

## SPORTS

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From May 19-20, 2012, Knappa's Nygaard Logging team. From left to right, Austin Dragoo, Reuben Cruz, Quentin Pinkstaff, Logan Flues, coach Nathan Pinkstaff, Dale Takalo, Mason Hoover, Cody Stuhr, Jacob Ford, Braedon Eltagonde, Colton Weirup, Reece Hunt, Timber Engblom and coach Brett Hunt.

## Knappa seniors to play final home game

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**N**ine seniors will officially play their final home baseball game Tuesday afternoon at Teevin Field, where the Knappa Loggers host the Kennedy Trojans in a Class 2A/1A semifinal, with a trip to the state championship on the line.

For those seniors who played as fresh-

### UP NEXT: 2A/1A SEMIFINAL

- Kennedy Trojans at Knappa Loggers
- Today, 4:30 p.m.

men, Knappa's four-year record stands at 93 wins, five losses. Going back to last season, the Loggers' current win streak is 36 in

a row.

But Knappa's seniors were winning long before they got to the high school level.

In a Cal Ripken Majors tournament, May 19-20, 2012, Knappa's Nygaard Logging team — which included eight of the current nine seniors — posed for a team photo following their tournament championship.

## SPORTS IN BRIEF

### Warriors reach 4th straight NBA Finals with win over Houston

HOUSTON — Stephen Curry and Golden State turned all those Houston bricks into a road back to the NBA Finals.

Needing not only all their firepower but also 27 straight misses by the Rockets during an epic cold streak from 3-point range, the Warriors rallied to keep alive their hopes for a repeat.

Kevin Durant scored 34 points, Curry sparked another third-quarter turnaround, and the Warriors earned a fourth straight trip to the NBA Finals by beating the Rockets 101-92 in Game 7 of the Western Conference finals on Monday night.

### Golden Knights outlast Caps 6-4 in Final opener

LAS VEGAS — The Vegas Golden Knights' incredible inaugural season isn't slowing down in the Stanley Cup Final.

Tomas Nosek scored the tie-breaking goal midway through the third period, and the expansion Golden Knights opened an improbable Final with a thrilling 6-4 victory over the Washington Capitals on Monday night.

Marc-Andre Fleury made 24 saves in an occasionally shaky performance, but the three-time Stanley Cup winner's new teammates carried the goalie who has so often carried them with a relentless outburst of offense.

The Eastern Conference champion Capitals hadn't given up this many goals in 29 games since March 18, but they hadn't seen anything like this charmed run by the upstart Knights.

### Mariners again prevail in 1-run game, beating Rangers 2-1

SEATTLE — Marco Gonzales is answering all those preseason questions about his place in Seattle's rotation.

Hard to argue with his results of late.

Gonzales pitched into the seventh inning and did not allow an earned run for a third consecutive start, helping the Mariners top the Texas Rangers 2-1 on Monday.

Seattle won for the ninth time in 10 games and reached 13 games above .500 for the first time since late in the 2014 season.

— Associated Press

## 'Distance Night' at the pre-Prefontaine Classic in Eugene

By NEIL BRANSON  
 For The Daily Astorian

EUGENE — Last Friday night, the pre-Prefontaine Classic was free admission "distance night" at Historic Hayward Field in Eugene.

There was a foursome of races, but it was a different kind of distance that lit up the crowd. A trio of Germans with javelins in hand treated the Pre Classic record like a noxious weed.

In his first throw, Andreas Hofmann sent the spear flying 282 feet, 2 inches, adding 2' 7" to the previous record set in 2001.

Through the second round, no big throws. The third effort by Johannes Vetter had the crowd oohing and awing as they watched it sail.

Eyes on the reader board, then an extra roar from the fans as it showed 293-1. Now the crowd's attention had turned to the pole vault, where Sam Kendricks of the USA was on the runway working to wrest first place from Armand Duplantis, a Swedish citizen just graduated from high school in Louisiana, who, having cleared 18-8 3/4 with no misses, was the leader in the competition.

As the crowd urged him on with rhythmic clapping, Hendricks sped toward and over the crossbar at 19-0 3/4 for the win.

Back at the javelin, the athletes were now into the penultimate of six rounds when Thomas Rohler let



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Thomas Rohler won the javelin competition with a throw of 294 feet, 10 inches.

loose with a throw of 294-10 to be the third man to reset the field and Pre Classic record. The announcer put it mildly when he said "you won't see that kind of javelin completion at many meets." How about "any meets?"

On the track, two women with regional ties delighted the crowd. Alexa Efraimson, a graduate of Camas High School, placed second in the 1,500 with a fine 4:08.70, one second behind winner Dani

Jones, who posted a personal best at 4:07.74. University of Oregon graduate Laura Roesler placed fifth in the 800 at 2:02.68, with the race won by Jamaican Natoya Goule in 2:00.84.

Neil Branson is the former longtime track and cross country coach at Seaside High School.

Sam Kendricks heads up on the way to clearing 19 feet, 3/4 inches to win the pole vault.



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