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Annie Heyen spikes the ball in a game against the Loggers. The team won three of the four sets.

Volleyball team off to good start

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The Warrenton Warriors volleyball team beat the Knappa Loggers last week in the season opener, although it was a non-league match-up for both teams.

It wasn't a pretty beginning for the Warriors, losing the first set 25-16. They looked overpowered, over matched. But then they came alive.



Courtesy Debbie Morrow

"These are the Cardiac Kids," Coach Staci Miethe said after the match. "They will take a good beginning lead and then let it diminish, giving me a heart attack from the sidelines."

"But they never give up, they never surrender. They fight to the end."

They won the next three sets 25-21, 25-22, and 25-23.

The team hosted a 14-team invitational tournament Saturday, placing fourth, and then lost 3-1 against Yamhill-Carlton on Tuesday. They were scheduled to play Portland Christian on Thursday.

Warriors show promise in home jamboree

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Warrenton football hosted its season opener Aug. 30 in a jamboree against the Knappa Loggers and Salem Academy Crusaders.

There were no winners or losers, but an opportunity to assess the teams' prospects.

Warriors head coach Ian O'Brien was feeling good about the upcoming season.

"There were many positives we can take away from the jamboree," he said.

"Our kids played assignment sound on both sides of the ball. I thought Sam Irwin played with outstanding

effort. And it was good to see some younger linebackers step up and make some plays."

Ethan Jackson and Ethan Green both did well as did Devin Jackson with two sacks, he said.

"Nic Pior and the rest of the defensive line did a good job getting some push up front," O'Brien said.

"Our offensive line did a good job too, but we need to do a better job sustaining blocks, and running our feet to finish. Jacob Morrow threw the ball well and Hordie Bodden Bodden and Austin Little made some nice plays."

The Warriors host Yam-

hill-Carlton at 7 p.m. today at the high school's Mattila Field. It's also military appreciation night, with free hot dogs, hamburgers and information booths.

"Yamhill missed the playoffs last year, but they will be ready to go," O'Brien said. "We will be too."



Left: The Warriors' Devin Jackson (44) makes a run for the end zone.

Top Right: Austin Little tackles Knappa's Kanai Phillip.

Right: Austin Little (7) goes up for a pass.

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