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Warriors cruise, 23-2 over Royals

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PORTLAND — The Warrenton Lady Warriors scored 11 runs in their first at-bat, on their way to an easy 23-2 win at Portland Christian Tuesday in Lewis & Clark League softball action.

Landree Miethe had five of Warrenton's 14 hits, to go with two doubles, four RBIs and four runs scored.

Rachel Dyer had two hits and drove in five, Niqui Blodgett and Melia Kapua scored three runs apiece, and Blodgett had another easy game in the circle, pitching a complete-game two-hitter, with nine strikeouts and three walks.

The Warriors also drew 12 walks and two hit batters, as they improve to 9-3 overall, while the Royals drop to 0-8.

Loggers cage the 'Cats, 16-4

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CLOVERDALE — Another blowout victory for the Knappa softball team Tuesday, as the Lady Loggers pounded their way past Nestucca, 16-4, in Northwest League action at Cloverdale.

The Loggers have won their last four games (all against league competition) by a combined 61-22.

Knappa freshman pitcher Madelynn Weaver allowed just two hits, with 10 strikeouts and one walk. All four Nestucca runs were unearned.

Offensively, Jaden Miethe was 3-for-5 with a double and three RBIs; Kaitlyn Truax was 1-for-1 with a two-run homer, and walked four times; and Weaver was 2-for-5 with a three-run home run.

Knappa (4-0 in league) hosts the winless Bobcats (0-6) for a doubleheader Friday.

SCOREBOARD

PREP SCHEDULE

TODAY

Baseball — Astoria at Valley Catholic, 4 p.m.; Tillamook at Seaside, 5 p.m.

JV Baseball — Knappa at Astoria (CMH Field), 4 p.m.

Track — Astoria/Tillamook at Seaside, 3:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Baseball — Tillamook at Astoria, 5 p.m.; Banks at Seaside, 5 p.m.; Ilwaco at North Beach, 4 p.m.

Softball — Valley Catholic at Astoria, 4 p.m.

Track — Warrenton at SW Christian Invitational, 4 p.m.; NWL Meet at Knappa, 3:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Fishermen 3, Gulls 2

Astoria 000 003 0—3 4 2

Seaside 000 001 1—2 4 2

WP: McKailyn Rogers (7 Ks, 3 walks). LP: Jetta Ideue (11 Ks, 2 walks). RBI: Ast, Norris. 2B: Ast, Hougham, Norris; Sea, Shand. 3B: Sea, Goin. HBP: Ast, O'Brien, Danen. LOB: Astoria 5, Seaside 5. DP: Seaside.

Warriors 23, Royals 2

Warrenton (11)70 50—23 14 1

P.Christian 000 11—2 2 3

WP: Niqui Blodgett (9 Ks, 3 walks). LP: Ernst (0 Ks, 7 walks). RBI: War, Dyer 5, Miethe 4, Duncan 3, Bussert 3, Little, Blodgett, Kapua, Ramsey, Bue, May; PC, Ernst. 2B: War, Miethe 2, Blodgett; PC, Vesa.

BASEBALL

Fishermen 11, Cheesemakers 0

Astoria 240 50—11 12 1

Tillamook 000 00—0 1 2

Englund and Gohl; Witthoft, Richardson (4). W: Englund. L: Witthoft. RBI: Ast, Gohl 3, Fremstad 2, Lucore 2, Strange, Hageman, Wallace. 2B: Ast, Fremstad 2. HBP: Arnsdorf 2, Strange, Wallace. LOB: Astoria 11, Tillamook 2.

Braves 8, Gulls 7

Seaside 104 000 2—7 6 1

Banks 020 202 2—8 12 1

Plampin, Walsh (7); Applegate, Gobel (3). W: Gobel. L: Plampin. RBI: Sea, Blanchard 2, Hoekstre 2, Thompson 2; Banks, Partain 2, Taylor 2, Thiessen, Vandehey, Evans. 2B: Sea, Hoekstre, Thompson; Banks, McGough, Thiessen, Taylor. HR: Banks, Partain. HBP: Banks, Thiessen. LOB: Seaside 5, Banks 7.

Royals 7, Warriors 1

Warrenton 000 100 0—1 5 1

P.Christian 001 600 x—7 8 0

Morrow, Breitmeyer (5) and Morrow, Breitmeyer (5); Duckett and Wright. W: Duckett. L: Morrow. RBI: War, Breitmeyer; PC, Duckett 3, Chinchilla, Clark. 2B: PC, Perry 2, Duckett. HR: PC, Duckett. HBP: War, Morrow; PC, Wright, Dailey, Clark.



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Astoria's Caitlyn Hougham starts to lead off of second base as Seaside pitcher Jetta Ideue releases a pitch during Tuesday's game. More photos available online at DailyAstorian.com/sports

CLATSOP CLASH

Astoria wins a wild one

By GARY HENLEY

The Daily Astorian

SEASIDE — It wasn't your ordinary 3-2 game Tuesday at Broadway Field, where Seaside hosted Astoria in the first Clatsop Clash softball meeting of the 2017 season.

For starters — because of injuries and some additional school disciplinary action — the Lady Fishermen only had eight eligible players.

And while Seaside pitcher Jetta Ideue tossed a great game, the Gulls gave up an avoidable run in the top of the sixth inning, which proved to be the difference in a 3-2 Astoria victory.

"Pretty entertaining for a Clatsop Clash," said Astoria coach Kent Israel Jr. "Jetta pitched a great game. McKailyn (Rogers) pitched well for us and we played pretty good defensively — we just couldn't hit the ball."

Ideue gave up four hits, with 11 strikeouts and two walks, while Rogers allowed two hits in six innings of work, with seven strikeouts and three walks, before Julia Norris took over in the seventh.

The Lady Fishermen scored all

three of their runs in the top of the sixth.

Hailey Ranta reached on an infield error and later stole second, with the throw getting past the shortstop and also the center fielder, allowing Ranta to score all the way from first.

Abi Danen followed with a single, Rogers drew a walk, and Norris belted a line drive to deep center, with the ball hopping over the fence for a ground-rule double, scoring Danen.

After a second out, the Gulls could have easily recorded the third out by simply walking Astoria's No. 8 hitter, Brooklynn Hankwitz.

(With just eight players in the lineup, Astoria's No. 9 slot was an automatic out.)

Had the Gulls intentionally walked Hankwitz with first base open, the inning would have been over, with the No. 9 slot representing the third out.

But Seaside pitched to Hankwitz, and Astoria got lucky, as a wild pitch scored Rogers with the third run.

"That's just an odd situation for a coach to be in, because it rarely happens," Israel said.

Defensively, the Fishermen paid the price with just two outfielders, as a fourth-inning single up the middle by Seaside's Alyssa Goin went all the way to the fence, resulting in a triple.

But the Gulls were unable to score in the inning, just as Astoria was unable to score in the top of the fourth, when the Fishermen had runners at second and third, with no outs.

Seaside still had a chance in the bottom of the seventh, when freshmen Ruby Davis and Emma Meyer had back-to-back singles with one out.

Freshman Jessica Angulo-Joli followed with an infield hit that turned into an error, scoring Davis, but Meyer — representing the tying run — was eventually tagged out by Astoria catcher Caitlyn Hougham in a rundown between third and home, ending the game.

Having just eight fielders "hurt us twice," Israel said, "on (Goin's) triple, and another time on a fly ball that normally would have been caught."

Astoria will be back at full strength Thursday, when the Fishermen host Valley Catholic, 4 p.m. at CMH Field.

Scappoose Indians defeat Gull golfers

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BANKS — Scappoose golfer Nathan Mapes shot a 1-over par 37 on the front nine Tuesday, on his way to a 77 to take medalist honors in a dual meet win over Seaside at Quail Valley Golf Course.

The Indians finished with a 324 to Seaside's 355, in a battle between the two teams that have won the last 13 Cowapa League boys golf titles.

For the first time this season, the Gulls had three players in the 80s. Jackson Kunde led Seaside with an 85 (44-41), followed closely by Samson Sibony (88) and Mason Shamion (89). Connor Merrell added a 93 and Colby Lupfer shot 101 for Seaside.

"It was great to see three kids in the 80s today," said Seaside coach Jim Poetsch, "Mason has done it twice in a row now and Samson has done it two of the last three matches.

A few weeks ago neither had ever done it.

"Those two had our only birdies of the day," with Shamion chipping in on the eighth and Sibony on the par-5 10th.

"After struggling a little on the front, Jackson was able to stay with Mapes on the back nine," Poetsch said. "Mapes is one of the top two players in our league right now, so that should give Jackson some confidence heading into the stretch run of our season. While we didn't post a team low today for the first time, I see signs of our hard work starting to pay off. We didn't strike the ball particularly well, but we made some great shots around the greens and that is how you shoot lower scores."

The Gulls host the 11-team Seaside Invitational at Gearhart Golf Links Monday.

Girls Golf

Scappoose wins Invite

BANKS — Astoria, Scappoose, Tillamook and Valley Catholic showed up Monday for the Banks Invitational girls golf tournament at Quail Valley.

Banks was the host school, although the Braves do not have a girls golf team this year.

Using a modified Stableford scoring system, Scappoose was the team winner with 237 points, followed by Astoria with a 220.

The Lady Fishermen had five players scoring over the nine-hole event, led by Sam Hemsley's 54.

Jenna Travers and Sadie Wooldrige both finished at 60, followed by Sarah Lertora (63) and Kristen Travers (66).

Morgan Hall of Scappoose was the top golfer, with a 47.

Duckett K's 12 in win over Warriors

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PORTLAND — Portland Christian snapped a 1-1 tie with six runs in the bottom of the fourth inning Tuesday, in a 7-1 win over Warrenton in a Lewis & Clark League baseball game.

The Royals' Bailey Duckett highlighted the big inning with a three-run home run, while Kale'o Kapua had two of Warrenton's five hits off Duckett, who pitched a complete game with 12 strikeouts

and no walks.

"We're taking too many good pitches, and swinging at a few too many bad ones," said Warrenton coach Lennie Wolfe. "That can be said of any team that strikes out 12 times.

"That being said, we're still playing well," he said. "We only had one error on defense, which didn't cost us, and Jake (Morrow) pitched a nice game. We just have to start hitting the ball."

Braves baseball outlast Gulls, 8-7

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BANKS — "The best way I can describe it, it was a like a heavyweight fight that went the distance," said Seaside coach Joel Dierickx, following his team's 8-7 loss at Banks Tuesday night.

The game was highlighted by five lead changes, with the final lead change coming in the bottom of the seventh on a walk-off single by Hayden Vandehey of Banks with the bases loaded.

Seaside held a 1-0 lead after one inning; the Braves scored twice in the second to take a brief lead, before the Gulls scored four in the top of the third; and Banks scored two in the fourth and two more in the sixth to go in front, 6-5.

Not to be outdone, Seaside scored twice in the top of the seventh to take a

7-6 advantage.

But with one out in the bottom of the seventh, the Braves rallied with a hit batter, followed by a second out, then a single, a walk, an intentional walk to load the bases, and Vandehey's game-winning single to left, scoring Jared Evans.

Seaside starter Scotty Plampin threw a solid six innings, allowing 10 hits with four strikeouts and two walks before giving way to Brent Walsh in the seventh.

The Gulls had six hits off two Banks' pitchers, including two hits and three RBIs by Duncan Thompson, with a double. Otto Hoekstre added a double and drove in two runs, and Dawson Blanchard also had two RBIs for Seaside, while the Braves had a home run by Gunnar Partain, and doubles by Casey McGough, Trevor Thiessen and Kylan Taylor.

Astoria's Englund tosses shutout

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TILLAMOOK — The Astoria baseball team opened a stretch of three games in three days the best way possible Tuesday — a five-inning, 11-0 shutout at Tillamook.

Astoria starter Olaf Englund finished off the Cheesemakers with just 55 pitches, striking out seven with no walks and just one hit allowed.

The Fishermen had all the runs they would need with two in the top of the first. They tacked on four runs in the second and five in the fourth.

Eight different Astoria players had hits. Jasyn Gohl topped the list, going 3-for-4 with three RBIs. Fridtjof Fremstad was 2-for-2, with two doubles, two RBIs and two runs scored.

Kyle Strange also scored twice, as did Englund and Tristin Wallace.

The No. 8-ranked Fishermen are 4-0 atop the Cowapa League standings, and play a makeup game today at Valley Catholic (3-1), followed by a single game Thursday at home vs. Tillamook (0-4).

Nestucca upsets Knappa

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CLOVERDALE — The Upset Special of the Day in Oregon high school baseball took place Tuesday in Cloverdale, where Nestucca scored a 2-1 win over visiting Knappa in a Northwest League contest.

It was only the third loss in the last 82 league games for the Loggers, now 79-3 in league over the last four years. Knappa lost to the Bobcats last year, as well.

"It was a great high school baseball game," said Knappa coach Jeff Miller, following a game that lasted just over one hour. "Their first two batters of the game were a walk and a bunt single, followed by a base hit and a sacrifice.

"They had their two runs, and did nothing the rest of the game," he said. "But we didn't do anything, either. (The Bobcats) played flawless defense. We only struck out once, but we were just hitting it right at 'em."

Nestucca pitcher Wyatt Link went the distance, allowing just two hits — a double by Reuben Cruz off the top of the fence in the fourth inning, followed by a run-scoring single by Dale Takalo. Link threw 83 pitches.

Takalo and Mason Hoover combined on a four-hitter for the Loggers, who will look to avenge Tuesday's loss in a doubleheader vs. Nestucca Friday at Knappa.