

SPORTS

Big rally helps Lower Columbia sweep Roadrunners

The Astorian

The local players were in full swing Wednesday night, helping the Lower Columbia Baseball Club sweep the Northwest Star Academy Roadrunners in a AAA American Legion doubleheader at Ernie Aiken Field.

Playing at their home away from home, the team of high school stars from the lower Columbia region powered their way to a pair of wins, 6-1 and 7-6.

Lower Columbia had to rally from a 6-2 deficit in the bottom of the seventh to win the the nightcap, helping Lower Columbia improve to 18-4 overall for the summer.

After giving up the first run of Game 1, Astoria's Dylan Rush drew a lead-off walk in the bottom of the third, Warrenton's Devin Jackson reached on an error and Rees Hall (Kelso) doubled to left to score Rush with the tying run.

Jackson was eventually forced out at home on an infield hit by Warrenton's Jake Morrow, but Warrior teammate Austin Little gave Lower Columbia the lead for good on an infield single that scored Hall.

Naselle's Ethan Lindstrom followed with a single to bring in Bergquist and Morrow for a 4-1 lead.

Lower Columbia tacked on one in the fifth, as Morrow was hit by a pitch to lead off, took second on a wild pitch, advanced to third on a grounder by Lindstrom, then scored on an error.

Luke Brown (Wahkiakum) scored on a sacrifice fly by Morrow in the sixth.

Clatskanie's Dawson Evenson picked up the win on the mound, allowing just two hits and four walks with nine strikeouts over five innings.

Lindstrom singled in the first run of Game 2, but the Roadrunners were able to build a 3-1 lead in the top of the third inning, and extended it to 6-2 in the fifth.

But Lower Columbia has rallied from deficits all season, and began their latest comeback with a one-out walk to Brown in the bottom of the seventh.

Hall followed with a single, Bergquist was hit by a pitch to load the bases and Morrow fought off a 1-2 count and singled to drive in Brown and Hall to bring Lower Columbia within 6-4.

Lindstrom walked to reload the bases, Rush drew another walk to force in Bergquist and Naselle's Kolten Lindstrom — brought up from Lower Columbia's AA team — drew the third straight walk on four pitches to force in Morrow with the tying run. Kevin Barnett (R.A. Long) then ended the game with a sacrifice fly to left, scoring Ethan Lindstrom with the game-winning run.

Ethan Lindstrom and Little combined on the mound to give up 10 hits with 10 strikeouts and three walks in Game 2, while Roadrunner pitchers Breeler Mann, Nick Laurenza and Hector Infante allowed just five hits with 12 strikeouts, but walked seven and hit two batters.

For the night, Morrow had four hits, drove in four runs and scored three times. Ethan Lindstrom was 3-for-6 with three RBIs.

The Roadrunners dropped to 3-8-2 for the summer. Lower Columbia is scheduled to play the Roadrunners again Monday at Volcanoes Stadium in Keizer before playing three games Tuesday and Wednesday in Bend.



Astoria outfielders Tony Tumbarello and Bo Williams (10) collided on a fly ball against Warrenton. The ball was knocked loose and eventually caught by Tumbarello.

Photos by Gary Henley/The Astorian

Warrenton tops Astoria, 10-2

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It was a “Futures Game” between the Warrenton and Astoria Junior Baseball teams Thursday night at Ernie Aiken Field.

While the Warriors had to bring up a couple seventh graders just to have 11 on the roster, Astoria had over 20 players, but they were all very young for the most part.

In the first game of a triple header at Aiken Field, Warrenton defeated the Fishermen 10-2 in a game eventually stopped by the two-hour time limit.

The Warriors made it a clean sweep on the night, as they went on to defeat Neah-Kah-Nie 15-7. Astoria bounced back in the third game to beat Neah-Kah-Nie 7-2.

Five different players saw action on the mound for Warrenton, and the offense was clicking on all cylinders, racking up 25 runs in just 10 official at-bats.

In the first game of the day, the Warriors wasted no time in jumping on Astoria, scoring four runs in the top of the first inning on just one hit.

Four straight walks forced in the first run, a wild pitch scored Ryan Hoagland and Dylon Atwood had a dou-



Warrenton's Dylan Atwood drives a two-run double to left field in the first inning of Thursday's triple header.

ble to deep left-center field to score Duane Falls and Hordie Bodden Bodden.

After a scoreless second, third and fourth, Warrenton tacked on five runs in the fifth on two hits. Hoagland was hit by a pitch to force in a run, and two more base runners scored on an Astoria error.

Mike Moore and Sven Johnson had hits to score two runs for the Fishermen in the

SCOREBOARD

SPORTS SCHEDULE SATURDAY

Junior Baseball — At Tapiola Park: Warrenton vs. Ilwaco, 12:30 p.m.; Knappa vs. Warrenton, 3 p.m.; Neah-Kah-Nie vs. Knappa, 4:30 p.m.; Tillamook vs. Astoria, 8 p.m.

Wolfe. Against Astoria, “It was basically a JV lineup for both teams. That being said, I thought we were swinging the bat much better, we ran the bases well and we were communicating a lot better on the field.”

Atwood and Falls held Neah-Kah-Nie to just four hits with eight strikeouts.

Fishermen 7, Pirates 2

Astoria rallied from an early 1-0 deficit by scoring three runs in the third inning and four in the fifth, while Karson Hawkins and Tony Tumbarello held Neah-Kah-Nie to four hits, with four strikeouts and no walks.

The Fishermen had four hits and drew six walks with three hit batters. Olson and Tumbarello each had two steals for Astoria, which hosts four games Saturday at Aiken Field.

In other action Thursday, Knappa defeated Ilwaco 15-10.

North Coast Merchants dominate tournament

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Maddie Wilkin tossed a two-hitter over five innings July 19 to lead the North Coast Merchants’ “O’Brien” team (coached by Ian O’Brien) to a 13-4 win over the North Coast Merchants’ “Barendse” squad, in the championship game of the Chimpanzee 14U softball tournament in Dallas.

Wilkin struck out four and gave up a walk, and helped her cause by leading the O’Brien’s offense with three hits, including a double, triple, three runs scored and four runs batted in.

Teammate Taeja Tuimato also had a double and a triple, walked twice, scored four runs and drove in two. Taylor Pass was 2-for-2 at

the plate, was hit by pitch twice and scored two runs.

The O’Brien team trailed 3-1 after one inning, before scoring six runs in the top of the second. They tacked on three in the fourth and three in the fifth, and finished with 10 hits.

The O’Briens began the tournament July 18 with a 12-2 win over the Oregon Cyclones, in which North Coast built a 9-0 lead after two innings.

Wilkin and Pass shut down the Cyclones from the circle, allowing just one hit over four innings, with seven strikeouts and no walks.

London O’Brien and Wilkin were both 2-for-3 at the plate and scored twice, and Jaime Annat had two RBIs and two runs scored.

It was another blowout victory in the second game on July 18, with the Merchants defeating the Newberg Impact, 13-1, in a three-inning contest.

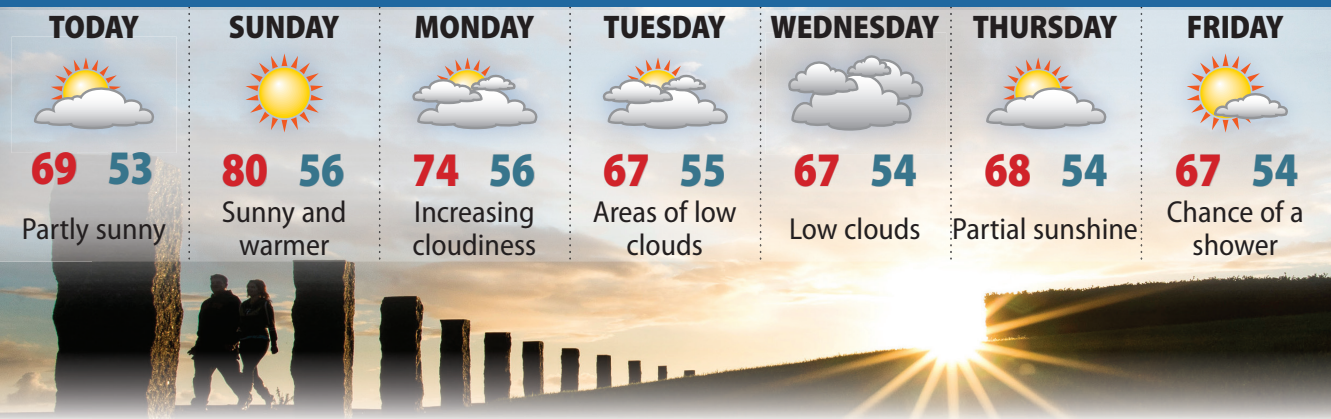
North Coast only had five hits, but took advantage of seven errors by the Impact.

Gabbie Martinez had two of the five hits, with three runs scored.

The closest game of the weekend for the champion North Coast team was a 9-2 win July 19 over the Sherwood Fireballs, in which Wilkin gave up just three hits with seven strikeouts and no walks.

Lily Simpson, Tuimato and Wilkin had two hits apiece. Simpson had a home run, with Tuimato and Wilkin each adding a triple.

SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA



ALMANAC	
Astoria through Thursday	
Temperatures	
High/low	65/57
Normal high/low	68/54
Record high	91 in 1924
Record low	44 in 1977
Precipitation	
Thursday	0.01"
Month to date	0.46"
Normal month to date	0.83"
Year to date	38.45"
Normal year to date	36.99"
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UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Corona Borealis, the northern crown, stands high atop the sky.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	5:50 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:54 p.m.
Moonrise today	11:43 a.m.
Moonset today	11:59 p.m.

First	Full	Last	New
			
July 27	Aug 3	Aug 11	Aug 18

TODAY'S TIDES			
Astoria / Port Docks	Time	High (ft.)	Low (ft.)
5:01 a.m.	7.4	11:39 a.m.	-0.5
6:02 p.m.	7.6	none	
Cape Disappointment	4:35 a.m.	7.3	10:50 a.m. -0.5
5:42 p.m.	7.6	11:30 p.m.	1.6
Hammond	4:47 a.m.	7.8	11:08 a.m. -0.6
5:50 p.m.	7.9	11:47 p.m.	1.4
Warrenton	4:56 a.m.	7.8	11:23 a.m. -0.4
5:57 p.m.	8.0	none	
Knappa	5:38 a.m.	7.7	12:21 a.m. 1.2
6:39 p.m.	7.9	12:40 p.m.	-0.5
Depoe Bay	3:45 a.m.	7.4	10:18 a.m. -0.6
4:55 p.m.	7.7	11:01 p.m.	1.5

NATIONAL CITIES		
City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	90/73/t	91/73/t
Boston	85/71/s	94/75/pc
Chicago	92/74/pc	94/76/t
Dallas	93/76/c	89/73/pc
Denver	90/62/t	83/61/t
Honolulu	88/77/pc	86/76/sh
Houston	87/77/t	84/74/t
Los Angeles	81/61/pc	82/61/pc
Miami	89/78/pc	91/80/t
New York City	88/74/s	94/78/pc
Phoenix	102/86/pc	105/87/pc
San Francisco	74/57/pc	73/56/pc
Wash., DC	90/75/pc	95/77/pc
Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, l-ice.		

