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Athletes of the Week

(FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 27-APRIL 1)



KENZ RAMSEY
 Warrenton



KYLE STRANGE
 Astoria

The Lady Warriors were the only team to go 3-0 in last week's Seaside Spring Break Tournament at Broadway Field, where a couple of Warrenton freshmen wreaked havoc on opposing pitching. In back-to-back wins over 4A teams Cottage Grove (15-0) and Astoria (11-0), Kenz Ramsey was a combined 4-for-7 at the plate, with six RBIs. She had two triples in the victory over the Lions. For the tournament, Warrenton's No. 9 hitter had five hits and seven RBIs. Freshman teammate Natalie Duncan was a combined 5-for-6 with three RBIs and five runs scored in wins over Cottage Grove and Astoria, with two doubles against the Fishermen.

The Fishermen had three wins in three days vs. South Umpqua (13-3), Madison (4-2) and Yamhill-Carlton (20-3), with Strange leading Astoria's offensive attack. He began the week by going 2-for-3 with three RBIs, three runs scored and a triple against South Umpqua; went 1-for-2 with a run scored vs. Madison; and finished with a 3-for-3 effort against Yamhill-Carlton, with four RBIs, three runs scored, two steals, a double and a walk. After overcoming a severe leg injury during the football season, Strange currently leads Astoria with a .650 batting average, with team highs in RBIs (10), runs scored (11) and on-base percentage (.741).

SCOREBOARD

PREP SCHEDULE

TODAY

Baseball — Knappa at Clatskanie, 4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Baseball — Scappoose at Astoria, 5 p.m.; Valley Catholic at Seaside, 5 p.m.

Softball — Astoria at Clatskanie, 4:30 p.m.

Track — Astoria at Banks, 3:30 p.m.; Seaside/Scappoose at Tillamook, 3:30 p.m.; Lewis & Clark League Preview, at Riverdale, 3:30 p.m.

Boys Golf — Seaside at Astoria, 2 p.m.

Girls Golf — Seaside at Valley Catholic, Noon

FRIDAY

Baseball — Woodland (WA) at Seaside, 5 p.m.; Tillamook at Warrenton, 4 p.m.

SATURDAY

Track — Daily Astorian Invitational, at Seaside, 10 a.m.

Baseball — Warrenton at Monroe (2), Noon; Knappa at Taft, 2 p.m.

Softball — Knappa at Taft, 2 p.m.

BASEBALL

Astoria 4, Scappoose 2

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Scappoose 000 101 0-2 2 1

Arnsdorf, Fremstad (6) and Gohl; Travis, Searle (6), Toman (7), Margheim (7) and Gill. **W:** Arnsdorf. **L:** Travis. **S:** Fremstad. **RBI:** Ast, Matthews, O'Brien, Englund; Sca, Holmason 2. **2B:** Sca, Holmason. **HBP:** Ast, Tuimato 2. **LOB:** Astoria 10, Scappoose 3.

Lynch visits Raiders amid talk of comeback

By **JOSH DUBOW**
Associated Press

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Retired running back Marshawn Lynch visited the Oakland Raiders on Wednesday as he decides whether to come back to the NFL and the team decides whether it wants to acquire the hometown favorite.

A person familiar with the visit says Lynch came to the facility to meet with Raiders officials. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the visit wasn't announced by the team. The visit was first reported by recently retired Indi-

anapolis punter Pat McAfee, who now writes for Barstool Sports.

Seahawks general manager John Schneider told a Seattle radio station that he has discussed a deal to send Lynch to Oakland with Raiders general manager Reggie McKenzie in case Lynch does come out of retirement.

"We've had dialogue about it," Schneider told KIRO-AM. "Marshawn is trying to figure things out, the Raiders are trying to figure things out. My understanding is that if he would want to come back and play that it would be for the Raiders and

that would be it."

Lynch retired following the 2015 season. The Seahawks still hold his rights but would be unlikely to want to pay his \$9 million for this year if he decides to comeback. Schneider says he doesn't anticipate any difficulties trading Lynch to Oakland because of his long history with McKenzie, who worked with him for years in Green Bay.

"I think it's one that will go in a smooth manner because of our relationship," Schneider told the station.

The Raiders have a need for a power running back after losing Latavius Murray in free agency.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

US women's soccer team gets new deal

Associated Press

The U.S. women's national team believes its new contract is both fair and good for the future of the sport.

The U.S. Soccer Federation and the team's union announced Wednesday that a labor deal had been struck to settle an at times contentious dispute in which the players sought equitable wages to their male counterparts.

The collective bargaining agreement runs through 2021, meaning the players will be under contract through the 2019 World Cup in France and the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

The women will receive raises in base pay and bonuses as well as better provisions for travel.

Blue Jays' track and field looking strong

By **GARY HENLEY**
The Daily Astorian

Time to get familiar with the Jewell track team.

Because for the most part, this year's Jewell track team will look much the same as next year's team.

Of the 20 athletes who have competed the first month of the 2017 season, the Blue Jays have just one senior on the roster, with six juniors, six sophomores and seven freshmen.

And don't be fooled by Jewell's youth — head coach Joe Kaczenski has some legitimate, proven talent back for a big season of Blue Jay track and field.

The Jewell boys were serious title contenders in the Casco/Valley 10 League a year ago, finishing third in the district meet behind South-

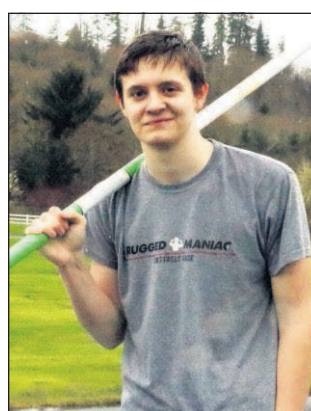
west Christian and Damascus Christian.

Jewell placed fifth on the girls' side, behind Damascus Christian, Perrydale, St. Stephen's Academy and Southwest Christian.

The Jewell boys will no doubt get most of their points from senior Sean Hinson and junior Ben Stahly, coming off tremendous 2016 seasons.

Stahly finished fourth in the district 100 meters, fourth in the 200 meters, sixth in the high jump, and ran the anchor leg for the 400-meter relay squad, teaming with Trystan Silva, Hinson and Dallas Ritchie to finish second behind St. Stephen's.

Thomas Meehan is another strong junior, fresh off a fourth place finish in last year's 800-meter final at districts, where he added a fifth-place showing



Photos by Don Anderson/For The Daily Astorian

LEFT: Distance runners are used to the wet and Jewell sophomore Daniel Kuhnly had plenty of that at practice Wednesday. **MIDDLE:** Tall and fast, Jewell sophomore Jacob Lilley is built for the pole vault event. Wednesday he practiced sprints with the pole. **RIGHT:** Jewell freshman Aspen Searls works on sprints during a typically rainy track practice Wednesday.

in the 3,000-meters; and sophomore Jacob Lilley is hoping to climb the ranks in the Casco's hurdle events.

Hinson is the lone Jewell senior, and should be strong

again in the throws after taking second in league and qualifying for state in both the discus and javelin, placing seventh in the discus.

Other athletes on the boys

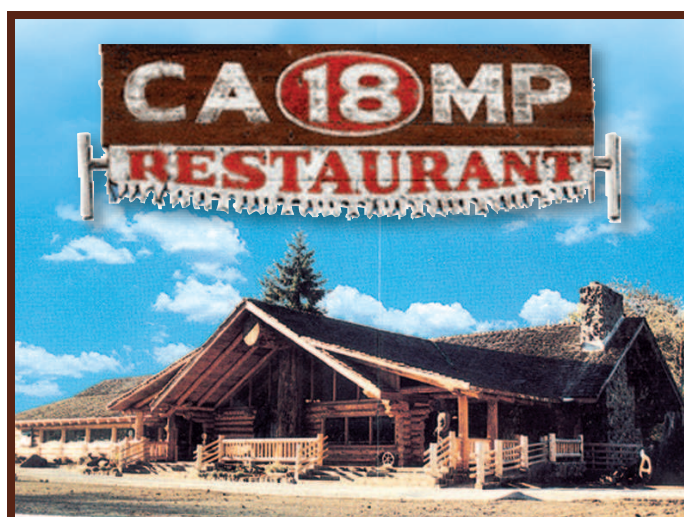
team include junior Zac Hanner, sophomores Daniel Kuhnly and Justice Menuey, and freshmen Carson Littlepage, William MacNicoll and Chase Swearingen.

The Lady Blue Jays — with no seniors — have a talented junior class returning, with Emma Guillen, Gabi Morales and Emma Sadtler; an equally promising sophomore group that includes Lily Kaczenski, Sophie Olvera and Cheyenne Stapleton; and freshmen Amber DeWees, Patience Gonzalez, Nedi Morales and Aspen Searls.

Gabi Morales is the league's defending champion in the 300-meter hurdles (taking seventh at state), and she also placed second in league and qualified for state in the 100-meter hurdles.

She also qualified for state in the high jump, clearing 4-foot-4 for second in the district meet.

Look for Kaczenski to add points in the javelin and the triple jump, where she fifth in league last year as a freshman.



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