

NFL Draft

Seahawks focus on line of scrimmage with first two picks

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RENTON, Wash. — The Seattle Seahawks focused on the line of scrimmage in selecting defensive lineman Malik McDowell and offensive lineman Ethan Pocic with a pair of second-round picks in Friday's NFL draft.

Both selections fill obvious needs for the Seahawks, but their positions in the NFL are still to be determined. McDowell was primarily a defensive tackle at Michigan State but may project more as a defensive end, while Pocic played center last season for LSU but played across the entire offensive line during his time in college.

Whatever positions they end up playing, the players help address needs for the Seahawks, who had four picks remaining in the third round.



Michigan State's Malik McDowell (4) is shown during an NCAA college football game against Furman, Friday, Sept. 2, 2016, in East Lansing, Mich.

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LSU offensive lineman Ethan Pocic, participates in drills during their NCAA college football pro day in Baton Rouge, La., Wednesday, April 5, 2017.

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6-foot-6 and 300 pounds, and athleticism seemed to have him pegged for the first round. But knocks about inconsistency and taking plays off seemed to ding

McDowell as he dropped out of the first day. Seattle was more than willing to wait. The Seahawks even pulled off yet another trade — their third of the draft — to move

back one spot and allow Jacksonville to move up while giving Seattle another sixth-round pick.

It's the second straight year Seattle used a second-

round pick on a defensive tackle and third straight year the Seahawks have drafted a defensive lineman in the second round. Last year, the Seahawks grabbed

run-stuffing tackle Jarran Reed from Alabama in the second round. A year earlier, it was defensive end Frank Clark.

This time it was McDowell.

Seattle's defense — especially the defensive line — is beginning to age. Michael Bennett and Cliff Avril are 31. Ahtyba Rubin will also be 31 when the season begins. McDowell will join Reed, Frank Clark and Quinton Jefferson as players drafted by Seattle in the past three years in an effort to get younger.

Pocic started at center and guard during his career at LSU, but his size would allow him to transition to tackle if that's where the Seahawks think he fits best. Seattle's offensive line was an obvious weakness last season and that was somewhat addressed in free agency by the signings of Luke Joeckel and Oday Aboushi.

Prep Roundup

Woods no-hitter helps Tigers extend winning streak

East Oregonian

ENTERPRISE — The Stanfield baseball team extended its winning streak to 16 straight games with a sweep over the Wallowa County co-op of Enterprise/Joseph/Wallowa in an Eastern Oregon League doubleheader on Friday.

Brody Woods pitched the Tigers' fourth no-hitter of the season with 10 strikeouts and only a single walk to pick up the five-inning win 12-0 in the opener. Then Tony Flores gave them another strong start to win the second game 6-1.

In Game 1, Woods batted 2 for 3 with three RBI, Dylan Grogan was 2 for 4 with two doubles and scored three runs, and Ryan Bailey was 3 for 4 with two RBI to lead the offense for Stanfield (16-1, 10-0 EOL).

In Game 2, Tony Flores took the ball and pitched the first six innings and struck out nine batters before Ryan Bailey came on to throw the last inning and get two strikeouts.

Dylan Grogan was 3 for 4 with two RBI, and Monkus went 2 for 4 and scored twice.

UP NEXT Stanfield will play at Baker on Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.

Game 1 (5 innings)				R	H	E
SHS	613	11	—	12	13	0
EHS	000	00	—	0	0	2

W — B. Woods, L — C. Bathke, 3B — D. Grogan 2 (SHS).

Game 2				R	H	E
SHS	103	200	0	—	6	8
EHS	100	000	0	—	1	2

W — T. Flores, L — B. Ramsden, 2B — C. Bathke (EHS).

IRRIGON 17-5, VALE 3-7 — At Irrigon, the Knights unloaded for 16 runs in the fourth inning to win in runaway style 17-3 in their first game against Vale on Friday, but couldn't get that run production to carry over into the second game and fell 7-5 to split the Eastern Oregon League doubleheader.

In Game 1, Austin Rice allowed just two hits in 4 1/3 inning on the mound, and Tanner Mills struck out the final two batters to lead Irrigon (14-3, 7-3 EOL) in a five-inning win.

Mills was also a standout at the plate going 3 for 4 with two RBI, and the Knights were paced by Adrian Roa's 3 for 3 with three RBI and three runs.

Rice also hit three RBI, and two each were added by Zack Henrichs and Johnny Phillips.

In Game 2, Mills was the only Knight with multiple hits going 2 for 4 as Vale (7-8, 5-4) starting pitcher Dawson Eddy went the distance and finished with one earned run allowed on seven hits with three strikeouts and no walks. He also batted 2 for 4 to lead the Vikings.

UP NEXT Irrigon plays at Nyssa on Friday in a doubleheader that starts at 1 p.m.

Game 1 (5 innings)				R	H	E
VHS	300	00	—	3	2	6
IHS	100	(16)X	—	17	11	0

W — A. Rice, L — K. Brown, 2B — T. Mills (IHS).

Game 2				R	H	E
VHS	100	031	2	—	7	7
IHS	010	040	0	—	5	7

W — D. Eddy, L — T. Mills, 2B — K. Brown, M. McBride (VHS); N. Gumbert (IHS).

SOFTBALL RIVERSIDE 13-6, IRRIGON 3-11 — At Boardman, the Pirates and Knights split their Special District 1 doubleheader on Friday with Riverside winning the first game 13-3 in six innings and Irrigon bouncing back to take the second 11-6.

In Game 1, Sadie Hasbell went 4 for 4 with a home run and three doubles to drive in seven runs for the Pirates (14-6, 4-4 SD1). Hernandez (3 for 3), Villegas (2 for 4) and Skylar Wightman all scored three runs. Wightman struck out 10 and walked none in a complete effort in the circle to get the win.

Irrigon (12-8, 4-4) was led at the plate by Mya Chapman who went 2 for 3 with two RBI, and Casandra Fleming was 2 for 3.

In Game 2, Brittni Mendoza's 3 for 4 led Irrigon's 13-hit production on offense and Riverside made six errors to hurt their own cause.

Bailey Botefuhr (2 for 4) drove in a pair of runs, and Chapman pitched the entire way allowing just three earned runs on eight hits with three strikeouts.

Wightman got the loss in another complete effort, and went 2 for 3 at the plate while Hasbell hit her fourth double of the day.

UP NEXT Riverside is at Umatilla on Tuesday for a single game at 4 p.m.

Irrigon's next game is Friday in a home doubleheader against Weston-McEwen starting at 1 p.m.

Game 1 (6 innings)				R	H	E
IHS	101	001	—	3	7	5
RHS	440	023	—	13	10	0

W — S. Wightman, L — K. Gilman, 2B — M. Chapman, C. Fleming, J. Burns, B. Botefuhr (IHS); S. Hasbell 3, M. Hancock (RHS), HR — S. Hasbell (RHS).

Game 2				R	H	E
IHS	203	002	4	—	11	13
RHS	301	002	0	—	6	8

W — M. Chapman, L — S. Wightman, 2B — M. Chapman, J. Burns, B. Botefuhr (IHS); S. Wightman 2, S. Hasbell (IHS).

WESTON-MCEWEN 22-20, UMATILLA 1-3 — At Umatilla, the TigerScots are on a season-long five-game winning streak after a pair of five-inning Special District 1 wins over Umatilla on Friday.

Bailey Hillmick struck out 11 from the circle in Game 1, and Jordyn Lambert returned after dealing with some arm soreness to strike out nine in Game 2 to get the wins for Weston-McEwen (10-4, 7-0 SD1).

Weston-McEwen coach Jeff Griggs said he was pleased to see the team successfully convert several squeeze plays, as they looked to work on the situation should they need it later in the year.

It wasn't all small ball, though, and Lambert, Sydney Peal and Courtney Cain all hit home runs in the first game and Lambert batted 7 for 10 on the day.

Tyree Burke was 4 for 4 in Game 1, and Peal was 3 for 4.

In Game 2, Amie Coffinan came on strong at the plate driving in three runs in a 2 for 5 game, and freshman Kaeleh Hall gave the team a boost going 2 for 3 with two runs and one RBI.

UP NEXT Weston-McEwen play at Irrigon in a league doubleheader on Friday starting at 1 p.m.

Umatilla (1-14, 0-8) will host Riverside in a single game on Tuesday at 4 p.m.

Game 1				R	H	E
W-M	5(10)3	11	—	20	16	0
UHS	001	00	—	1	3	5

W — B. Hillmick, L — Trujillo, 2B — J. Lambert, T. Burke, C. Cain (W-M); Alurez (UHS), HR — J. Lambert, S. Peal, C. Cain (W-M).

Game 2				R	H	E
W-M	446	35	—	22	15	3
UHS	000	12	—	3	2	6

W — J. Lambert, L — Trujillo, 2B — S. Peal, B. Hillmick, K. Hall, J. Lambert 2 (W-M), 3B — T. Burke (W-M).

UNION 11-15, HEPPNER 0-1 — At Union, the Bobcats shot past the Mustangs in two run-rule shortened outings on Friday in Special District 6 competition.

Details from the games were not available.

UP NEXT Heppner (8-10, 2-6 SD6) hosts Pilot Rock for a league doubleheader on Friday starting at 11 a.m.

MLB

Mariners' Miranda tops Cleveland

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CLEVELAND — Ariel Miranda allowed two hits and pitched into the sixth inning, Robinson Cano and Ben Gamel homered and the Seattle Mariners defeated the Cleveland Indians 3-1 on Friday night.

Miranda (2-2) didn't give up a hit until Jose Ramirez's one-out homer in the fourth. The left-hander, making his first career appearance against the Indians, struck out seven in 5 1/3 innings.

Cano hit a two-run homer in the fourth. Gamel added a solo shot in the sixth, a towering drive to right.

Three pitchers combined to strike out 14 against the defending AL champions. Edwin Diaz recorded the final four outs, three on strikeouts, for his fourth save. He struck out Edwin Encarnacion with a runner on to end the eighth and pitched a perfect ninth.

Carlos Carrasco (2-2) gave up both home runs and struck out seven in eight innings.

Seattle won its third straight



Seattle Mariners starting pitcher Ariel Miranda delivers in the first inning of a baseball game against the Cleveland Indians, Friday, April 28, 2017, in Cleveland.

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despite the absence of Nelson Cruz, who was scratched because of a tight hamstring. The Mariners cleanup hitter leads the AL with 19 RBIs.

Miranda walked two in the first and pitched around a two-out fielding error by third baseman Kyle Seager in the second. Ramirez's long fly toward the bleachers in the fourth was ruled a double, but the call was reversed after a review.

Carrasco retired nine in a row after allowing a double to start the game. Gamel led off the fourth with a double and Cano homered to center. Cano is batting .411 (7 for 17) with two homers and six RBIs in his career against the right-hander.

The Indians, who had won seven of nine, managed

only four hits. Francisco Lindor singled in the sixth, but James Pazos struck out Encarnacion and Ramirez.

TRAINER'S ROOM Mariners: RHP Steve Chisek (left hip) is dealing with mechanical issues on his minor league rehab, but is having no physical problems coming off surgery for a torn labrum.

UP NEXT Mariners: RHP Yovani Gallardo will start against Cleveland for the first time since 2009 in the series' second game. He's gone 5-plus innings in each of his five starts this season.

Indians: RHP Danny Salazar allowed three runs in the first inning and got the loss in his last start against the White Sox.

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