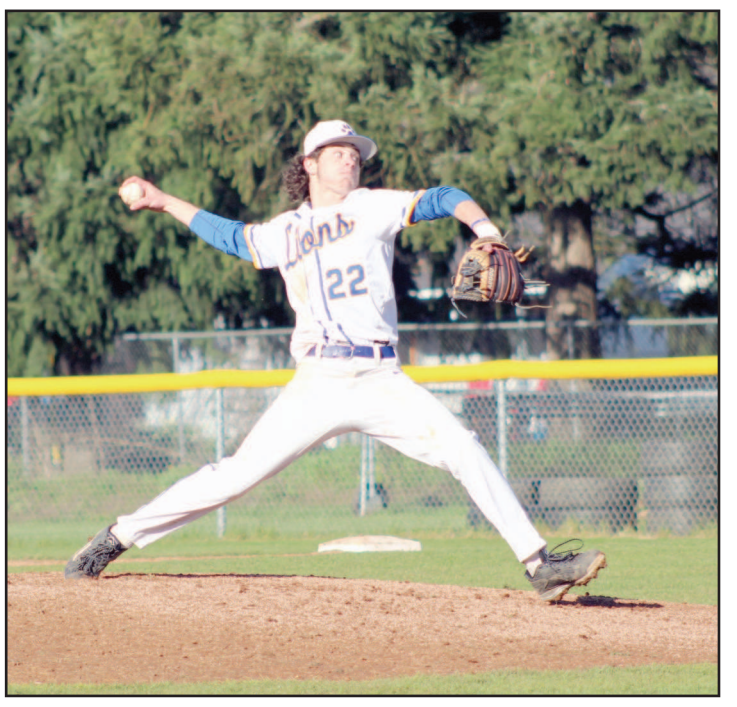
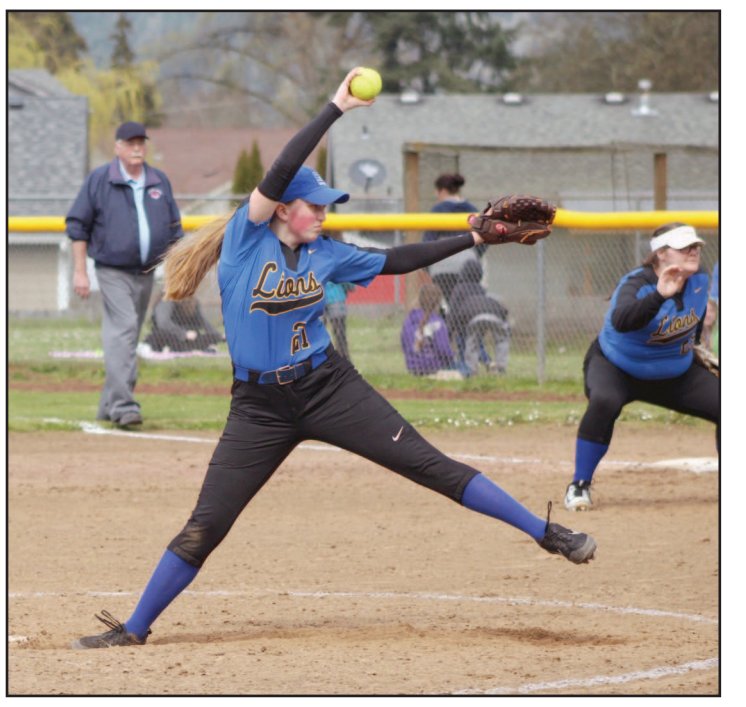
Play Ball: Cottage Grove begins league play

With non-league games in the books, a look at what the teams have done and what they are looking to do



Wyatt Sayles has been a steadying force for the Lions this season.



Cottage Grove's Chloe Malmstedt pitches against North Marion.

CGHS Baseball (3-5):

For the Lions, the season has so far been full of ups and downs. After a win over a strong Douglas team that is otherwise undefeated it looked as if things were trending up before the team dropped three of their next four including getting shutout twice in that span.

What the team has on their side is the play of Jaace Cross and Wyatt Sayles. Offensively, the duo currently has 20 of the team's 42 hits and are both red hot hitting .500 and .455 respectively. They are the engine that makes the team go. And defensively, Sayles has shown that when he is on the mound the Lions can be in any game.

Heading into league play, the team to beat is Junction City. The Tigers are the only Sky-Em team ranked in the top 10 in the state but more fearful than their ranking is the team's offense. Junction City currently has the scored the second most runs in 4A with 63. While an imperfect stat at the moment due to the fact that not every team has played the same amount of games, the Tigers have scored at least 11 runs three times this season.

CGHS Softball (2-4):

After going 1-43 in the last two seasons, the goal for the Lions coming into the season was to start being competitive in games. The Lions have done that and some as they have already won two games on the season including a 16-10 victory over Valley Catholic after losing to them 13-3 earlier in the season.

Unfortunately for the team, the regular season beginning and wins are going to be even harder to come by. The Sky-Em League currently features three teams ranked in the top 11 in the state with Elmira (3), Junction City (4) and Sweet Home (11). The Tigers have given up 26 runs this season (Sisters just 20 on the year) while Cottage Grove gave up 26 runs last Thursday. A win against one of those three teams seems to be a near impossible feat. Games against Sutherlin, currently ranked 19th, are not much easier as the team is currently 4-2 on the year and still have a +28-run differential on the season. The games that should be circled on the calendar are the three games against Sisters. The Outlaws (1-6) have given up an average of 18 runs per game this season.

Sky-Em Baseball:

Sutherlin	6-3
Junction City	6-3
Sisters	5-3
Sweet Home	4-3
Elmira	3-4
Cottage Grove	3-5

Sky-Em Softball:

Elmira	8-1
Junction City	7-1
Sweet Home	7-2
Sutherlin	4-2
Cottage Grove	2-4
Sisters	1-6

CG Speedway Results – Easter at the Races: Late Models, Main Event, 30 Laps

1. Joey Tanner
2. Chuck Christian
3. Kye Frick
4. Preston Luckman
5. Brad Short
6. Lynn McDonald
7. Justin Ryker
8. Randy Barley
9. Jeremy Short
10. Jerry Phillips
11. Andrew Short
12. Darren Coffell
13. Casey Vitale
14. Ryan Ronning

Quality RV Hornets, 20 Laps

1. Josh Corley
2. Graig Osborne
3. Eric Ashley
4. KC Scott
5. Bradd Moffett
6. Robert Fetter
7. Joe Maricle
8. Mike Swaim
9. Gavin Ropchan
10. Matt Ferguson
11. Scott Britton
12. Don Briggs Sr.
13. William Beggs
14. Jason Soutenburgh
15. Max Sanford
16. Brandon Norton
17. William Beggs
18. Joey Elwess
19. Travis Hillsman

GOLF Scores

Middlefield Men's Club
Monday 3/26/2018
Game: 3, 2 Best Ball

First Place: -21
Darrell Lee, Don Perkins, Keith Rowling, Gary Welch BD

Second Place (tie): -17
Jim Cunningham, Larry Eyman, Bob McCarty, Larry Strickland

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Mel Gowing, Gary Welch, Steve Lindholm, Gary Sparks

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Bill Avery, Frank Gates, Phil Hamilton, Darrell Lee BD

Second Place (tie): -17
Gary Ingram, Gary Rider, Mike Stahl, Larry Zuvich

Sixth Place: -12
Larry Emery, Jerry Pennington, Jim Wamsley, Dave Tooker

Seventh Place: -5
Tom Marx, Pat Rickard, Jerry Singer, Peter Old

Low Gross:
Jerry Singer: 72
Gary Sparks: 74
Bill Avery: 78

Low Net:
Don Perkins: 64
Larry Strickland: 64
Gary Ingram: 65
Jerry Pennington: 65
Keith Rowling: 65

Closest to the Pin:
#5 Mike Stahl
#7 Jerry Pennington
#14 Mel Gowing

Longest Putt:
#16 Steve Lindholm

Men's Club
Monday 3/29/2018
Game: 2, 3 Points

First Place (tie): 112
Don Hanly, Gary Ordway, Jim Wamsley, Mel Gowing BD

First Place (tie): 112
Jim Cunningham, Phil Jones, Jerry Singer, Mike Stahl

Third Place: 108
Mel Gowing, Gary Ingram, Steve Lindholm, Larry Strickland

Fourth Place: 104
Bill Avery, Tom Arney, Ed Prunkl, Al Nelson

Fifth Place: 103
Larry Emery, Bob McCarty, Gary Sparks, John Kallbrier

Sixth Place: 100
Ricky Ambrose, Larry Eyman, Don Perkins, Ed Prunkl BD

Seventh Place: 98
Frank Gates, Deross Kinkade, Gary Nicolay, Jerry Pennington

Low Gross:
Deross Kinkade: 73
Tim Martin: 78
Gary Sparks: 79
Larry Zuvich: 79

Low Net:
Jim Wamsley: 62
Don Hanly: 64
Darrell Lee: 65
Gary Ordway: 65
Phil Jones: 65
Ed Prunkl: 66
Jim Cunningham: 66

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