

Volleyballers in a good place for league

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Tuesday night's game against the Clatskanie Tigers got a late start.

The stands were full of gossip -- intense discussions of the importance of the night's volleyball competition.

Were the Warriors to win the next two matches -- tonight's game and then Thursday's against Willamina -- they would be the league champs.

They'd lost to Willamina earlier in the season, but, according to the buzz, Willamina lost to Rainier, a team Warrenton handily defeated.

There were still eight minutes on the warm-up clock.

Warrenton's head coach, Stacie Miethe, was leaning against the stage.

"Actually, tonight will have no effect on league; Thursday, against Willamina, will, though," she said when asked about the veracity of the gossip.

"If Willamina wins, it means they have had two face-to-face wins over us," Miethe said. "And so, they would be the league's champs."

Things have changed over the course of the season, she said.

"Last time we played them, we didn't have the offensive attacks to overcome their defense. We have revamped,



Bruce Dustin

The Warriors discuss strategy early in their game with Clatskanie.

Jamie (Annat) are coming out tonight with several different attacks.

"Tonight will tell whether we will be effective, not because of a win or loss -- but to see if our tactical changes will make a difference."

Warrenton beat Clatskanie in three sets, 25-17, 25-19, and 25-19, to win Tuesday night's match.

The season hinges on Warrenton's contest at Willamina on Thursday, Oct. 21.

Warrenton's football team is on the road Friday, Oct. 22, against Yamhill Carlton.

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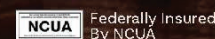
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