

SUMMER BASEBALL

Youth baseball schedules

American Legion, Division I and Division II Junior baseball teams

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Albany (DH), 4 p.m. Division I Junior Baseball: Central at Lebanon, 6 p.m. Division II Junior Baseball: Corvallis at Dallas, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 25
Baseball: American Legion: Roseburg at Demarini Dirtbags, 5 p.m. Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas vs. TBA at Bend Tournament, TBA. Division II Junior Baseball: Kennedy at Dallas, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 26
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas vs. TBA at Bend Tournament, TBA. Central at Philomath Tournament. Division II Junior baseball: Silverton at Dallas, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 27
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas vs. TBA at Bend Tournament, TBA. Central at Philomath Tournament, TBA.

SUNDAY, JUNE 28
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas vs. TBA at Bend Tournament, TBA. Central at Philomath tournament.

MONDAY, JUNE 29
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Klamath Falls, 4 p.m. Division II Junior Baseball: Lebanon at Dallas, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 30
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Medford, noon.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Grants Pass, 2 p.m. Division II Junior Baseball: South Salem at Dallas, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 2
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Western Oregon Baseball Tournament, TBA. Division I Junior Baseball: Central at Sprague, 5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 3
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Corvallis Tournament, TBA. Division I Junior Baseball: Astoria at Dallas (DH), 11 a.m. Division II Junior Baseball: West Salem at Dallas, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 4
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Corvallis Tournament, TBA.

SUNDAY, JULY 5
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Corvallis Tournament, TBA.

MONDAY, JULY 6
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: McKay at Dallas, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 7
Baseball: American Legion: Florence at Demarini Dirtbags, 2 p.m. Division II Junior Baseball: Dallas at Silverton, 5:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Florence (DH), 1 p.m. Division I Junior Baseball: Corvallis at Dallas, 6 p.m. McNary at Central, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 9
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball:



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Dallas' Tanner Earhart will play for Dallas' Division I Junior Baseball team during the summer season.

South Salem at Dallas, 6 p.m. Central at Sweet Home, 6 p.m. Division II Junior Baseball: Dallas at McNary, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 10
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas at Central, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 11
Baseball: American Legion: The Yard at Demarini Dirtbags (DH), 2 p.m. Division I Junior Baseball: Silverton at Central (DH), 11 a.m. Division II Junior Baseball: Dallas at league playoff vs. TBA, TBA.

SUNDAY, JULY 12
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Putnam (DH), 2 p.m. Division II Junior Baseball: Dallas at league playoff vs. TBA, TBA.

MONDAY, JULY 13
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Philomath at Dallas, 6 p.m. Central at North Salem, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 14
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Central at Philomath, 3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15
Baseball: American Legion: Putnam at Demarini Dirtbags, 5 p.m. Division I Junior Baseball: Silverton at Dallas, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 16
Baseball: American Legion: Toyota Baseball at Demarini Dirtbags, 4 p.m. Division II Junior Baseball: Dallas at state tournament (Willamette), TBA.

FRIDAY, JULY 17
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas at league playoff vs. TBA, TBA. Central at league playoff vs. TBA, TBA. Division II Junior Baseball: Dallas at state tournament (Willamette), TBA.

SATURDAY, JULY 18
Baseball: American Legion: With-

nell at Demarini Dirtbags, 5 p.m. Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas at league playoff vs. TBA, TBA. Central at league playoff vs. TBA, TBA. Division II Junior Baseball: Dallas at state tournament (Willamette), TBA.

SUNDAY, JULY 19
Baseball: American Legion: Demarini Dirtbags at Withnell (DH), 1 p.m. Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas at league playoff vs. TBA, TBA. Central at league playoff vs. TBA, TBA. Division II Junior Baseball: Dallas at state tournament (Willamette), TBA.

MONDAY, JULY 20
Baseball: American Legion: Klamath Falls at Demarini Dirtbags, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 23
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas at state tournament (Crescent Valley/Western Oregon), TBA. Central at state tournament (Crescent Valley/Western Oregon), TBA.

FRIDAY, JULY 24
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas at state tournament (Crescent Valley/Western Oregon), TBA. Central at state tournament (Crescent Valley/Western Oregon), TBA.

SATURDAY, JULY 25
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas at state tournament (Crescent Valley/Western Oregon), TBA. Central at state tournament (Crescent Valley/Western Oregon), TBA.

SUNDAY, JULY 26
Baseball: Division I Junior Baseball: Dallas at state tournament (Crescent Valley/Western Oregon), TBA. Central at state tournament (Crescent Valley/Western Oregon), TBA.



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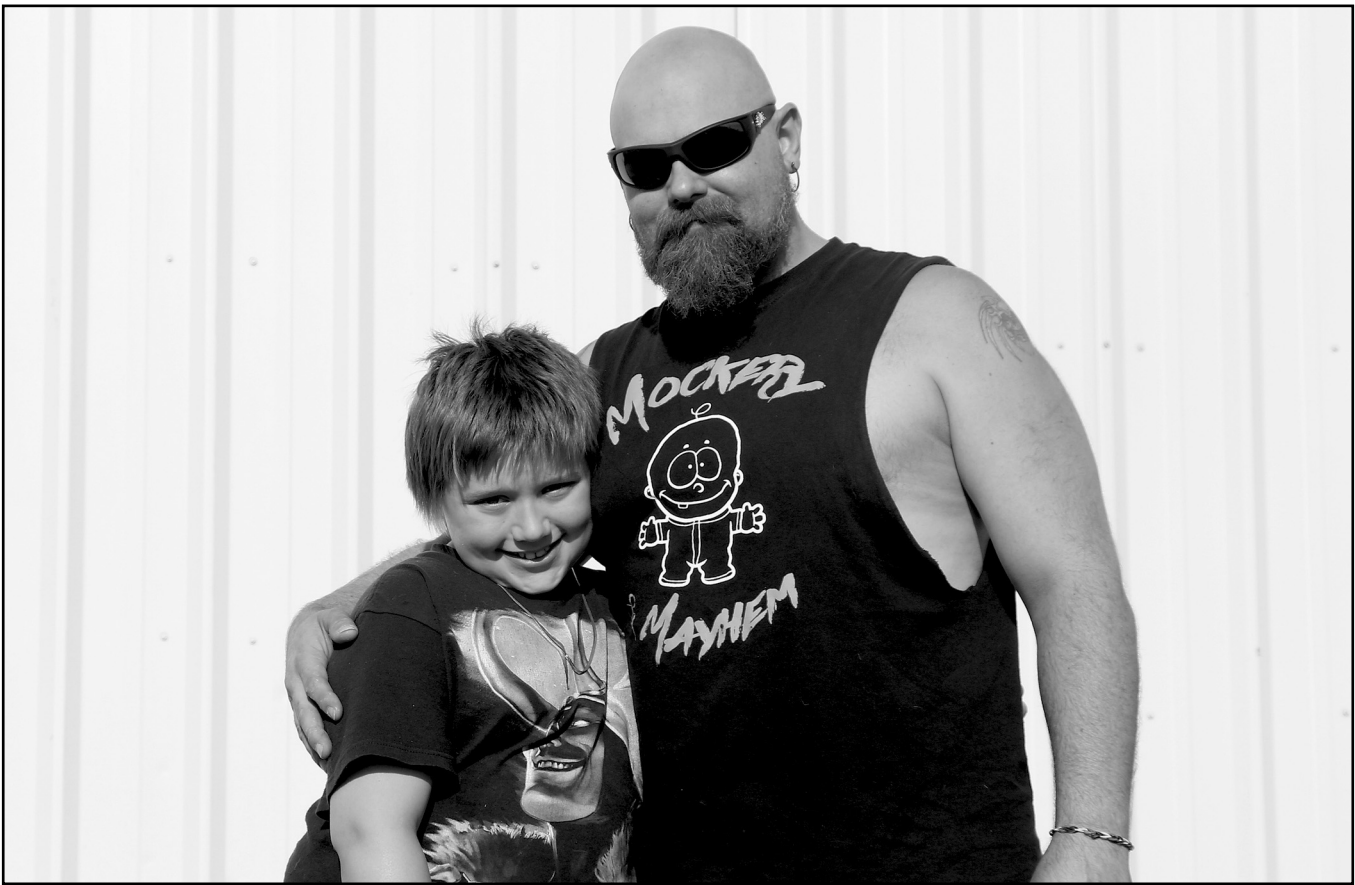
Central pitcher Chris Rech will help the Demarini Dirtbags during the summer baseball season.

Schedules Subject to Change

Dream: Wrestling is a family tradition

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“I was insanely scared,” Watson said. “I was worried I would mess something up or get hurt. I was genuinely afraid.”
He should have been.
It wouldn't take long for Watson to receive his welcome to a new world from his fellow wrestlers.
“One of my fellow wrestlers said to me when we were close to take an elbow,” Watson said. “So I was expecting an elbow. He didn't. He lifted his foot off with what's called a Yakuza kick. I tried to protect myself but I popped his foot up to the top of my teeth and bit into my lips. I was lifted a little bit and smacked on the floor. The gentlemen came up and said, ‘Welcome to the business kid.’”

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Things have changed in the world of wrestling since that moment — and most haven't been for the better. In the past, being a pro wrestler meant you joined a fraternity, one where everyone was looking out for each other.
That's no longer the case, Watson said.
“There's too many people coming in who aren't looking for what they can do to help,” Watson said. “They just want to know what they can get out of it. Some guys train for three months and are in a main event. It's not right. A lot of these guys don't have the experience or even the respect to be in a



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Andrew Watson (right) and his youngest son, Bryson, share a love for professional wrestling.

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position like that.”
Coupled with the rise in popularity of newer sports like mixed martial arts, professional wrestling seems to be losing its place in the world among the public.
“Pro wrestling is a dying industry,” Watson said. “No one wants to see a fake wrestling show.”
But Watson isn't ready to let his lifelong love go down without a fight.

When Watson enters the ring Saturday at the Polk County Fairgrounds, he won't be part of your normal wrestling show that people are used to. Instead, it will be the culmination of work from Revolution Productions NWWA founder Dan Closser over the past few years.
“Dan Closser took a couple of years off to see what

people are doing right and what they're doing wrong,” Watson said. “He started thinking about, what if we did a comedy show that had the high impact and all of the wrestling aspect, but we're not there to take ourselves seriously. We're there to have fun and help the crowd have fun.”
Revolution Pro isn't about doing what's been done before. It wants to provide “the

most entertaining, craziest, fascinating, fun-loving and best professional wrestling in the Pacific Northwest,” Closser said.
That means getting fans directly involved in the action.
“We refer to our fans and followers as the Crew,” Closser said. “They never know when one of them will be participating in the show.”
There will be adult

Sprint Triathlon

What: Pro Revolution Mockery and Mayhem.
When: Saturday, 7 p.m.
Where: Polk County Fairgrounds and Events Center.
Cost: Forest River Employees, \$10; All others 18 and older, \$15. Groups of five or more, \$10 per person.
Of note: Dallas resident Andrew Watson will take part in the professional wrestling comedy show.

humor, but nothing worse than what is on TV, Closser said. Above all else, it will provide an entertaining experience for all.
“There are certain events where a guy barely taps someone and he falls down,” Watson said. “We're not going to have that. We're going to have full-blown smacking each other.”

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Watson's love of wrestling continues to expand through his family. His eldest son, age 17, hopes to begin training to become a professional wrestler soon, while Bryson, age 12, is an avid fan.
Now, Watson hopes his latest wrestling chapter helps ensure a family tradition's future continues.
“I don't know if this will bring the industry back, but we are going to give it an outlet to take a different turn,” Watson said.