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Athletes of the Week



GABI MORALES
 Jewell

In Jewell's first home track meet in over 20 years on Saturday, Morales had the first win of the day for the Blue Jays, running the 100-meter hurdles in 17.57 seconds. Later, she won the 300-meter hurdles in a personal-best time 49.04. And for good measure, the senior cleared a career-best 4-9 for second in the high jump, and also had a PR of 14-3¼ for sixth in the long jump.



THOMAS MEEHAN
 Jewell

The senior Blue Jay won the 3,000 meters in the Jewell Invitational last Saturday in a season-best 10:28.20, finishing ahead of 10 other runners. He also had the second-best time (4:45.80) out of 23 entrants in the 1,500. Meehan had a personal record throw in the javelin, a toss of 110 feet, 5 inches.

Warrenton topples Colton in 12-2 win

The Daily Astorian

WARRENTON — Warrenton took a break from league play by hosting Colton for a nonleague contest Wednesday at Huddleston Field.

And the Warriors were "efficient," said coach Lennie Wolfe, in a 12-2, five-inning win over the Vikings for Warrenton's fourth straight win.

Warrenton's first seven batters in the bottom of the first inning drew walks, as the Warriors built a 7-0 lead through two innings.

Warrenton pitchers Austin Little, Duane Falls and Gabe Breitmeyer did the rest, scattering six hits and throwing just 59 pitches combined.

At the plate, Alec Herrera, Jacob Morrow, Little and Breitmeyer all had two hits apiece, while Little, Devin Jackson, Dalton Knight and Herrera drove in two runs each.

The Warriors return to non-league play today at Vernonia.

SCOREBOARD

PREP SPORTS SCHEDULE

TODAY

Baseball — Warrenton at Vernonia, 4:30 p.m.

Softball — Warrenton at Vernonia, 4:30 p.m.

Girls Golf — Seaside at Astoria, Noon

FRIDAY

Baseball — Astoria at Banks, 5 p.m.; Seaside at Scappoose, 5 p.m.; Knappa at Nestucca (2), 3 p.m.

Softball — Banks at Astoria, 5 p.m.; Scappoose at Seaside, 5 p.m.; Knappa at Nestucca (2), 3 p.m.

SATURDAY

Track — Dick Baker Invitational, Gladstone, 11 a.m.

BASEBALL

Seaside 7, Astoria 3
 Seaside 021 130 0-7 11 2
 Astoria 002 000 1-3 5 3

Johnson, Thompson (7) and Teubner; Rush, Junes (5), Matthews (6), Reed (7) and Hillard. W: Johnson. L: Rush. RBI: Sea, Thompson 3, Westerholm 2, McFadden; Ast, Hirsch 2, Matthews. 2B: Sea, Westerholm 2, Teubner, Thompson. HBP: Sea, Blanchard 2, Teubner, Boyd, Jantes; Ast, Hirsch, Hageman. LOB: Seaside 13, Astoria 8. DP: Seaside 2.

Warrenton 12, Colton 2
 Colton 002 00-2 6 2
 Warrenton 341 04-12 11 2

Reed, Tiano (2), Bramblett (5) and Tiano, Hagler (2); Little, Falls (3), Breitmeyer (5) and Morrow. W: Little. L: Reed. RBI: War, Little 2, Jackson 2, Knight 2, Herrera 2. 2B: Col, Hall 2, Reed, Tiano; War, Morrow, Herrera.

CLATSOP CLASHES

Seaside beats Astoria, ends long losing skid

By **GARY HENLEY**
The Daily Astorian

Seaside fans were on the edge of their seat in the bottom of the seventh ... but the Gulls somehow got through it, and at 7:14 p.m., April 25, 2018, the Seaside baseball team finally brought a 12-year, 35-game Clatsop Clash losing streak to an end.

The Gulls jumped out to an early lead over Astoria at Tapiola Park, then held on for a 7-3 win over the Fishermen, snapping a very long dry spell in the Clash.

Seaside's last victory over the Fishermen came at Tapiola Park on April 13, 2006 — or, Jordan Poyer's freshman season.

But for coach Joel Dierickx and the Seaside players, it was just a much-needed win.

"That (losing streak) is not even a part of them," Dierickx said of his players, many of whom were not even in school the last time Seaside defeated Astoria in a Cowapa League game. "Those things aren't about us. It was just a really great way to bounce back after Monday's (11-2) loss. The kids were really disappointed with the way we played in that one."

The Gulls made a few adjustments ("nothing major," Dierickx said) and collected 11 hits in Wednesday's win.

Payton Westerholm had four of the hits, two singles and two doubles. He also drove in two runs and scored twice.

Astoria cruises past Seaside

The Daily Astorian

SEASIDE — The Astoria softball team was pounding out the hits Wednesday at Broadway Field, where the Lady Fishermen scored a 15-4 win over Seaside in Clatsop Clash action.

McKailyn Rogers tossed a five-inning game in the circle, while Kayla Helligso had two doubles at the plate. Brooklyn Hankwitz and Lexxis Lyngstad also each had a double for Astoria, which hosts Banks for a big Cowapa League showdown Friday.

In the field, Seaside turned a 4-6-3 double play to end the fourth inning, and an even bigger 8-4-5 double play in the bottom of the seventh.

Trailing 7-2 to start the inning, Astoria loaded the bases with no outs.

A fly ball to center from Josiah Hirsch scored Trey Hageman from third, but the Astoria runner at second was thrown out at third after tagging.

"That showed how much one play can turn things," Dierickx said. "That was a big second out, and really stalled things for Astoria."

Brayden Johnson started on the mound for the Gulls and pitched into the seventh inning.

Astoria's second batter of the inning, Burke Matthews, sent a line drive right back to Johnson, who was hit on the arm and had to leave the game.

Johnson scattered five hits with four strikeouts and four walks, and was replaced by Duncan Thompson, who closed out the win.

"Brayden threw a fantastic game," said Dierickx, whose team improves to 3-5, 6-9 overall.

At the plate, Thompson had a single and a double, and drove in three runs — including a huge two-run single with two outs in the top of the fifth.

Other than that, the Gulls stranded 13 baserunners. They left two runners on base in each of the first four innings.

Alex Teubner also had a single and a double for the Gulls, and Gage McFadden had two singles. Four Astoria pitchers combined for seven strikeouts and just three walks, but hit five batters, including Dawson Blanchard twice.

Hageman and Matthews had two hits apiece for the Fishermen, who fall one game behind Banks in the league standings. The Braves and Fishermen will play each other Friday and Monday.

Astoria has played just two league games this season at Tapiola Park, both losses.



AP Photo/Charles Rex Arbogast
 Seattle Mariners' Daniel Vogelbach, left, greets Mike Zunino at home after Zunino's home run.

Zunino's homers push Mariners past White Sox

By **ANDREW SELIGMAN**
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Mike Zunino knew the ball hit the sweet spot. He just wasn't sure at first if it would clear the wall.

Zunino homered and scored twice to back Felix Hernandez in the Seattle Mariners' 4-3 victory over the Chicago White Sox on Wednesday.

Chicago's Yoan Moncada hit his first career leadoff homer. But at 5-16, the White Sox are off to their worst start since 1950.

Zunino doubled and scored in a two-run third and gave the Mariners a 4-3 lead with an opposite-field, solo drive to right against James Shields in the sixth.

"The rhythm, the timing's, the biggest thing and that's what's gonna come," Zunino said. "Obviously, that's where I'm trying to drive those fastballs. It's tough on a day like today when you have Shields (who) can mix it up so well, add that really slow curveball and was able to locate it just below the zone. But I was just able to try to battle, get in a good count and get a good pitch to hit."

Nelson Cruz added three hits, including two RBI singles.

Hernandez (3-2) settled down after giving up the homer to Moncada and a double by Yolmer Sanchez on his first two pitches. The 2010 AL Cy Young Award winner went six innings, scattering three runs and seven hits while striking out six and walking two.

"After the first inning, I was in better command, making better pitches," Hernandez said. "I had a good curveball, had a good sinker."

James Pazos worked a perfect seventh. Juan Nicasio struck out all three batters in the eighth, and Edwin Diaz tossed a one-two-three ninth for his 10th save in as many chances.

The bullpen also dominated in Tuesday in a 1-0 win, with Marco Gonzales and four relievers combining on a five-hitter.

Astoria Fishermen 'fishermen' in first place

By **WALT POSTLEWAIT**
For The Daily Astorian

Astoria High School is in first place after Leg 1 of the two-leg Oregon State Bass Fishing Tournament.

Anglers Leo Matthews and Michael Postlewait were busy last Saturday on Mercer Lake in Florence, targeting largemouth bass. Astoria holds a 0.30 pound lead over second place Thurston High School and 4.81 pounds over third place Amity High School.

"It was fun, but challenging," Matthews said. "We really had to work hard for everything today."

Conditions seemed favorable as the day began at sunrise, but no teams brought in a full fish limit. "The bite was hot garbage today," exclaimed Postlewait. "It was a grinder."

The teams are judged on the combined total weight of a maximum of five fish. As a team fishes throughout the day, after they reach five fish they keep the bigger fish caught, releasing a smaller fish.

Postlewait missed the big fish honors by a mere 0.10 pounds to Thurston High School's team, which qualified for nationals with their previous results.

The next and final leg will take place May 12 on the Columbia River at The Dalles.

"I'm looking forward to the next leg," Postlewait said. "We haven't had much experience fishing smallmouth bass, but we expect to catch fish and win."



Walt Postlewait/For The Daily Astorian
 Astoria High School students Michael Postlewait, left, and Leo Matthews are in first place in a state fishing competition.