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## LEGION BASEBALL

# HODGEN DISTRIBUTING SPLITS WITH THE WILD



Staff photo by Benjamin Lonergan

Hodgen Distributing's catcher Blake Swanson tags out a Mt. Spokane player at home plate during a doubleheader Tuesday afternoon.

## Beers gets two homers against Mt. Spokane in final home doubleheader

By **BRETT KANE**  
*East Oregonian*

**P**ENDLETON — Hodgen Distributing's final home appearance of the season may have ended in a split on Tuesday, but Ty Beers played some of the best ball he has all summer.

The incoming Buckaroo junior hit two home runs, hit 7-for-9, and scored five runs and five RBIs during the Pendleton 17U legion team's doubleheader against the visiting Mt. Spokane Wild. His performance helped his team to a 9-8 win in the opener, but couldn't save them from dropping game two, 15-7.

"Ty's great," Pendleton head coach Wes Armstrong said. "He'll occasionally go through some inconsistencies, but what you're seeing from him now is what we got from him during the

last half of the high school season. He's a strong hitter."

The Wild was quick to bring the firepower with a three-run lead in the top of the first inning, but catcher Blake Swanson notched a two-RBI single in the bottom of the inning that helped Pendleton catch up. It would secure his perfect 1-for-1 showing in game one — he drew a pair of walks as the game progressed.

With two outs on the board, Nic

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## Vogelbach's homer lifts Mariners to first interleague win

By **RICH ROVITO**  
*Associated Press*

**MILWAUKEE** — Daniel Vogelbach hit a two-run homer to lift the Seattle Mariners to an 8-3 win over the Milwaukee Brewers on Tuesday night for their first interleague win in five tries this season.

Marco Gonzales (9-6) pitched five innings to earn his fourth consecutive win for the Mariners, who are playing at Miller Park for the first time since 2010. Four Mariners' relievers shut out the Brewers over the final four innings.

After the Brewers got a run in the first, the Mariners scored four times in the third off Milwaukee starter Zach Davies (7-2). J.P. Crawford drove in a run with a triple and Domingo Santana plated another with a double off the glove of Milwaukee shortstop Orlando Arcia. Vogelbach capped it with his 19th homer, a two-run, 419-foot shot into the second deck in right.

Seattle added two more runs in the fourth, aided by shoddy fielding by the Brewers. Mac Williamson drew a lead-off walk, reached second on one throwing error and scored on another. A second run came across on a Crawford's ground out.

Dee Gordon's run-scoring double in the fifth extended the lead to 7-1.

Yasmani Grandal hit a solo homer and Jesus Aguilar had a run-scoring single for Milwaukee in the fifth off Gonzales, who gave up eight hits and three runs.

Davies gave up six hits and six runs in four innings.

### TRAINER'S ROOM

**Mariners:** RHP Sam Tuivailala, who is recovering from a torn right Achilles tendon sustained last year, surrendered five runs (four earned) and five hits in just two-thirds of an inning in a rehab assignment on Sunday for Class A Everett.

**Brewers:** OF Lorenzo Cain sat out after having a cryotherapy procedure on his right thumb in Los Angeles earlier in the day. "It just

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# Eyeing the future, Orioles introduce No. 1 pick Rutschman

By **DAVID GINSBURG**  
*Associated Press*

**BALTIMORE** — The Baltimore Orioles interrupted their miserable 2019 season to introduce a sliver of hope for the future: Adley Rutschman, the top overall pick in the Major League Baseball draft.

Rutschman sat alongside general manager Mike Elias during a news conference Tuesday at Camden Yards before the Orioles were to face the San Diego Padres, whose most notable player, Manny Machado, was nabbed by Baltimore with the third selection in the 2010 draft.

Machado became a star, but the Orioles traded him away last year in the midst of a 115-loss season because they couldn't afford to keep him beyond 2018.

Now in the process of a major rebuild, Elias is counting on Rutschman — a switch-hitting catcher from Oregon State — to become a key figure in the team's rise to respectability.

After mulling over several options, Elias

settled on Rutschman and bestowed upon him an \$8.1 million signing bonus, the largest ever provided to an MLB draft pick.

Elias termed the selection of Rutschman as "probably the biggest decision this organization is going to make this year."

Whether the 21-year-old rises to his potential will be determined soon enough, but at this point there is no understating his importance to a franchise that finished with the worst record in the majors last year and appears well on its way to duplicating that lamentable feat this season.

"We couldn't be more thrilled, having him be a part of the process we're going through to take this organization back to where it belongs," Elias said. "We are in a phase right now where we are looking for building blocks, and I think by signing Adley Rutschman, we found a very big piece."

Rutschman intended to take batting practice with the team and was to be introduced

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AP Photo/Nick Wass

Baltimore Orioles first-round draft pick Adley Rutschman takes batting practice before a baseball game against the San Diego Padres on Tuesday in Baltimore.

## SPORTS SHORTS

### Breakdancing takes step closer to Olympic debut in Paris

By **GRAHAM DUNBAR**  
*Associated Press*

**LAUSANNE**, Switzerland — Breakdancing moved a step closer to the 2024 Olympics on Tuesday, and now organizers can look to book a street venue in Paris.

Called breaking in Olympic circles, its medal debut was last October at the Buenos Aires Youth Summer Games. The street dance

competitions will have 16 athletes in each of the men's and women's medal events in Paris.

IOC members formally endorsed requests from Paris officials in February and their own executive board in March to provisionally add breakdancing to the program, pending a final decision in December 2020.

Paris wants to add four sports to its program, though the other three — skateboarding, sport climbing,

and surfing — will make Summer Games debuts in Tokyo next year.

"It's important for us in our concept to put sports out of the stadiums and in the heart of the city," said Tony Estanguet, the Paris 2024 president.

Estanguet said the search for a venue will only start Wednesday now his fellow International Olympic Committee members have added their approval.



AP Photo/Jean-Christophe Bott

International Olympic Committee, IOC, President Thomas Bach from Germany speaks during the 134th Session of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), at the SwissTech Convention Centre in Lausanne, Switzerland on Tuesday.