown hero and baseball’s banned career hits leader, was given an 80-second ovation when he walked onto the field before the game to join Johnny Bench, Joe Morgan and Barry Larkin, elected by fans as the Reds’ greatest players. Wearing a red jacket and tie and walking stiffly, the now 74-year-old Charlie Hustle was applauded as soon as his image appeared on the video boards, even before he emerged from the AL dug-out.

Soon in the Hall of Fame, Randy Johnson won’t be a freeway

State cancels naming event

The Associated Press

PHOENIX — Organizers have nixed an event to temporarily put soon-to-be baseball Hall of Famer Randy Johnson’s name on a Phoenix freeway that is permanently named for an Arizona soldier killed in combat during the Iraq war.

Johnson wore the number “51” while playing for the Arizona Diamondbacks, and Gov. Doug Ducey had planned to participate in a now-canceled event Friday to unveil signage for State Route 51 honoring Johnson.

The Diamondbacks announced the cancellation in a news release late Tuesday, saying concerns ex-

pressed by Pfc. Lori Piestewa’s family were understandable.

The Diamondbacks said none of the organizers wanted to pursue the event, noting that Johnson has visited troops overseas and is working with Wounded Warriors.

Johnson’s Hall of Fame induction is scheduled July 26.

SCOREBOARD

SPORTS SCHEDULE

THURSDAY

Junior State Baseball — Astoria Ford at Molalla (2), 5 p.m.; Neah-Kah-Nie at Astoria Ford B (2), 5 p.m.; Knappa at Seaside (2), 4 p.m.

SATURDAY

Baseball — Gresham Legion at Astoria Ford (2), 1 p.m.

SUNDAY

Baseball — Gresham Legion at Astoria Ford, 1 p.m.

BASEBALL

JUNIOR STATE

Game 1

Warrenton 9, Seaside 3
Seaside 102 000 0—3 3 4
Warrenton 101 025 x—9 7 4
Plampin, Bassett (4), Wallis (6), McFadden (6) and Landwehr, Wallis (6); Holthusen and McFadden. W: Holthusen. L: Bassett. RBI: Sea, Bassett, Landwehr; War, Wilson, Cochran. 2B: War, Cochran. HBP: Sea, Plampin, McFadden; War, Cochran. LOB: Seaside 7, Warrenton 8. DP: Seaside.

Game 2

Warrenton 7, Seaside 2
Seaside 000 011 0—2 1 1
Warrenton 201 130 x—7 7 2
Wallis, McFadden (5) and Landwehr; J.Little, Wilson (6), Watson (7), Foster (7) and McFadden. W: J.Little. L: Wallis. S: Foster. RBI: Sea, Blanchard; War, Wilson 4, J.Little 2, Knight. 2B: War, J.Little, Wilson. LOB: Seaside 4, Warrenton 5.

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