

School news

• Total student enrollment within the Warrenton-Hammond School District is 995 in kindergarten through 12th grade, with 300 assigned to the high school, 245 at the middle school, and 450 at the grade school, plus another 35 pre-kindergartners.

• Fifth graders at Warrenton Grade School began a five-week Starbase boot camp this week at Camp Rilea. They'll get a closeup experience with various science, technology, engineering and math activities.

• Students at Warrenton Middle School have some new electives this year. Among the new choices: art, robotics, sports history and statistics, creative writing, how things work, and podcasting.

• The Warrenton Middle School football team is able to practice at home now that the new field is complete. Last year, students at the new campus had to take a bus to the high school to get in their practicing.

GENERAL CALENDAR

• OSU college visit, 9:15 a.m. Oct. 4, WHS.

• Parent-teacher conferences districtwide, Oct. 5-6.

• No school, Oct. 6

SPORTS

• Two athletes of the week that were missed earlier this month are London O'Brien for Sept 5-9 and Payten Buckelew for Sept 12-16.

• WHS Football vs. Valley Catholic at home, 7 p.m. Sept. 23.

• Cross Country 3-course challenge at Camp Rilea, Sept. 24.

• WHS Volleyball vs. Corbett at home, 4:30 p.m. Sept. 27.

• WHS Volleyball vs. Yamhill-Carlton, away, 4:30 p.m. Sept. 28.

• WHS Football vs. Yamhill-Carlton, away, 7 p.m. Sept. 30.



London



Payten

Razor clamming to reopen Oct. 1

Razor clamming is expected to reopen on Clatsop beaches beginning Oct. 1.

The announcement by Oregon Department of Agriculture is contingent on marine toxins remaining below health risk levels.

The annual summer closure is for conservation purposes, allowing newly set young clams to establish themselves. During the closure, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife shellfish biologists assess the population, count the number and size of razor clams within a square meter and sample areas along the entire beach.

There was very low juvenile recruitment (new clams that establish themselves on the beaches) during this year's summer assessment, according to shellfish biologist Matt Hunter.

Just .04 juvenile clams per square meter were found compared with the 18-year average of .71 and last year's 2.59 clams.

Total razor clam (juvenile and mature) abundance is well below the 1.29 average at just .66 clams per square meter and a fraction of last year's 3.73 clams.

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Volleyball defeats Riverdale, loses to Banks

BY BRUCE DUSTIN
For The Columbia Press

There was no bright light shining on the court in the opening volleyball set of Warrenton against Riverdale last week.

The Warriors lost the first round 23-25 against the visiting Mavericks.

But then the sun came out and Warrenton swept the next three sets, 25-6, 25-14, and, finally, 25-18, to win the match.

The Warriors are basking in a 7-4 record for the season.

"It was a great win for us tonight," Coach Kimberly Nichols said after the match. "The stats showed it all. Jamie (Annat) and London (O'Brien) were a strong force. We were awakened after set one and came back to fight."

Melony Zamora, a senior libero (backrow defensive player), said she was pleased about the season so far.

"I'm really confident. We are really doing good," she said. "Yeah, we could always be doing better. We just need to keep working on our chemistry."

Jamie Annat had 17 kills, seven aces, and 11 digs. London O'Brien had two kills, eight aces, and 39 assists. Olivia Ly-



Bruce Dustin

Paige Tingstrom earns a kill against Riverdale.

ons had 29 digs. Aaliyah Watson had six kills, seven aces, and eight digs.

Paige Tingstrom had seven kills. Molina Herrera had 12 digs.

The volleyball team also played an away match Tuesday against Banks losing 1-3. They were expected to have a home game against Rainier on Thursday.

The junior varsity team also has been playing well, Nichols said. The team placed second out of nine teams in the 4A tournament in Seaside, falling to Scappoose in the championship game.

Natalie Pike had 51 assists, 17 digs, 5 kills, and 35 aces; Syrianna Earls had 30 digs and 28 aces; Lucy Smith had 15 kills and four

blocks; Kimber Parris had 25 kills and five blocks; Kaitlynn Gildner had 14 kills.



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