

# Old school rivals split doubleheader

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WARRENTON — The Knappa and Warrenton Junior State teams managed to squeeze in two games in 4 1/2 hours of baseball Tuesday afternoon at Huddleston Field, and both left with a victory.

Facing an all-state pitcher in Game 1, the Warriors overcame seven errors and stunned the Loggers 7-6, before Knappa bounced back with 23 runs in five at-bats in Game 2, for a 23-2 win, resulting in a doubleheader split for the old school rivals.

Granted, the Loggers were missing a few regulars from their lineup in the opener; and granted, Warrenton was using a pitcher not from Warrenton.

Still, the Warriors did what they had to do to hold off the Loggers in Game 1.

Warrior starter Zac Tapio, from Ilwaco High School, allowed just two hits and finished with nine strikeouts and five walks to pick up the win.

Knappa scored two runs in the top of the first on three walks and two errors, but Warrenton answered with a run in the bottom of the first (Dalton Knight scoring on a single by Derek Ham), and four runs in the second.

Devin Jackson had a two-run single to left to highlight Warrenton's big inning, as the Warriors held a 7-2 lead through six innings.

Tapio retired the Loggers in order in the fifth and sixth innings, before Knappa rallied in the top of the seventh.

Cody Stuhr had the Loggers' only hit of the inning, as Knappa took advantage of three Warrior errors.

With runners at second and third and two outs, Tapio got Colton Weirup to fly out to left field to end the game.

Warrenton committed seven errors, while the Loggers stranded 10 base runners.

Among others, the Loggers were missing Reuben Cruz, Andrew Goozee and Jason Miller. Still, Knappa did not miss their regulars in Game 2, in which the Loggers pounded out 16 hits and scored in every at-bat.

That included a 13-run fourth inning, while the Warriors committed another seven errors.

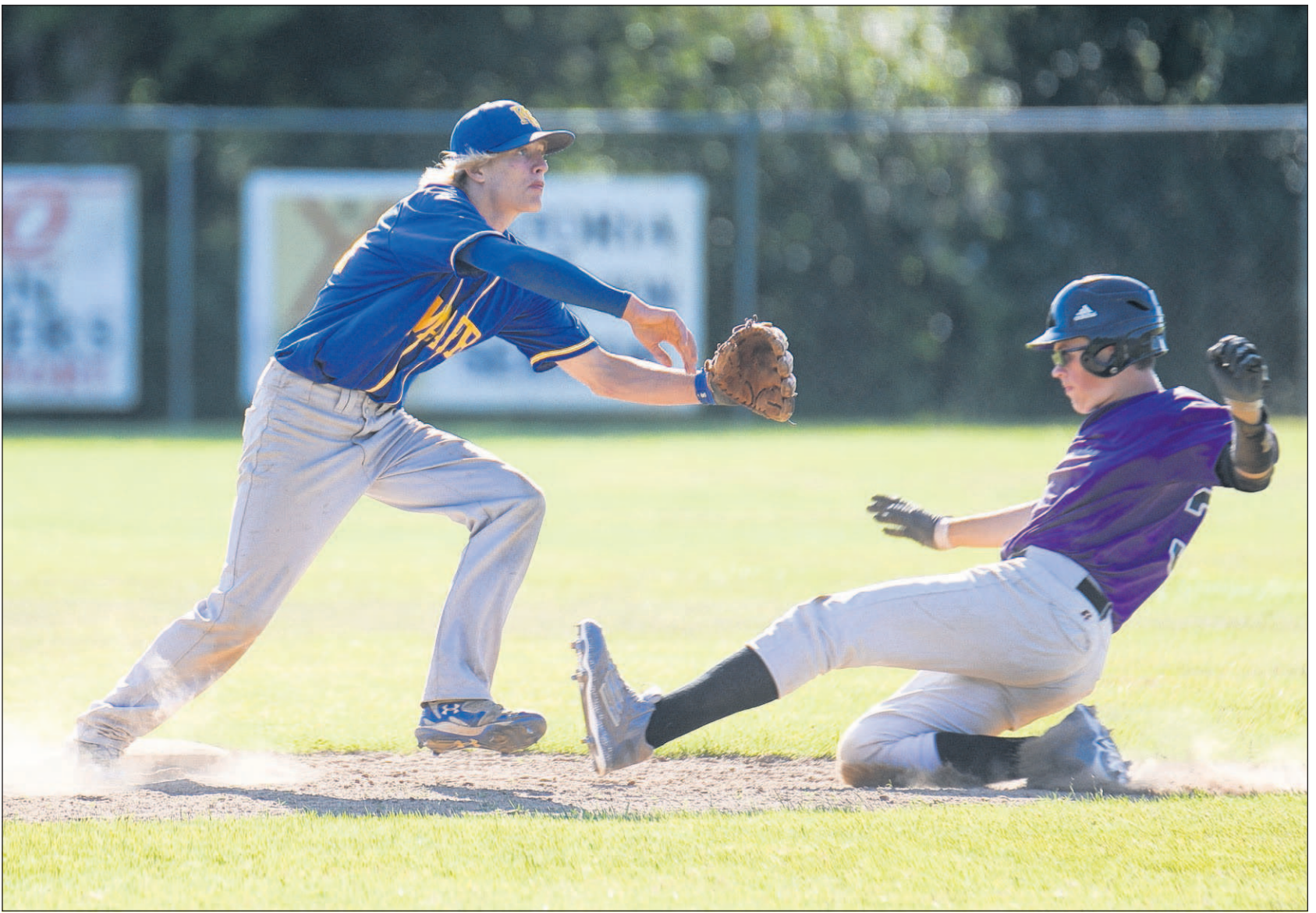
Weirup started on the mound and threw four solid innings, allowing just one hit with eight strikeouts and four walks.

Stuhr drove in five runs (three on a bases-loaded double), while Ty Vanderburg had three singles, Shaun Lackey had three RBIs, and David Patterson drove in two runs on two hits.

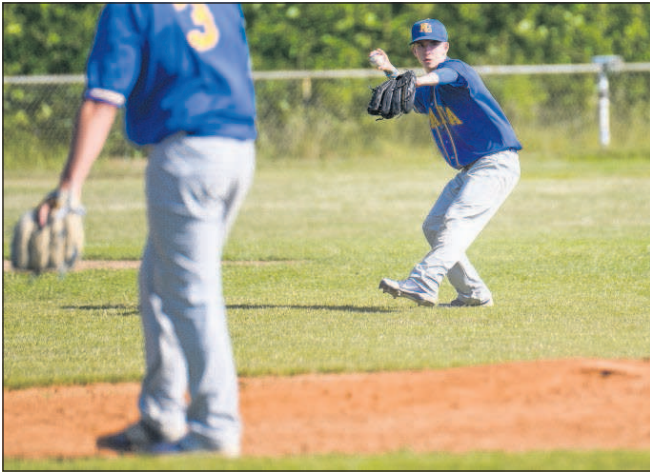
Dale Takalo played all of Game 2, after missing most of Game 1. He had an RBI triple in the second inning, and scored twice in Knappa's 13-run inning.

"Both teams were missing some kids, so it gave us both an opportunity to see what some others could do," said Warrenton coach Lennie Wolfe.

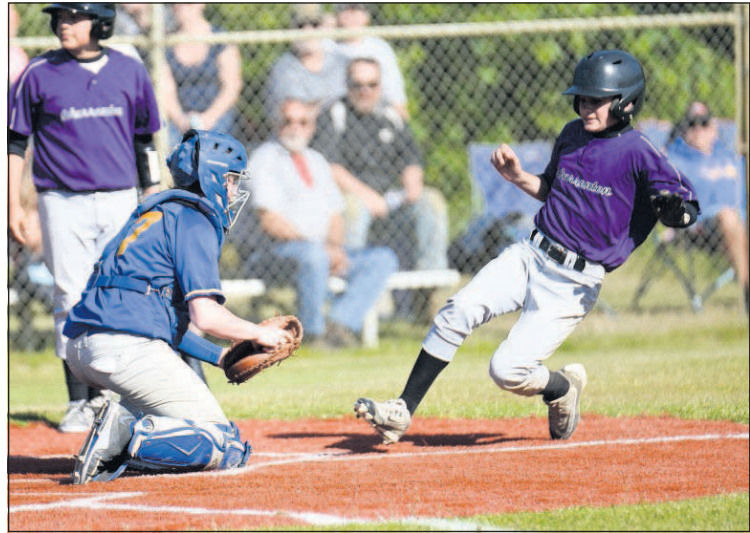
"And I was happy with the Warrenton kids. We ran the bases well and we were aggressive in Game 1.



Photos by Danny Miller/The Daily Astorian  
Warrenton's Kaleo'o Kapua slides into second as Knappa's Mason Hoover prepares to field the ball in Junior State Baseball on Tuesday at Warrenton High School. Warrenton defeated Knappa 7-6 in the first game of the doubleheader. Knappa bounced back 23-2 in the second game.



Knappa's Shaun Lackey makes a throw to first as Warrenton faces off against Knappa in Junior State Baseball on Tuesday at Warrenton High School.



Warrenton's Ethan Holthusen slides into home as Knappa's Quentin Pinkstaff prepares to tag him out Tuesday at Warrenton High School. More photos online at [DailyAstorian.com](http://DailyAstorian.com)



Knappa's Michal Goodman delivers a pitch as Warrenton faces off against Knappa in Junior State Baseball on Tuesday at Warrenton High School.

## SCOREBOARD

### SPORTS SCHEDULE

#### TODAY

Junior State Baseball — Astoria Ford at Neah-Kah-Nie, 6 p.m.

#### THURSDAY

Junior State Baseball — Seaside at Warrenton (2), 4 p.m.

#### FRIDAY

Junior State Baseball — Knappa at Clatskanie (2), 3 p.m.

We didn't have many hits (three), but we did have some timely ones.

"And our loaner (Tapio) did a nice job for us," Wolfe said. "It's nice to have Zac, who we need when we're

playing four or five games a week in the summer, or six games in six days in this case."

Warrenton hosts a doubleheader with Seaside (4 p.m.) Thursday.



Warrenton's Zac Tapio delivers a pitch against Knappa in Junior State Baseball on Tuesday at Warrenton High School in Warrenton.

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