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Morrow's grand slam highlights tournament

Knappa tops Astoria

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WARRENTON — Two weeks following a loss in the state championship game of the spring season, the Warrenton baseball program returned to its winning ways over the weekend, going 3-0-1 in a two-day, four-team tournament at Huddleston Field.

The wood bat tournament included four teams with players who all took part in state semifinals in the spring season (Astoria, Warrenton, Knappa and Santiam Christian).

Sunday's action included a 2-2 tie between Santiam Christian and Warrenton (game was stopped after nine innings because of a time limit), and an 11-3 Warrior win over Knappa.

Warrenton also won two games Saturday, with a combined total of just five hits. The Warriors scored a 4-2 victory over Astoria, followed by a 1-0 decision against Santiam Christian.

"As far as the entire weekend goes, given the amount of time that we took off after the championship, we got better as the tournament progressed," said Warrenton coach Lennie Wolfe. "Our pitching depth and defense is really what made the difference."

Especially in the tournament finale, Sunday evening against the Loggers.

Warrenton pitchers Devin Jackson, sophomore-to-be Parker Greenawald and Jake Morrow combined on a two-hitter. The Warriors had eight hits off three Knappa pitchers, and the Loggers struggled defensively with eight errors.

The Warriors led from start to finish, scoring two runs in the first inning on RBI hits from Jake Morrow and Duane Falls.

Knappa's Mark Miller had a double in the top of the second, but teammate Ryson Patterson was thrown out at the plate on the same play on a relay throw from Austin Little.

Warrenton extended its lead to 5-1 after four innings, before the Loggers scored two runs in the top of the fifth, both on hit batters with the bases loaded.

The Warriors tacked on three runs in the bottom of the fifth and three more in the sixth, as Knappa's errors continued to mount.

The Loggers were coming off a narrow win over Dane Gouge's Astoria Ford in Sunday's third game — Knappa's second victory in two days over the Fishermen.

Saturday's action

In Game 1 of the tournament, Astoria Ford pitcher Adam Feldman was two outs away from posting a 2-0, two-hit shutout win over the Warriors, when Morrow belted a walkoff, grand-slam home run to give the Warriors a dramatic 4-2 win.

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While Knappa's Ryson Patterson (on ground) checks the call from home plate umpire Scott Hanna (out), Warrenton catcher Jake Morrow prepares to throw to second base.

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Adam Feldman of Astoria Ford pitched a good game Saturday vs. Warrenton, allowing just three hits, but took the loss.



Tony Tumbarello had two of Astoria Ford's three hits in Saturday's loss to Warrenton.

Locals shine in all-star series

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Four local basketball players officially finished their prep careers Friday and Saturday, in the 47th annual OACA (Oregon Athletic Coaches Association) basketball all-star series.

The all-star games showcase the state's best senior players (all levels) for the 2018-19 season.

And the locals finished in style, as champions.

Seaside players Chase Januik and Payton Westerholm, along with Dalton Knight of Warrenton and Knappa's Timber Engblom, helped the North all-stars win two games and a championship for players from the 4A, 3A and 2A levels.

The North was coached by Seaside's Bill Westerholm.

In the first game, Friday night at Morse Events Center in Eugene, Knight made five 3-pointers and scored a team-high 19 points in a 102-86 win over the South all-stars.

Engblom added 13 points, Januik scored 12 and Westerholm tacked on five points in the win. Ethan Manning of Philomath led the South with 19 points and seven rebounds.

Facing the East all-stars in Saturday's championship game at Wilsonville High School, the North defeated the East 114-95 to win the series championship.

Later in the day, Payton Westerholm took part in Game 1 of the 4A baseball all-star series in Aurora, along with Astoria's Burke Matthews and Will Reed.

Westerholm had a base hit in the bottom of the eighth inning to break a 2-2 tie, and Matthews followed with another run-scoring hit to give their team a 5-2 win.



Photos by Bill Westerholm

ABOVE: Clatsop County's basketball all-stars, left to right: Timber Engblom, Chase Januik, Dalton Knight and Payton Westerholm. **BELOW:** Left to right, Astoria's Will Reed, Seaside's Payton Westerholm and Burke Matthews of Astoria took part in the annual state all-star baseball games in Aurora.



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