

SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

Baseball: Central at Woodburn, 4:30 p.m. Dallas at Lebanon, 4:30 p.m. Sheridan at Perrydale, 4:30 p.m.

Girls golf: Dallas at Mallard Creek (Lebanon), noon.

Softball: Sheridan at Perrydale, 4:30 p.m. Western Oregon at California State, Monterey Bay (DH), 11 a.m.

Track and field: Silverton at Central, 4 p.m. Dallas at Lebanon, 3:45 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31

Boys tennis: Central at Dallas, 4 p.m.

Girls tennis: Dallas at Central, 4 p.m.

Softball: Central at Dallas, 4:30 p.m. Perrydale at Scio, 4:30 p.m.

Track and field: Perrydale at Kennedy, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1

Baseball: Woodburn at Central, 4:30 p.m. Lebanon at Dallas, 4:30 p.m. Perrydale at Kennedy, 4:30 p.m.

Softball: Crescent Valley at Central, 4:30 p.m. South Albany at Dallas, 4:30 p.m. Tournament of Champions (at Turlock, Calif.): Western Oregon vs. San Francisco State, 10 a.m. Western Oregon vs. Dominican University of California, 2 p.m.

Track and field: Dallas at Titan Track Classic, 3 p.m. Western Oregon at Stanford Invitational, all day. Western Oregon at San Francisco State Distance Carnival, all day.

SATURDAY, APRIL 2

Baseball: Western Oregon at Central Washington (DH), noon.

Softball: Tournament of Champions (at Turlock, Calif.): Western Oregon vs. Humboldt State, 11:30 a.m. Western Oregon vs. Azusa Pacific, 4:30 p.m.

Track and field: Falls City at Estacada Small School Invite, 10 a.m. Western Oregon at San Francisco State Distance Carnival, all day.

SUNDAY, APRIL 3

Baseball: Western Oregon at Central Washington (DH), noon.

Softball: Tournament of Champions (at Turlock, Calif.): Western Oregon vs. California State, San Bernardino, 11:30 a.m. Western Oregon vs. Cham-inade, 2 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 4

Boys golf: Dallas at Cross Creek, 11 a.m.

Girls tennis: McMin-ville at Dallas, 4 p.m.

Girls golf: Dallas at Springhill (Albany), 1 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

Baseball: Central at Lebanon, 4:30 p.m. Dallas at Woodburn, 4:30 p.m. Perrydale at Regis, 4:30 p.m.

Boys tennis: Crescent Valley at Central, 4 p.m. South Albany at Dallas, 4 p.m.

Girls tennis: Central at Crescent Valley, 4 p.m. Dallas at South Albany, 4 p.m.

Softball: Central at Lebanon, 4:30 p.m. Dallas at Corvallis, 4:30 p.m. Perrydale at Regis, 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

Baseball: Lebanon at Central, 4:30 p.m. Woodburn at Dallas, 4:30 p.m. St. Paul at Perrydale, 4:30 p.m.

Softball: Central at Silverton, 4:30 p.m. Crescent Valley at Dallas, 4:30 p.m. St. Paul at Perrydale, 4:30 p.m.

Track and field: Dallas at Central, 4 p.m.

Schedules Subject to Change

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

The Strength of the Wolf is the Pack



By Lukas Eggen
The Itemizer-Observer

Next week

• Western Oregon is taking part in a pilot program to promote healthy masculinity in athletics.

MONMOUTH — In the moments after, it hurt. Western Oregon's men's basketball team, fresh off a 74-55 loss to Augustana in the NCAA Division II Final Four on Thursday, didn't feel quite like celebrating yet.

But in the days, weeks and years to come, few will remember the loss that ended the Wolves' season. Most will remember the historic ride the players took their university, fans and community on.

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PHOTOS BY LUKAS EGGEN/Itemizer-Observer
Top: Fans of all ages cheer on Western Oregon's men's basketball team at WOU's on-campus watch party on March 23.

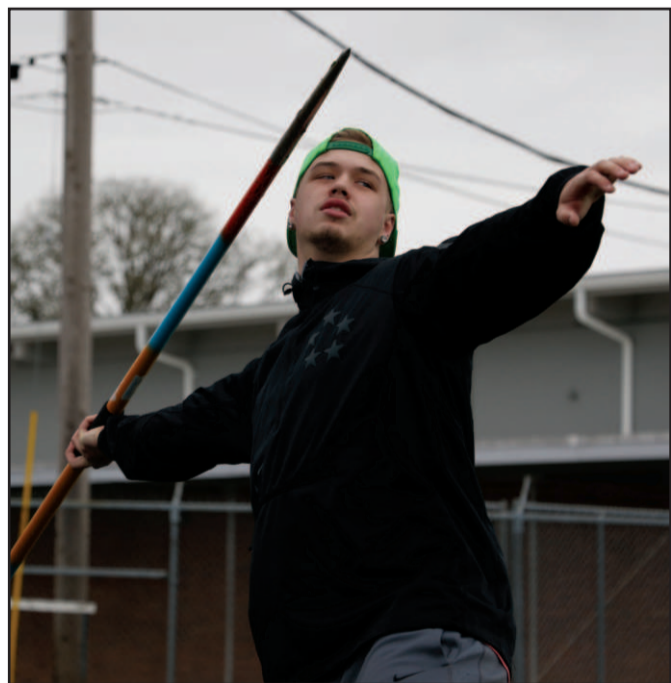
Middle: Janvier Alaby greets fans on Friday afternoon. A group of more than 50 fans awaited the Wolves' return from Frisco, Texas.

Right: Fans await the start of WOU's Elite Eight matchup with Saginaw Valley State on March 23. Western Oregon held a watch party at Independence Cinema, giving fans a chance to check out the game on the ultimate big screen. The theater was sold out.



DALLAS TRACK AND FIELD

Junior hopes to spring ahead to state



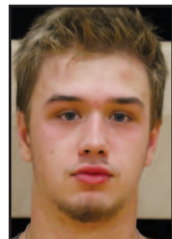
LUKAS EGGEN/Itemizer-Observer
Harrison Broadus works on his form on Friday morning. The junior was one spot short of making state last year.

By Lukas Eggen
The Itemizer-Observer

DALLAS — After playing football and basketball, Harrison Broadus was ready to enjoy a lightened load during the spring of his freshman year.

Track and field coach Bill Masei had other ideas. His javelin squad was in desperate need of another arm. Broadus seemed like a match made in heaven.

"I knew he was a quarterback and had a strong arm," Masei said. "I thought if he can throw a football really far then he can throw a



Broadus

On your marks ...

• Dallas junior Harrison Broadus enters his second full season of track and field this spring.
• The three-sport athlete also started at quarterback for the football team and played forward on the varsity basketball squad.
• Broadus came within one place of qualifying for the 2015 state track and field meet.

javelin really far."

It took a little convincing, but Broadus eventually gave in and joined the team.

During his first year, Broadus decided to see just how difficult throwing a javelin was.

"I didn't know much about it. (Coach Masei) said to throw it like a quarterback so I just came out and threw it," he said.

He quickly found out there was a little bit more to it than that.

"There's a lot of technique to it," Broadus said. "That was kind of surprising."

The throwing mechanic wasn't quite the same, more similar to throwing darts than a football, Masei said.

By his sophomore year, Broadus began to gain a better understanding on the throwing mechanics and threw a personal best of 162 feet at the Mid-Willamette Conference district track and field meet.

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