

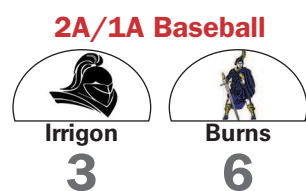
IRRIGON

Burns rallies past Irrigon baseball

East Oregonian

BURNS — The Irrigon baseball team took an early lead, but a four-run burst by the Burns Hilanders sent them past the visiting Knights and into the 2A/1A state championship with a 6-3 win on Tuesday.

Irrigon's Austin Rice scored on a double by Adrian Roa to make it 1-0 in the top of the first inning, then Cougar



Kroske scored later in the inning on a single by Hayden White.

Rice sat down the Hilanders in order in the bottom of the first, and Irrigon added

another run in the top of the second when Kroske singled to center to bring in Fredy Vera for a 3-0 lead.

That was it for the Knights, though.

Burns starting pitcher Justin Lewellen threw three scoreless innings before giving way in the sixth to Zach McDonald, who gave up just one hit in two innings of relief.

Rice went 5-1-3 for Irrigon and allowed five earned runs

on four hits with six strikeouts and six walks.

Nate Verley and Kroske were each 2 for 3 at the plate, and Zack Henrichs went 2 for 4.

Talon Case went 2 for 3 to lead Burns.

It was Irrigon's first time making the state postseason in baseball.

Burns will play Knappa on Friday in the state championship at Volcanoes Stadium in Keizer.

TIGERS: Woods strikes out 10, hit three RBIs

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school that's had a heck of a year, only lost to bigger schools," Johnson said of the Rainier Columbians. "We knew we were up for a challenge. The first inning was key with Dylan's big two-run bomb. That jump-starts us on offense and they're playing catch-up, basically, the whole game."

Woods, though, was lights out on the mound. The 6-foot-4 right-hander has a deceptive delivery and an aggressive curveball, and kept the dangerous Columbian lineup at bay all afternoon.

Rainier only got a runner to third base twice in the game, and only once did he score.

After Grogan's bomb in the first, it took Woods 19 pitches to strike out the side, and in the second Rainier threatened to pull even.

The first two batters of the frame singled, and an out later a bunt past a diving Woods plated Rainier's only run of the game. Rainier amassed only three hits all game, with all three coming in the second inning.

"It was the same as our game Wednesday," Johnson said. "Just damage control. They loaded it up and only came out with one run. He competed and got out of it. That's what good pitchers do."

Woods' final line was six complete innings, three hits



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Stanfield starting pitcher Brody Woods (center), lifts his arms after pitching six innings of one-run ball, lifting his Stanfield Tigers to the 3A state championship game.

allowed, one earned run, 10 strikeouts and three walks.

"I mean, he's 6-foot-4, 6-foot-5, good down angle," Johnson said. "He's just a tough guy to hit off of, his balls move. But the biggest thing with him, and (Grogan) too and everyone else, is strikes, getting strike one, staying ahead of the hitters and not giving them a bunch of freebies."

Offensively, Woods had two hits and three RBIs to lead the way in terms of volume. But Ryan Bailey had two hits, two RBI and scored a run, Thyer Monkus had two hits, two RBI and scored twice, and Tony Flores had two hits and scored two runs.

Stanfield added to the lead in the third. Monkus reached on a hit by pitch, and

Tony Flores followed with a single, pushing him to third. Grogan was intentionally walked to load the bases — he never saw a pitch after the first inning — and Ryan Bailey made the Columbians pay with a sharp two-run double into the right-center gap, scoring Monkus and Flores. Woods then singled to score Grogan, who was at third, and an out later Jason Fitzpatrick plated Bailey on a safety squeeze to put Stanfield up 6-1.

The Tigers got two more in the fourth when Woods singled in Monkus and Grogan again, giving Stanfield an 8-1 lead. Stanfield again added to its lead in the fifth on a Monkus line shot over the left-field fence,

driving in Fitzpatrick for its 10-1 lead.

Rainier came close to grabbing some momentum when Tim Seybert flew out to deep left field. The wind had just shifted to come in from left field instead of blowing out there. That wind knocked the drive down, ending the Rainier threat.

Flores, who had been a starter all regular season, came out of the bullpen to strike out the top three hitters in the Rainier order to put the final exclamation point on a game that had about 15.

"We're on a high right now as a team," Woods said. "I don't know when the next game is, but we're excited."

Johnson has been preaching the notion that every game is a big game. He said his team composed of mainly juniors has come to play every game despite the opponent, and Tuesday's result corroborates that idea.

Grogan, though, isn't resting on laurels when the task is still yet uncompleted.

"We're not done yet," Grogan said with an excited laugh. "We want to win the state championship. Just do it like our brothers."

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RHS	010000	0	—	10	9	2
B. Woods, T. Flores and T. Monkus; D. Carr, M. Schimmel, R. Schmunk. W — B. Woods (SHS). L — D. Carr (RHS). 2B: R. Bailey (SHS). HR: D. Grogan (1st, T. Monkus scores, off D. Carr); T. Monkus (5th, J. Fitzpatrick scores, off M. Schimmel).						

ROCKETS: Pilot Rock to play Union in championship

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Tehya is out there."

Pilot Rock took the lead early and scored one in the first, followed by six in the second inning.

Jacey Wilson was 2 for 2, Madison Dave was 3 for 4, Kayla Deist was 2 for 3 and Shayla Walker was 2 for 4 to lead Pilot Rock hitters.

"We knew the (Trojans' Tressa Reidman) might like to throw a little bit high and get batters to chase, and so the key was to be patient and bring the ball into our zone and we did that," Fitzpatrick said.

Pilot Rock will play try for its second straight state championship on Friday when it plays Union at 1 p.m. at OSU Softball Complex in

Corvallis.

The Rockets are 4-0 against Union this season and won their most recent meeting 18-0 on May 21.

"We've been saying all year we thought we had the two best teams in the state and there was a good chance we'd see each other in Corvallis," Fitzpatrick said. "We should go in confident,

we just can't go in overconfident. That's what's cost us a couple games this year. We know what they've got, we know what we're up against, but we've still got to play the game."

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PRHS	160 25	—	14	11	3
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PIONEERS: Mac-Hi will rematch with Banks in finals

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also hit a double.

Mac-Hi will play Banks in the state championship on Saturday at OSU Softball Complex. Game time is 1 p.m.

Mac-Hi beat Banks 5-4 in Milton-Freewater on April 2.



Mac-Hi second baseman Shannon Carter and Gladstone baserunner Kennedy Coy wait for the umpire decision on the play, which was out, during the OSAA 4A state semifinal softball game on Tuesday in Milton-Freewater.

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GHS	001000	1	—	R	H	E
M-H	000201	X	—	2	5	0
W — M. Copeland, L. — M. Mott. 2B — K. Coy (GHS); K. Slusarenko, R. Lyon (M-H). HR — K. Coy, C. Brown (GHS).						

SCOREBOARD

Local Slate

PREP BASEBALL
Friday
No. 3 Stanfield vs. No. 1 Santiam Christian (3A finals at Keizer), 5 p.m.

PREP SOFTBALL
Friday
No. 1 Pilot Rock vs. No. 2 Union (2A/1A finals at Corvallis), 1 p.m.
Saturday
No. 1 Mac-Hi vs. No. 3 Banks (4A finals at Corvallis), 1 p.m.

Prep Scores

BASEBALL
Tuesday's Games
6A semifinals
Jesuit 3, WESTVIEW 2
Oregon City 7, SHELDON 1
5A semifinals
SUMMIT 7, Crescent Valley 0
HOOD RIVER VALLEY 1, Churchill 0
4A semifinals
HENLEY 5, Astoria 2
Estacada 8, BANKS 3 (9 inn.)
3A semifinals
Stanfield / Echo 10, RAINIER 1
SANTIAM CHRISTIAN 4, St. Mary's-Medford 1
2A/1A semifinals
BURNS 6, Irrigon 3
KNAPPA 9, Monroe 4

SOFTBALL
Tuesday's Games
6A semifinals
JESUIT 3, North Medford 2 (8 inn)
GLENCOE 10, Grants Pass 1
5A semifinals
Churchill 3, PENDLETON 1 (8 inn.)
LEBANON 5, Marist Catholic 4
4A semifinals
Banks 7, SCAPPOOSE 3
MCCLOUGHLIN 3, Gladstone 2
3A semifinals
Rainier 6, SCIO 4
DAYTON 1, Pleasant Hill 0
2A/1A semifinals
UNION/COVE 11, Bonanza 0 (5 inn)
PILOT ROCK/NIXYA 14, Kennedy 4 (5 inn)

Basketball

NBA
Playoff Glance
FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Cleveland vs. Golden State
(all games on ABC)
Thursday, June 2: Cleveland at Golden State, 6 p.m.
Sunday, June 5: Cleveland at Golden State, 5 p.m.
Wednesday, June 8: Golden State at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
Friday, June 10: Golden State at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
x-Monday, June 13: Cleveland at Golden State, 6 p.m.
x-Thursday, June 16: Golden State at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
x-Sunday, June 19: Cleveland at Golden State, 5 p.m.

Baseball

MLB
NATIONAL LEAGUE
Tuesday's Games
Houston 8, Arizona 5
Seattle 16, San Diego 4
Washington 5, Philadelphia 1
Chicago White Sox 6, N.Y. Mets 4
Miami 3, Pittsburgh 1
San Francisco 4, Atlanta 0
L.A. Dodgers 5, Chicago Cubs 0
St. Louis 10, Milwaukee 3
Colorado 17, Cincinnati 4
Today's Games
Chicago White Sox (Gonzalez 0-1) at N.Y. Mets (deGrom 3-1), 10:10 a.m.
St. Louis (Garcia 4-4) at Milwaukee (Davies 2-3), 10:40 a.m.
Washington (Scherzer 5-4) at Philadelphia (Morgan 1-3), 4:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Niese 5-2) at Miami (Conley 3-3), 4:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Suarez 1-1) at Atlanta (Perez 2-1), 4:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Bolsinger 1-1) at Chicago Cubs (Lester 5-3), 5:05 p.m.
Arizona (Ray 2-4) at Houston (Fiers 3-3), 5:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Lamb 0-3) at Colorado (Chat-

wood 6-3), 5:40 p.m.
Seattle (Hernandez 4-4) at San Diego (Friedrich 1-1), 7:10 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Tuesday's Games
Houston 8, Arizona 5
Seattle 16, San Diego 4
Texas 7, Cleveland 3
Boston 6, Baltimore 2
Toronto 4, N.Y. Yankees 1
Chicago White Sox 6, N.Y. Mets 4
Kansas City 10, Tampa Bay 5
L.A. Angels 11, Detroit 9
Oakland 7, Minnesota 4
Today's Games
Chicago White Sox (Gonzalez 0-1) at N.Y. Mets (deGrom 3-1), 10:10 a.m.
Minnesota (Dean 1-1) at Oakland (Manaea 1-3), 12:35 p.m.
Boston (Kelly 2-0) at Baltimore (Wright 2-3), 4:05 p.m.
Detroit (Fulmer 4-1) at L.A. Angels (Shoemaker 3-5), 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 3-0) at Toronto (Sanchez 4-1), 4:07 p.m.
Arizona (Ray 2-4) at Houston (Fiers 3-3), 5:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Archer 3-6) at Kansas City (Duffy 0-0), 5:15 p.m.
Seattle (Hernandez 4-4) at San Diego (Friedrich 1-1), 7:10 p.m.

Hockey

NHL
Playoff Glance
STANLEY CUP FINALS
(Best-of-7)
Pittsburgh 1, San Jose 0
Monday: Pittsburgh 3, San Jose 2
Today, June 1: San Jose at Pittsburgh, 5 p.m. (NBCSN)
Saturday, June 4: Pittsburgh at San Jose, 5 p.m. (NBC)
Monday, June 6: Pittsburgh at San Jose, 5 p.m. (NBC)

Soccer

MLS
Today's Games

Columbus at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
Seattle at D.C. United, 5 p.m.
San Jose at Portland, 7:30 p.m.

Tennis

FRENCH OPEN
Tuesday
At Stade Roland Garros, Paris
Purse: \$35.9 million (Grand Slam)
Surface: Clay-Outdoor
Singles
Men
Fourth Round
Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, leads Roberto Bautista Agut (14), Spain, 3-6, 6-4, 4-1, susp., rain.
Marcel Granollers, Spain, vs. Dominic Thiem (13), Austria, 2-6, 7-6 (2), susp., rain.
David Ferrer (11), Spain, leads Tomas Berdych (7), Czech Republic, 2-1, susp., rain.
Ernesto Gulbis, Latvia, leads David Goffin (12), Belgium, 3-0, susp., rain.
Women
Fourth Round
Sam Stosur (21), Australia, def. Simona Halep (6), Romania, 7-6 (0), 6-3.
Tsvetana Pironkova, Bulgaria, def. Agnieszka Radwanska (2), Poland, 2-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Doubles
Men
Third Round
Ivan Dodig, Croatia, and Marcelo Melo (3), Brazil, def. Chris Guccione, Australia, and Andre Sa, Brazil, 6-3, 6-2.
Feliciano Lopez and Marc Lopez (15), Spain, lead Pierre-Hugues Herbert and Nicolas Mahut (1), France, 7-6 (7), 3-0, susp., rain.
Quarterfinals
Bob and Mike Bryan (5), United States, lead Marcin Matkowski, Poland, and Leander Paes (16), India, 4-3 (Ad-40), susp., rain.
Women
Third Round
Caroline Garcia and Kristina Mladenovic (5), France, def. Anna-Lena Friedsam and Laura Siegemund, Germany, 6-3, 6-2.
Quarterfinals
Ekaterina Makarova and Elena Vesnina (7), Russia, lead Chan Hao-ching and Chan Yung-jan (3), Taiwan, 6-1, 1-2, susp., rain.



Staff photo by Kathy Aney

Pendleton pitcher Lauren Richards winds up Tuesday during the first inning of a state semifinal game at Steve Cary Field. Pendleton lost the game in extra innings.

BUCKS: Richards fans 10 in another strong start

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limited to a hitting-only role in the first two rounds of the playoffs due to a knee injury, returned to the field Tuesday and also went 2 for 3 at the plate.

"(The knee) was a little sore but I still wanted to be out there," she said.

Churchill came out in the fifth and got it's first two runners on with singles, but Lauren Richards put strikeouts around a force at third to eliminate the scoring threat.

Both teams had a runner in scoring position in the seventh, but Richards sat down Rene Brabham to leave a runner on third and Jegtvgot a pair of pop-ups to strand two.

Cole opened the eighth with a bunt and wound up on second base after a Pendleton error, the only one in the game.

DeLap hit the ball to the fence in right field to bring Cole in, and then scored on a single by Sheppler (3 for 4).

Pendleton was trying to make its third-straight trip to the state championship.

"We're a team that doesn't give up easily so we were fighting until the very end," Morrison said. "We lost, but I was still so proud of my teammates and we were fighting, and I'm just so proud of my team either way."

Of the five seniors Pendleton graduates after going 24-5 and winning the Columbia River Conference title, just Morrison, Ellie Richards and first baseman Kiersten Murphy were starters.

"We had a great year, and they're going to have a great year next year again," Richards said. "They'll hopefully go all the way next year."

"We still have something special," Cary said. "We said goodbye to our seniors but then again we said look at how many young ones are out there playing a position. We're going to be tough next year."

Churchill, which won nine state titles from 1980-1992, will play Lebanon on Saturday at OSU Softball Complex in Corvallis.

Churchill, which won

"I figured it's going to take a perfect throw to home, and it did and they got her," Cary said of waving Gentner around third. "I look back at that as a mistake on my part, no doubt about it."

Richards, who had been

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E. Jegtvgot and S. DeLap, L. Richards and R. Gentner. W — Jegtvgot. L — Richards. 2B — S. DeLap (CHS).					



Ellie Richards, of Pendleton, waits for a throw to third base as Churchill's Avery Daniels goes into a slide Tuesday during a state semi-final game at Steve Cary Field.

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