

## Warrenton third at district track meet

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The Warrenton track team qualified a busload of athletes for the upcoming 3A state meet, a one-day event scheduled for Tuesday at Legends Field in Harrisburg.

The Warriors competed in the 3A District 1 championships Friday and Saturday in Clatskanie, where the Warrenton boys placed third in the team scoring behind Catlin Gabel and Westside Christian. The Lady Warriors were sixth out of nine teams, and also qualified two athletes for state.

After placing fourth earlier this spring in the state cross-country meet, the Warrenton boys are hoping to surpass that accomplishment with a top three finish in the state track meet.

Warrenton has entries in 10 different events, and should be one of the primary contenders for the team title.

Leading the way will be junior Zander Moha, the district champion in both the 1,500 and 3,000-meter races, in which he had winning times of 4 minutes, 24.34 seconds and 9:30:80. He is ranked second in both events at state by less than a second in both races.

Warrenton had automatic qualifiers with second-place finishes from



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**Warrenton's Zander Moha won the district 1,500 and 3,000-meter races and will be running for state titles Tuesday.**

Phoenix Martin (200 meters), Triston Scott (shot put) and the 400-meter relay team.

On Sunday, the Warriors gained several more wild card qualifiers, following third, fourth and even fifth-place finishes at the meet.

Erik Cooley, Forrest Cooley, Sam Irwin and Zakk Lundberg will also be competing in Harrisburg.

### PREP SPORTS SCHEDULE

#### TUESDAY

**Baseball** — Joseph vs. Warrenton, 4 p.m. (at The Dalles High School, Bob Williams Field); Western Christian at Knappa, 4 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

**Girls Basketball** — Warrenton at Willamina, 7 p.m.

#### THURSDAY

**Girls Basketball** — Astoria at Warrenton, 6 p.m.

On the girls side, Warrenton qualified Abigail Miller (second, 3,000 meters) and Caroline Grace Duncan (second, 300-meter hurdles).

## Seaside softball finishes season at 9-5

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Despite an 18-4 loss at Banks, the Seaside softball team closed out one of its most successful seasons ever, as the Lady Gulls finished 9-5 overall, 8-4 in league.

Seaside trailed 6-0 after two innings, but had its best inning of the season, scoring four runs in the top of the third against the undefeated (14-0) Braves.

Banks responded with 10 runs in the bottom of the third and tacked on two in the fourth.

The Braves had 16 hits, while Banks pitchers Brooke Vandehey, Alex Saunders and Jessica Stewart limited Seaside to three hits.

Banks had six doubles but committed five errors to Seaside's four.

The Gulls lose just three seniors, Kandice Flaigg, Gracie Rhodes and Emma Taylor.

### Loggers split twinbill

The Vernonia and Knappa softball teams combined for 50 runs in two games Friday at Knappa, bringing their spring schedules to a close.

Vernonia won the first game, 11-10, before Knappa won the Game 2 nonleague contest, 16-13.

Knappa trailed by six runs in Game 1, and a late rally came up short. It was Knappa's fourth straight league loss by one run.

Vicki Ramvick was 3-for-4 at the plate with two doubles and four RBIs.

In Game 2, starter Emily Larsen got the win, helping Knappa finish

6-8 overall, 5-5 in league. The Loggers lose just two seniors, Ramvick and Raven Corcoran.

### Rainier sweeps at Warrenton

In Coastal Range League softball Friday, Rainier swept a doubleheader at Warrenton, 16-0 and 13-3.

The Columbians built a 12-0 lead through three innings in Game 1 and put up six runs in the first inning of the second game. Rainier senior Kyla Cook tossed a one-hitter in the opener, and Warrenton committed eight errors.

Ayree Miethe had a home run in Game 2 for the Warriors, who finish 2-13. Warrenton had seven freshmen and just one senior on this year's roster, Mia McFadden.

## Warriors, Loggers ready for state title baseball games

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The Warrenton baseball team will be the No. 4 seed for an eight-team culminating week state tournament this week, as 3A baseball will try to determine an unofficial state champion for the shortened spring season.

Warrenton will be the home team in a first round game Tuesday at 4 p.m. against Joseph. The game will be played at The Dalles High School, Bob Williams Field.

Brookings-Harbor was the No. 1 seed, and will play Scio in North Bend. No. 2 seed Santiam Christian will host No. 7 seed Rainier.

Winners of 12 of their last 13 games, the Warriors finished the regular season with a doubleheader split and another league championship Friday at Rainier.

In Friday's twinbill, Rainier pitcher Brayden Marcum dominated the Warriors with a one-hitter in Game 1, striking out 15 in the five-inning, 11-1 win. Duane Falls had an RBI triple for Warrenton.

The Warriors answered with a 7-3 win in Game 2, in which Falls threw 110 pitches over five-and-two-thirds innings, before Dylan Atwood finished.

Falls was also 2-for-2 with a double, and Ethan Caldwell added a two-run triple. Hordie Bodden Bodden had a triple and scored a clutch run late. The Warriors had six steals.

### Knappa still unbeaten

Knappa put the finishing touches on a perfect regular season with a doubleheader sweep Friday at Vernonia, 8-5 and 13-1.

Knappa (14-0 overall) is one of three undefeated teams heading into this week's 16-team 2A title week, which begins Tuesday. The Loggers will host Western Christian at 4 p.m.

In Friday's sweep, Knappa trailed 5-4 in the seventh inning

of Game 1, before scoring four runs to take the lead. Drew Miller earned the win in relief. Cameron Miethe had several big defensive plays and scored twice.

In Game 2, Knappa's Mark Miller recorded his first pitching of the season, while Miethe, Drew Miller, Kutter Ball and Tanner Jackson led the offense.

### Seaside 14, Astoria 7

Playing for second place in the Cowapa League, the Seaside and Astoria baseball teams pounded out lots of hits and runs in a regular season finale Saturday at Tapiola Park.

With four lead changes in six innings, the Gulls finally emerged victorious, 14-7.

Seaside finishes 7-5 overall, 6-5 in league play. Despite the shortened season, it's the first time the Gulls have finished with a winning record since 2011 (13-11), and the first winning record in league play since 2007 (8-7).

First-year Seaside coach Brett Wolfe, who had 494 career wins at North Medford, picked up career victory No. 501 Friday.

Both teams had seven hits, but the Gulls took advantage of 11 Astoria errors and 13 walks by five different Fishermen pitchers.

For Seaside, Lawson Talamantez and Justin Morris combined to strike out nine with six walks.

Trailing 7-6 after five innings, the Gulls scored two in the sixth and tacked on six runs in the seventh.

Tanner Kraushaar and Aedyn Cook were the only two players to have two hits for Seaside while Kaleb Bartel scored four runs and Kraushaar and Talamantez drove in three runs apiece.

Astoria had doubles from Hunter Ficken, Connelly Fromwiller, Aiden Giles and Tony Tumbarello.

The Gulls and Fishermen played four times this season, Seaside winning three.



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