

QUICK HITS

Nygaard named Player of the Week

ISSAQUAH, Wash. — Western Oregon senior baseball player Nyle Nygaard was named the West Coast League Player of the Week for June 19-25.

Nygaard went 8-for-12, including two doubles and a home run with four RBIs with the Cowlitz Black Bears.

Nygaard was named the Great Northwest Athletic Conference Newcomer of the Year as a junior during the 2017 season.

Registration open for scavenger hunt

DALLAS — Registration is open for the Dallas High School Booster Club's SummerQuest Scavenger Hunt Fun Run, held July 29 at 5 p.m.

Teams can contain two to six members, and walkers or runners are welcome. Each adult team member will receive a cinch bag to collect clues and artifacts along the route, and at least one team member must have a smartphone to receive texts from the race director.

Cost is \$25 for team members 13 and older and \$10 for team members 12 and younger.

The hunt begins at the Academy Building, where you will receive your first list of clues. Teams may use any media to figure out answers to clues and directions. Any non-shoed form of transport is not allowed.

Each team member will receive a complimentary beverage (beer, cider or root beer) that can be redeemed at the West Valley Tap House beer garden located at the Academy Building.

The hunt will lead participants through Dallas City Park and along the streets during Summerfest.

Proceeds will benefit Dallas High School athletic programs.

To register: www.runsignup.com/summerquest.

For more information: trenda@DHSBoosterClub.org.

Cross Creek women's club results

DALLAS — Cross Creek Women's Club results for June 26.

Blind draw best ball
1, Laurilee Hatcher-Karen Goodwin, 24; 2, Julie Hertel-Susan Austermilller, 27; 3, Loretta Bishop-Darlene Powers, 29.



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Los Angeles Chargers receiver Tyrell Williams speaks to campers during his Offensive Skills Camp on Thursday.

Williams leads camp

By Lukas Eggen
The Itemizer-Observer

MONMOUTH — It was a situation former Western Oregon and current Los Angeles Chargers receiver Tyrell Williams had been in numerous times growing up: Standing in line, waiting for a chance to meet an NFL player.

"It definitely took me back," Williams said. "I remember waiting in line to get signatures after a football camp and just feeling that excitement."

This time, Williams wasn't the star-struck kid; he was the one kids waited to meet.

Williams held his first Offensive Skills Camp on Thursday at Western Oregon University with around 150 campers participating.

"It was good to be out in front of the kids," Williams said. "It was my first camp, and I just wanted everyone to have a fun time."

Williams, along with his father, WOU coaches and players, helped lead the four-hour camp, which included various drills.

Afterward, Williams signed autographs and took photos with those in attendance.

For Anabel Galindo and her son, Marco, the camp was extra special.

The Galindos are lifelong



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Quarterbacks take part in a drill during Tyrell Williams' Offensive Skills Camp at Western Oregon University.

Chargers fans, and the chance to take part in a camp run by the Chargers' leading receiver during the 2016-17 season was too

good to pass up. "We thought it was an awesome opportunity," Anabel said. "We're really thankful to have a big NFL person

doing something like this." For his part, Williams wanted to keep the focus on having fun.

"I wanted them to have a

good time," he said. "I didn't want them standing around a lot and wanted to teach them as much as I can."

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MONMOUTH-INDEPENDENCE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Tennis tournament draws 58 players



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Robert Sanchez and Venedict Matveev, from Woodburn, play a doubles match on Sunday morning.

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INDEPENDENCE — Robert Sanchez, of Woodburn, loves tennis.

The 2017 Woodburn High graduate played throughout high school and has competed in United States Tennis Association tournaments.

The Monmouth-Independence Fourth of July tennis tournament is one he makes sure never to miss each year.

"I've been doing this tournament for a while," he said. "It's real cool. It helps build a community. On Saturday, I play singles and doubles. I show up at 8 a.m. and can play all day long. I like that. I've done other tournaments where you play one match a day and then go home."

Sanchez's doubles partner,

Venedict Matveev, has been playing in the tournament for two years and has fallen in love with how it is run.

"One of the bigger aspects is the community," Matveev said. "There are so many people here, and we're all here to play tennis. We share the same fun sport."

The chance to share stories with each other proved just as entertaining and valuable as competing for a trophy.

"You can talk to an old player about how they played back in the day," Matveev said. "I think that's really awesome and just a great experience."

The two-day tournament featured singles and doubles brackets for men and women. There were also mixed doubles and father/daughter and mother/son brackets.

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