## IRRIGON

# Irrigon to host Little League **All-Star tournaments**

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The Little League All-Star season begins this weekend for local players as the District 3 tournament opens in Irrigon.

Teams from Hermiston, Pendleton and surrounding communities will compete in four age groups with games beginning on Saturday and running through Friday, July 3, if necessary.

First pitch will belong to the youngest players Hermiston faces Milton-Freewater at 8 a.m. on Saturday in the 9-10-yearolds bracket. La Grande and Pendleton follow, and the championship of this double elimination bracket is scheduled for Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

The 10-11 bracket and 11-12 brackets also open on Saturday.

Hermiston and Columbia will play best-of-three for the 10-11 title, with it's championship set for Sunday at 1 p.m. A third game on Monday will be played if needed.

Milton-Freewater and La Grande have the top seeds in the 11-12 bracket, which also includes Baker, Hermiston, Pilot Rock and Pendleton. It's championship is scheduled for Thursday, July 2 at 6 p.m.

The three-team Juniors bracket won't begin until Monday with Columbia earning the top seed over Grant County and Herm-



The Hermiston Little League All-Stars 11/12 softball team rejoices after winning the 2014 District 5 championship in Hermiston. Hermiston will be back to defend its title this season, but has moved to District 3, which will hold its tournament beginning on Saturday in Irrigon.

iston. The championship is on Tuesday at 6 p.m.

The District 3 baseball championships are scheduled to begin July 4 in La Grande, but final brackets are not yet available.

## District 3 Softball

Schedules
All games in Irrigon 9/10 age bracket

97 to age bracket Saturday, June 27 Game 1: Hermiston vs. Milton-Freewater, 8 a.m. Game 2: La Grande vs. Pendleton, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, June 28 Game 3: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2

Game 4: Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 10:30 a.m. Monday, June 29 Game 5: Game 4 winner vs. Game 3

Game 5: Game 4 winner vs. Game 3 loser, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday, June 30
Championship: Game 3 winner vs. Game 5 winner, 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, July 1
Game 7: if necessary, 10:30 a.m.
10/11 age bracket
Saturday, June 27

Atlanta

Pittsburgh

Chicago Cincinnati

West Division

Los Angeles

San Diego Colorado

San Francisco

Tuesday's Games

**Central Division** 

Saturday, June 27 Hermiston vs. Columbia, 1 p.m. Sunday, June 28 Hermiston vs. Columbia, 1 p.m. Monday, June 29 Hermiston vs. Columbia (if necessary), Saturday, June 27 Game 1: Baker vs. Hermiston, 3:30 p.m.

Game 2: Pilot Rock vs. Pendleton, 6 p.m Sunday, June 28 Game 3: Game 1 winner vs. La Grande,

3:30 p.m. Game 4: Game 2 winner vs. Milton-Freewater, 6 p.m. Monday, June 29

Game 5: Game 1 loser vs. Game 4 loser, 1 p.m. Game 6: Game 2 loser vs. Game 3 loser,

Tuesday, June 30 Game 7: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4

Game 7: Game 3 Winner Vs. Game 4 winner, 1 p.m. Game 8: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 1 Game 9: Game 8 winner vs. Game 7

Garlie 3. Garlie 7 loser, 6 p.m.
Thursday, July 2
Championship: Game 7 winner vs. Game 9 winner, 6 p.m.
Friday, July 3
Game 11: if necessary, 6 p.m.

Juniors Monday, June 29 Game 1: Grant County vs. Hermiston,

8 a.m. Game 2: Game 1 winner vs. Columbia,

Tuesday, June 30 Game 3: Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser 3 a.m.

Championship: Game 2 winner vs. Game 3 winner, 6 p.m. Monday, July 1 Game 5: if necessary, 6 p.m.

## **SCOREBOARD**

36 .493

46 .361

L Pct 33 .542 33 .535 36 .486

Nuscay's Games
Washington 3, Atlanta 1
Pittsburgh 7, Cincinnati 6
Philadelphia 11, N.Y. Yankees 6
St. Louis 4, Miami 3
Chicago Cubs 1, L.A. Dodgers 0, 10 innings
Milwaukee 3, N.Y. Mets 2
Colorado 10, Arizona 5
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San Diego at San Francisco, (n) Today's Games
Philadelphia (Hamels 5-5) at N.Y. Yankees

Atlanta (S.Miller 5-3) at Washington (Zimmermann 5-5), 4:05 p.m.

Cincinnati (Leake 4-4) at Pittsburgh (G.Cole 11-2), 4:05 p.m. St. Louis (Jai.Garcia 2-3) at Miami (Latos 2-4), 4:10 p.m. L.A. Dodgers (Bolsinger 4-2) at Chicago

Cubs (Hendricks 2-3), 5:05 p.m. N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 9-5) at Milwaukee

(Vogelsong 5-5), 7:15 p.m.

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Washington

New York

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Minnesota

Phoenix Seattle Los Angeles

(Nelson 3-8), 5:10 p.m. Arizona (Webster 1-1) at Colorado (Hale 2-2), 5:40 p.m. San Diego (Kennedy 4-5) at San Francisco

WNBA

L Pct GB 1 .857 — 2 .714 1

3 .571 3 .500 21/2

5 .375 5 .375

L Pct 1 .857 2 .714

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## Baseball

College World Series
Championship Series
(Best-of-3; x-if necessary)
Vanderbilt 1, Virginia 1
Monday: Vanderbilt 5, Virginia 1
Tuesday: Virginia 3, Vanderbilt 0
Today: Vanderbilt (51-20) vs. Virginia (43-24), 5 p.m.

### American League **East Division**

East Division			
	W	L Pct	GB
Tampa Bay	41	32 .562	_
New York	38	33 .535	2
Baltimore	37	33 .529	21/2
Toronto	38	35 .521	3
Boston	31	41 .431	91/2
Central Division			
	W	L Pct	GB
Kansas City	40	28 .588	_
Minnesota	38	33 .535	31/2
Detroit	37	34 .521	41/2
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39 .443 West Division L Pct GB Houston 31 .569 — 34 .521 3½ Los Angeles

35 .507 4½ 39 .458 8 41 .438 9½ **Tuesday's Games** Philadelphia 11, N.Y. Yankees 6 Baltimore 6, Boston 4

Detroit 7, Cleveland 3
Tampa Bay 4, Toronto 3
Oakland 8, Texas 6
Chicago White Sox 6, Minnesota 2 Houston at L.A. Angels, (n) Seattle 7, Kansas City 0

Today's Games
Detroit (Farmer 0-1) at Cleveland (Carrasco 8-6), 9:10 a.m. Toronto (Estrada 5-3) at Tampa Bay (Karns

4-3), 9:10 a.m. Philadelphia (Hamels 5-5) at N.Y. Yankees

Philadelphia (Hamels 5-b) at N.Y. Yankees (Nova 0-0), 10:05 a.m. Chicago White Sox (Sale 6-3) at Minneso-ta (PHughes 5-6), 10:10 a.m. Houston (McCullers 3-2) at L.A. Angels (Shoemaker 4-5), 12:35 p.m. Baltimore (B.Norris 2-5) at Boston (Buch-

holz 4-6), 4:10 p.m.
Oakland (Graveman 3-4) at Texas (W.Rodriguez 4-2), 5:05 p.m. Kansas City (D.Duffy 2-3) at Seattle (Elias 4-4), 7:10 p.m.

National League East Division

L Pct GB

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Tuesday's Games Washington 84, Los Angeles 80 **Today's Game** 

42 .417 8½ 47 .356 13 Atlanta at Chicago, 9:30 a.m.

Thursday's Games

Phoenix at San Antonio, 5 p.m.

Minnesota at Seattle, 7 p.m. **L Pct GB** 24 .657 — 30 .571 6 30 .565 6½ 37 .464 13½ Soccer

Women's World Cup SECOND ROUND

Tuesday Japan 2, Netherlands 1 QUARTERFINALS **Friday** At Montreal

At Montreal Germany vs. France, 1 p.m. At Ottawa, Ontario China vs. United States, 4:30 p.m. Saturday At Edmonton, Alberta

Australia vs. Japan, 1 p.m. At Vancouver, British Columbia England vs. Canada, 4:30 p.m

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	Philadelphia	4	10	3	15	19	30		
	NY City FC	4	7	5	17	17	19		
	New York	4	5	5	17	18	19		
	Columbus	4	6	5	17	21	22		
	Montreal	5	5	2	17	16	18		
	Toronto FC	6	6	1	19	19	18		
	Orlando City	5	6	5	20	20	21		
	New England	6	5	6	24	23	22		
	D.C. United	9	5	4	31	22	-17		

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NOTE: Three points for victory, one point

Today's Games Seattle at Philadelphia, 4 p.m. Real Salt Lake at New York, 4:30 p.m. Colorado at Orlando City, 4:30 p.m. New England at Columbus, 4:30 p.m. Montreal at Toronto FC, 5 p.m. D.C. United at Chicago, 5:30 p.m. Portland at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.

## Track & Field



In this June 27, 2014, file photo, Trey Hardee celebrates after clearing 16 feet, 4 and 3/4 inches during the pole vault portion of the decathlon at the U.S. outdoor track and field championships in Sacramento, Calif.

# Hardee big favorite in Eugene

By PAT GRAHAM Associated Press

Trey Hardee's lucrative

decathlon career has suddenly gone to the dogs. More specifically, his two Rottweiler mixes, Minka

and Luca, who actually have an endorsement deal with a pet food company that keeps them rolling in treats.

Simply the spoils of having an owner who's one of the top dogs in a grueling two-day, 10-event competi-

Fully healthy, Hardee is a big favorite at the U.S. championships this week in Eugene, Oregon. Even more so with rival, record-holder and Olympic gold medalist Ashton Eaton sitting the decathlon out since he has an automatic bye into worlds as the defending champion.

Still, Hardee, a two-time world champ and Olympic silver medalist, has been training with such an intensity that he's "losing vision" — his description — during workouts. That's what it takes these days to keep up with Eaton, who will compete in the long jump at nationals.

These two share an agent, extreme work ethic and — should everything go as planned — a stage two months from now in Beijing at worlds. "I don't need to check in

with Ashton to know he's training hard," Hardee said in a phone interview from his home in Austin, Texas. "He feels that way about me too" Hardee's workouts are

cringe-worthy in their magnitude, designed in a

way for the 31-year-old to feel a little lightheaded toward the end. Just like on that last day of a competition, when all he has left is four laps around the track at full speed.

"The other day, when I was running the 1,500 (in practice), I actually saw my wife on our wedding day as my life flashed before my eyes," cracked Hardee, who sometimes finishes off a big workout by going home and mowing his lawn. "I guess I was just searching for motivation because I was like, "'Why am I doing this?"

How exactly did he get into this? Now that's an intriguing question, because he's sort of an accidental decathlete. Cut from his high school basketball team, the 6-foot-5, 210-pound Hardee discovered pole vaulting. A quick study, he went

to Mississippi State hoping to become the next Sergei Bubka. Soon after, he was introduced to the decathlon and began to flourish, transferring to Texas, where he became an NCAA champion. "I don't think anyone

is born to be a decathlete," said Hardee, who was once invited to try out for the New York Jets, only to stick with amassing points over catching passes. "It's always a fall back option." He said he's healed from

him out of a recent tuneup meet in Austria. No stranger to pain,

Hardee was only months removed from surgery to fix a ligament in his elbow when he captured silver the London Games,

finishing behind Eaton. It was the first time the Americans had gone 1-2 in the Olympic decathlon since Milt Campbell and Rafer Johnson in 1956.

Hardee's personal-best score is 8,790 points, which he set in Berlin in 2009. He currently ranks behind only Eaton — owner of the world record (9,039 points) he set three years ago at Hayward Field — Dan O'Brien and Bryan Clay in American history. In the pantheon of U.S.

decathlete greats, he's there with that trio, along with Johnson, Campbell and 1976 Olympic gold medalist Bruce Jenner. "I'm at the bottom of

that totem pole," Hardee said. "The decathlete is an awesome fraternity." Hardee isn't sure how much longer he will

compete. His sponsorship deals with Red Bull and Nike were recently extended into 2017. "I keep thinking, 'When

am I going to start a career?" Hardee said. "But there's no other feeling in the world like waking up on the morning of a competition. I still get goose bumps and butterflies in my stomach just talking about it.

"If all keeps going well, I'm not going to deny myself this ride. After all, he's got others

to think about. Namely, his a balky hamstring that kept two rescue dogs. Minka and Luca actually star in an online video. His pups, of course, steal the show. "My dogs getting a

sponsorship out of all this?" Hardee said. "Now that's one of the cooler things that's ever happened to me.

# **Hockey**

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## NHL planning move to 3-on-3 overtime period the regular-season overtime it meets in Las Vegas. The LAS VEGAS (AP) —

The NHL plans to play three-on-three in overtime next season. The league's general

managers and players agreed Tuesday to change period from five minutes of four-on-four hockey to three-on-three. The Board of Governors

still must approve the change Wednesday when Board also will consider a recommendation to allow coaches to challenge goals on the basis of goalie interference calls or offside

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