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Astoria, Knappa and Warrenton pack the park

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It was Clatsop County's "Battle of the League Champions" night at the ballpark Monday, as three teams that either won or tied for league championships last spring met in front of a large crowd at Aiken Field for a three-way doubleheader.

Dane Gouge's Astoria Ford team hosted Knappa and Warrenton to close out the junior state regular season. The same three teams will be in action later this week in the district tournament at Warrenton.

The Knappa Loggers rallied for a 9-8, Game 1 win over Astoria Ford, but they came up short in a 3-0 loss to Warrenton in Game 2.

The district's No. 1 seed in the tournament will be — ironically — none of the above teams. Seaside finished with a 5-0 league record, and will be the No. 1 seed in the weekend tournament.

With Monday's results, Astoria Ford, Knappa and Warrenton all finished with 3-2 league records.

In a three-way coin flip tie-breaker afterwards, Astoria was the odd team out and so received the No. 4 seed in the district tournament. Warrenton's win over Knappa gives the Warriors the No. 2 seed over the third-place Loggers.

Knappa began Monday's action by giving up six runs to Astoria in the first inning of Game 1.

Astoria's Adam Feldman had a leadoff double, which was followed by two errors, a walk and a wild pitch, as the Fishermen built a quick 6-0 lead.

A leadoff double in the second inning by Knappa's Logan Flues led to the first run for the Loggers, who tacked on a run in the third and two in the fourth on a two-run double by Ryson Patterson.

Ryan Stutznegger's RBI single in the top of the sixth scored Feldman and pushed Astoria Ford's lead



Photos by Gary Henley/The Daily Astorian
Astoria's Adam Feldman looks for some help on the call in Monday's first game. Knappa's Devin Hoover was ruled safe on the play.



Astoria's Will Eddy, right, gets a fist bump from coach Ian Erickson after reaching base early in Monday's doubleheader.

to 7-4, but the Loggers stayed on the comeback trail and rallied again in the bottom of the sixth.

Patterson trotted home on a bases-loaded walk, and Mason Westerholm's single up the middle scored two to tie the game at 7-7.

Astoria (the visiting team in Mon-

day's game) had two runners on base in the top of the seventh but failed to score, and the Loggers took advantage in the bottom of the inning.

Knappa's Cameron Miethe drew a one-out walk, and one out later Jaxson Goodman drove a double down the left field line that put runners at

second and third.

And Flues followed with a walk-off hit to center, easily scoring Miethe with the game-winning run.

Flues also picked up the win on the mound, entering the game in the sixth in relief of Goodman.

Warriors top Loggers

Knappa's success at the plate in Game 1 did not carry over into the nightcap, due to a gem of a pitching performance by Warrenton's Dalton Knight.

Knight faced just 24 batters (three over the minimum) in leading the Warriors to their biggest win of the summer, 3-0.

Knight threw 93 pitches over seven innings, and allowed just three hits with 12 strikeouts and no walks.

Teammate Jacob Morrow gave the Warriors all they would need offensively, with a two-run home run in the top of the first inning.

"Dalton certainly threw very well, and Jake took care of the rest," said Warrenton coach Lennie Wolfe. "And I thought Ryson Patterson pitched very well for Knappa (allowing just three hits himself, with 10 strikeouts and four walks).

"Adding that insurance run in the seventh didn't hurt," Wolfe said, as Alec Herrera drew a one-out walk, stole second and scored on Ethan Caldwell's single to center.

In the district tournament later this week, Astoria Ford and Seaside will square off in Game 1 (Saturday, 1 p.m.), followed by Knappa vs. Warrenton in Game 2 (4 p.m.). There will be no admission charged for fans.

All four teams will play again Sunday, with the top two finishers qualifying for the state tournament July 19-22 at Crescent Valley High School. Even if the Fishermen qualify, Astoria will not attend the state tournament due to a prior commitment. Should the Fishermen finish in one of the top two spots, the third-place finisher would take Astoria's spot in the state tournament.

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Warriors add a 5th All-Star in center Cousins

OAKLAND, Calif. — As he has long desired, DeMarcus Cousins will finally get a chance to play for a winner once he's healthy from a torn left Achilles tendon.

When Boogie returns to the court this season, the volatile big man will give the Golden State Warriors five 2018 All-Stars in their starting lineup to chase another title — with Cousins trying for his first after never appearing in the playoffs. The center, who has had his problems with technical fouls, will sign with the two-time defending champions after the moratorium period is lifted Friday, a person with direct knowledge of the deal told The Associated Press on Monday night.

Serena wins at Wimbledon

LONDON — Now that she's "Mrs. Williams," per the Wimbledon chair umpire, now that she's a mother, now that she is back on tour, Serena Williams is ready to rediscover her full complement of shots and full ability to dominate.

"Not only do I expect to win," she said Monday after picking up a victory in her first match at the All England Club in two years, "I expect to win emphatically."

Williams found herself in a bit of a jam against 105th-ranked Arantxa Rus of the Netherlands, down by a break in the second set on a windy afternoon. And then, a five-game run and 25 minutes later, Williams had completed the 7-5, 6-3 result.

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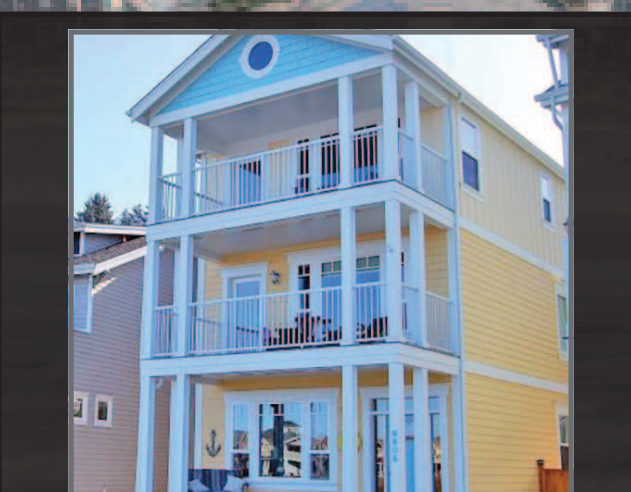
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