

**BASEBALL**

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the day and secured a win for the Cottage Grove seniors in their last regular season game at Kelly Field.

"I think senior day is sometimes tough because these kids are thinking, gosh this is my last game. They're not focused on what needs to happen. Family is here, parents they want to impress," said Geiszler. "They want to go out and hit a homerun their last home game of their senior year. And that was part of the issue, too. No excuses but sometimes there are reasons."

Geiszler was not the only one who noticed a change on senior night.

"It was different. Those first two at-bats, I was really nervous. I don't know why I couldn't shake it," said senior

catcher Jaace Cross who has seen playing time on varsity since his sophomore season. "Just nerve-racking."

Regardless of how this game went, Cross is ready for the final stretch of the season.

"We're right in the mix," he said. "Just got to put it together and battle. I'm ready to make it to the playoffs."

On Friday, Cottage Grove started the day with a 4-2 loss at Junction City. Both teams put together four hits each but three errors by the Lions contributed to the loss. In the second game, Junction City flexed their hitting power coming up with 12 hits in a 12-1 victory.

With three games left to play (and the Sisters game yesterday that occurred after our deadline) the Lions have a double-header against Sweet Home Friday followed by the final game against the season against Sutherlin.

The Lions are 1-2 against those teams this season.

The Lions are currently in fourth place. The top three teams in the league automatically qualify for playoffs. The fourth team is eligible for an at-large bid.



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Cottage Grove's Jaxon Simmons rounds third and sprints home for a run last Tuesday against Elmira.

"If I'm being flat out honest, if we can just split the double-headers and win one of the Tuesday games. ...Win seven or eight games. Eight, ideally," said Geiszler.

"Probably not going to get first but we'll be in there somewhere and that's what we want to do. If we can go 3-3 in the

last six, I would be pretty happy. You know, considering the teams we're playing. We're playing some tough teams. You know that's not always a great thing to say as a coach but if... we were in or out of the playoffs saying hey, 8-7 in league, not bad."

**Woods moves up in record books**

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Last Friday at the Stayton Twilight Meet, Cottage Grove's Jacob Woods stole the show.

Woods scored 26 points by himself at the meet finishing first in the 200 and second in both the 100 and long jump.

For perspective, if he had competed as his own team, he would have finished in 11th of the 21 teams in the team competition; one spot ahead of Junction City. This was in addition to anchoring the 4 x 100 team that featured Hayden Glenn, Cooper Ladd and Juice Clafin to a third-place finish.

In the 200, Woods ran a per-

sonal best time of 22.64. This time now gives him the fourth fastest time in school history. In the 100 he finished in a time of 11.14 which was also a personal best and puts him in a six-way tie for third fastest 100 at CGHS. Woods also finished second in the long jump with a jump of 20 feet, five inches.

As a team, the Lions finished in third place with 76.5 points behind Hockinson, a team from Washington, in first with 81.5 points and fellow 4A team Newport finished with 81 points on the day.

Elsewhere on the track James Talley took first in the 1500, while Konrad Raum and Jesse Ellingworth were second and third in the 3000. Clafin

finished fourth in the 110m hurdles while Hunter Hall was fourth in shot put.

The Cottage Grove girls team finished in fifth place with 44 points.

Freshman Matty Ladd finished second in high jump with a clearance of five feet while teammate Avery Hutchins finished fifth in the event. Adelle Kent was third in pole vault while Hayle Maitia finished sixth in the competition.

The team also picked up points with fifth place finishes from the 4x100 team that included Ladd, Faryn Dahlen, Tara Child and Zarah Wemple. Wemple also finished fifth in the 100 while Sabrina James finished fifth in the 800.

**STANDINGS:**

Team	Sky-Em Baseball: League	Overall
Junction City	9-2	15-5
Sweet Home	7-4	11-7
Sisters	6-3	12-6
Cottage Grove	5-6	8-12
Sutherlin	4-7	10-10
Elmira	0-9	3-13

  

Team	Sky-Em Softball: League	Overall
Junction City	9-0	16-1
Elmira	8-3	17-7
Sweet Home	7-4	14-6
Sutherlin	5-6	11-8
Cottage Grove	1-8	3-12
Sisters	1-10	2-17

  

Team	2A/1A SD3 Baseball: League	Overall
Monroe (2A)	9-0	12-4
Oakridge (2A)	8-1	11-2
N. Douglas (1A)	7-2	10-7
Oakland (2A)	6-3	8-7
Elk/Yonc (1A)	6-6	7-7
Lowell (1A)	0-12	0-15
Mohawk (1A)	0-12	0-16

  

Team	2A/1A SD3 Softball: League	Overall
N. Douglas (1A)	9-0	14-3
Monroe (2A)	8-1	9-4
Oakland (2A)	7-2	10-5
Lowell (1A)	6-6	6-11
Oakridge (2A)	3-6	3-10
Mohawk (1A)	2-10	2-13
Yonc/Elkton (1A)	1-11	3-14

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