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Wood’s goal lifts US over Germany

COLOGNE, Germany (AP) — For the second time in six days, Bobby Wood scored a late goal to give the United States its first victory at a European soccer power.

The 22-year-old from Hawaii scored in the 87th minute Wednesday night, lifting the Americans to a 2-1 victory at World Cup champion Germany in an exhibition game.



Wood

U.S. captain Michael Bradley had passed to Brad Evans, wide on the right flank, and Evans made a 25-yard diagonal pass to Wood, who had entered in the 74th minute. Wood trapped the ball just outside the arc, swiveled, took a touch and sent a 23-yard shot on a hop past goalkeeper Ron-Robert Zieler.

USC’s McCullough first winner at NCAA track finals

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Conor McCullough of USC became the first winner at the NCAA track and field championships with a throw of 252 feet, 4 inches in the hammer on Wednesday.

McCullough’s performance was so dominant that four of his throws were better than the best of the runner-up, defending champion Mathias Tayala of Kent State, who threw 234-9.

Greg Skipper of host Oregon was third at 233-9. The Ducks are the defending men’s team champions.

The meet at Hayward Field is under a new format. With the exception of the heptathlon, only men competed on Wednesday and will finish on Friday.

The women compete on Thursday and Saturday.

“I think towards the end of the year we were exhausted and we got outcoached the majority of the games.”

— Cary Williams
Seattle Seahawks CB on the conditioning regimen and overall performance of Philadelphia Eagles head coach Chip Kelly. Williams played for Kelly for two seasons before signing a free agent contract with Seattle this offseason.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS
1990 — Vinnie Johnson scores 15 points in the fourth quarter, including a 15-footer with seven-tenths of a second left, to give the Detroit Pistons a 92-90 win and the NBA title over Portland in five games.
1998 — Michael Jordan scores 45 points, stealing the ball from Karl Malone and hitting a jumper with 5.2 seconds left to give Chicago an 87-86 win and a 4-2 series victory over Utah for a sixth NBA title.
2007 — The San Antonio Spurs, who bounced over from the ABA in 1976, sweep Cleveland in the NBA Finals for their fourth championship since 1999 and third in five years. The Spurs join the Boston Celtics, Los Angeles Lakers and Chicago Bulls as the only teams in NBA history to win four titles.

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PENDLETON

Lindsey extends reign as POY

Pendleton star earns familiar honor

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For the third time in her storied softball career, Pendleton third baseman Darian Lindsey has been named the Class 5A softball Player of the Year.

Also a recipient of the 2012 and 2014 award, Lindsey led the Buackaroos to state championship game appearances in all three of the years she was honored, including Saturdays’ 3-2 defeat to Putnam.

In her finale with Pendleton, she was 2-for-3 with an inside-the-park home run.

Lindsey rewrote many of her own single-season school records this spring and collected several others. She’ll leave the program with the most hits in a season (65), most singles (42), most home runs (13), most stolen bases (34), most runs scored (62) and most at-bats (109).

She was joined by four other Buckaroo players on the All-State teams. Outfielders Tiah Grass and Alexis Morrison were also on the

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Pendleton’s Darian Lindsey scoops up a ground ball at third base in a game against Mac-Hi in Milton-Free-water.

Staff photo by E.J. Harris

PENDLETON

DiamondJaxx split with Southridge

Haguewood and company getting acclimated to new roles

By ERIK SKOPIL
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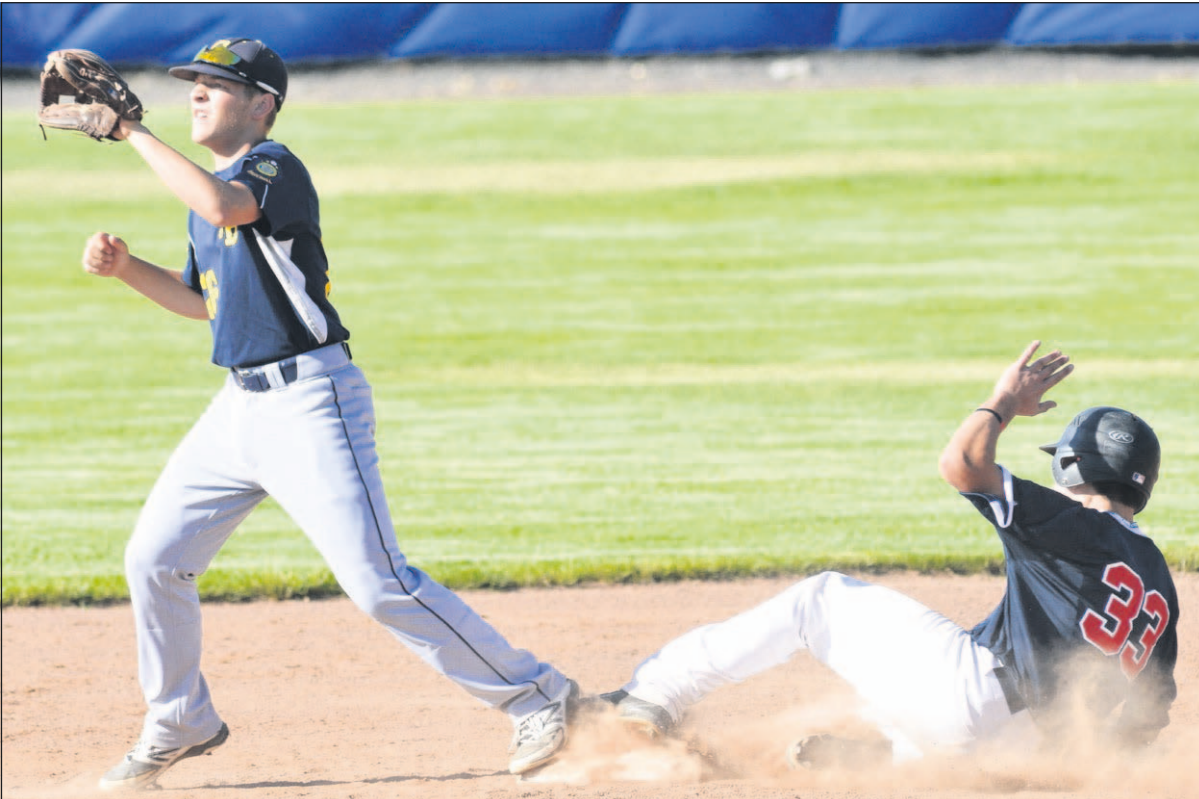
The summer version of the Pendleton baseball team is in role formation mode just a week removed from the conclusion of the varsity’s spring season.

With a team devoid of several key players and full of new faces, including new Buckaroo and Pepsi DiamondJaxx head coach TJ Haguewood, the opening week of the season has centered more on plug and play than it has winning.

Haguewood and the American Legion club received an ample dose of game experience Wednesday, swapping victories with Southridge (WA) in a 4-12, 11-9 split at Blue Mountain Community College.

The DiamondJaxx (2-2) were forced to dig deeper than they typically might with five of the regulars leaving for football after three innings of the opening game. The departures left the club with just five varsity players left and a host of newcomers.

“It was good to see some of the younger guys get some experience,



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Pepsi DiamondJaxx’s Ryan Russell slide into second base as Southridge’s Ethan Sanders waits for the ball in the first game of a doubleheader Wednesday in Pendleton.

too,” said Haguewood. “I was around the varsity team a lot during the season but this is my first time seeing the younger guys playing.”

Upcoming junior Caleb Cary

was 3-for-7 during the two games, while soon-to-be Sophomore Ryan Russell received seven innings of experience behind the plate in Game 2.

Daniel Naughton, a frosh this spring, scored the go-ahead run in the nightcap, rushing home on a Jack Peterson single to right field

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MLB

Seager subs for Cruz, hits grand slam

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Kyle Seager, batting cleanup in place of ailing Nelson Cruz, hit a grand slam, doubled and drove in five runs to lead the Seattle Mariners past the Cleveland Indians 9-3 Wednesday night.

Cruz, who leads the American League with 18 home runs, missed the game because of back spasms. Seager helped Seattle win for the second straight day at Progressive Field after a 2-9 homestand.

The Mariners scored more than three runs for the first time since May 26, a span of a club-record 13 games.

Seager hit his second career grand slam, connecting in the third inning against Trevor Bauer (5-3). Seager added an RBI double in the seventh.

Taijuan Walker (3-6) allowed one run in six innings and beat the Indians for the second time in two weeks.

Cleveland lost its third straight



AP Photo/Tony Dejak

Seattle Mariners’ Kyle Seager watches his grand slam off Cleveland Indians starting pitcher Trevor Bauer during the third inning of a baseball game, Wednesday, June 10, 2015, in Cleveland. Mike Zunino, Austin Jackson and Robinson Cano scored.

and fell to 11-18 at home.

Seager is batting .433 (26 for 60) in 15 career games at Progressive Field.

Logan Morrison extended his hitting streak to a career-high 16

games with a two-run double in the Mariners’ fourth.

Walker, who struck out six, pitched eight shutout innings against the Indians on May 29 at Safeco Field.

2A/1A Baseball

Knights, Rockets get six on all-state

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The Irrigon Knights and Pilot Rock Rockets combined for six all-state baseball selections with the release of the 2A/1A teams this week.

Irrigon, which finished third at the district tournament, was led by second-team selection Austin Rice.

The sophomore southpaw posted a 5-1 record in 13 starts and had two saves. He finished the season with a 1.50 ERA and 112 strikeouts.

Irrigon catcher Cougar Kroske and outfielder Darin Chapman each made the third team.

Kroske, a junior, batted for a .484 average in 75 plate appearances and slugged at a

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