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Warrenton players earn all-league honors

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For the seventh straight year, the Coastal Range League (the former Lewis & Clark League) had a team in the Class 3A state championship game.

But after six years of Rainier reaching the title game, it was Clatskanie that won the 2019 state championship, with a 10-5 victory over Dayton.

For their efforts, the Tigers swept the all-league awards, with the Player of the Year (sophomore Shelby Blodgett) and Coach of the Year (Kevin Sprague) awards, while nine Clatskanie players — one senior, two juniors and six sophomores — were selected all-league.

Three of state's top six teams in 3A softball (Clatskanie, Rainier and Taft) came from the Coastal Range League, while fourth-place Warrenton finished 16th in the final state rankings.

The Warriors also had four players on the all-league squad, led by junior Kenzie Ramsey and freshman Avyree Miethe on the first team.

Senior Dani Bue was a second-team selection, and junior Jade Freniere was named honorable mention.



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Warrenton center fielder Kenzie Ramsey was selected first team all-league for the 2019 season.

COASTAL RANGE ALL-LEAGUE SOFTBALL

Player of the Year: Shelby Blodgett, Clatskanie
Coach of the Year: Kevin Sprague, Clatskanie

First team

Shelby Blodgett, So., Clatskanie
 Emma Coulter, Jr., Taft
 Hailee Danneker, Jr., Taft
 Trinity Hamm, Jr., Clatskanie
 Maris Jackson, Sr., Clatskanie
 Paige Kellar, Jr., Rainier
 Emmalee Melvin, Fr., Rainier

Avyree Miethe, Fr., Warrenton
Kenzie Ramsey, Jr., Warrenton
 Reese Schimmel, So., Rainier
 Alexis Smith, So., Clatskanie
 Olivia Sprague, So., Clatskanie

Second team

Kim Brusco, Sr., Rainier
Dani Bue, Sr., Warrenton
 Katrina Graham, So., Willamina
 Kyla Howell, Sr., Rainier
 Taryn Hunt, Sr., Willamina
 Taleah King, Sr., Rainier
 Kayla Lininger, So., Taft
 Jayden Makinson, Jr., Clatskanie
 Rylee O'Brien, Sr., Rainier
 Chloe Peterson, Fr., Taft
 Kaity Sizemore, So., Clatskanie
 Clairra Tolan, So., Taft

Honorable mention

Jade Freniere, Jr., Warrenton
 Addie Gates, Fr., Taft
 Kami Harrison, So., Clatskanie
 Sammy Hummer, So., Clatskanie
 Amaryssa Mooney, So., Willamina

Sportsmanship: Taft



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Warrenton freshman Avyree Miethe was selected first team all-league in her first year of high school softball.



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Jordan Poyer talks to young athletes at his 2018 football camp.

Jordan Poyer Football Camp scheduled June 29

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The fifth annual Jordan Poyer Football Camp is scheduled for Saturday, June 29 at CMH Field.

Sponsored by the Van Dusen family, Dane Gouge's Astoria Ford, Cannery Pier Hotel and Holiday Inn Express, the camp is a one-day event for kids entering grades kindergarten through the eighth grade.

A 2009 graduate of Astoria High School, Poyer will be the featured coach, along with members of the Astoria football coaching staff and current

and former Fishermen players.

Cost is free for the athletes, although a minimum \$5 donation is asked for anyone wishing to receive an autograph from Poyer, a former All-American at Oregon State and current defensive back for the Buffalo Bills.

Athletes can register the day of the camp, from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

The camp will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., with instruction including individual techniques of all offensive, defensive and special teams positions, offseason and in-season training, the importance of goal setting, and the

importance of team building.

Athletes should wear cloth shorts and T-shirts, and preferably a rubber-molded pair of shoes (metal cleats are not allowed on CMH Field).

For more information, contact Astoria coach Howard Rub at 503-325-3911, ext. 317, or hrub@astoria.k12.or.us.

All participants will receive an "AYA meal" (burger or hot dog, chip and drink) from Astoria Youth Athletics, and be allowed to take one photo with Poyer. The autograph session will begin at the conclusion of the camp (approximately 2 p.m.).



Jordan Poyer signs an autograph for a fan following his camp in 2016.

Encarnacion hits 400th homer as Mariners blast Angels 9-3

By GREG BEACHAM
Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Edwin Encarnación paused at the plate and watched while his 400th homer flew toward the Mariners' bullpen beyond left field. He pumped his fists as he circled the bases while his teammates went wild for the milestone.

Although Seattle's season has been mostly dismal, Encarnación has done his best to provide something to cheer. His latest power barrage even propelled the Mariners to a rare series win.

Encarnación hit two homers to become the third active player with 400 homers, and Tom Murphy added two more homers in the Mariners' 9-3 victory over the Los Angeles Angels on Sunday.

Encarnación and Daniel Vogelbach hit back-to-back homers in the sixth, and Encarnación added a solo shot in the seventh for his 35th career multihomer game and his second against the Angels this month.



AP Photo/Mark J. Terrill

Edwin Encarnacion hits a solo home run in the sixth inning.

Kyle Seager connected in the ninth for the Mariners' sixth homer, their most in a game since May 12, 2015. Seattle took two of three from Los Angeles for its first series win since mid-May and its first road series victory since mid-April.

But the Mariners were focused

on celebrating Encarnación, who also got his 1,200th career RBI in the process.

"I feel really good that I accomplished this," Encarnación said. "I've been waiting for it for a long time."

While becoming the 56th player in baseball history to hit

400 homers, Encarnación pushed into the AL lead with his 20th homer of the season. Even at 36 years old, Encarnación shows few signs of slowing: His 282 homers since 2012 are the most in the majors.

"What can you say (except) unbelievable," Seattle manager Scott Servais said of the milestone. "There's what, 19,000 guys that have played? Little disappointed nothing showed up on the (scoreboard) here, to be honest. But everybody in our dug-out knew what was going on, how important it was to him. He's been a true professional since we got him. Nothing but happy for him."

Although his name frequently comes up in trade rumors around the struggling Mariners, he's not planning beyond the next game and his next statistical goal, which might be 500 homers.

"We'll see," Encarnación said with a smile. "I'm ready for it, but I don't think about that. I just try to keep winning."

Tommy La Stella hit his 15th homer for the Angels, who have lost five of seven.

After the Mariners' six-homer outburst, Los Angeles' pitching staff has yielded 111 homers in 66 games this season. That's more homers allowed than every team in the majors except Baltimore and Seattle.

Brad Ausmus was ejected for the first time in his tenure as the Angels' manager for arguing about the strike zone of home plate umpire Jeremie Rehak after the third inning, when Mike Trout struck out looking.

"He's just defending the team," Trout said. "Things don't go your way sometimes, and he's trying to fire us up. That's the way things go sometimes."

400 CLUB

The only other active members of the 400-homer club are Miguel Cabrera and Albert Pujols, who remained stuck on 644 homers after going 0 for 4 with two fly-outs to the warning track in center.