

# Camp Kick-a-Lot returns in July

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The Lower Columbia Youth Soccer Association is announcing the return of its most popular summer program as Camp Kick-A-Lot will be held next month, for both new and experienced soccer players.

Children entering first through eighth grades next fall can join the association's experienced counselors for two weeks filled with team-building activities, fun skill drills and unique challenge games.

Each day of camp has separate theme days and will include a healthy snack.

Registration is open now through July 1.

Week one will be held July 11 to July 15 from 1 to 4 p.m.; the second week will be held July 18 to July 22 from 3 to 6 p.m.

Cost of the camp is \$100 for the first or second week, or \$160 for both weeks. Registration includes one soccer ball and camp T-shirt for each camper.

For more information, email [lcsacamps@gmail.com](mailto:lcsacamps@gmail.com) or go to the organization's website: [lcsasoccer.com](http://lcsasoccer.com).



Young soccer players enjoy a past Lower Columbia Youth Soccer Association summer camp.

# Linn-Benton claims baseball conference title with local help

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The Linn-Benton Roadrunners defeated Mt. Hood Community College last Tuesday afternoon, in the championship game of the Northwest Athletic Conference 2022 baseball season.

The game had several Clatsop County and southwest Washington connections, as the Linn-Benton roster includes Warrenton's Jake Morrow, Astoria graduate Dylan Rush, and Ethan Lindstrom of Naselle.

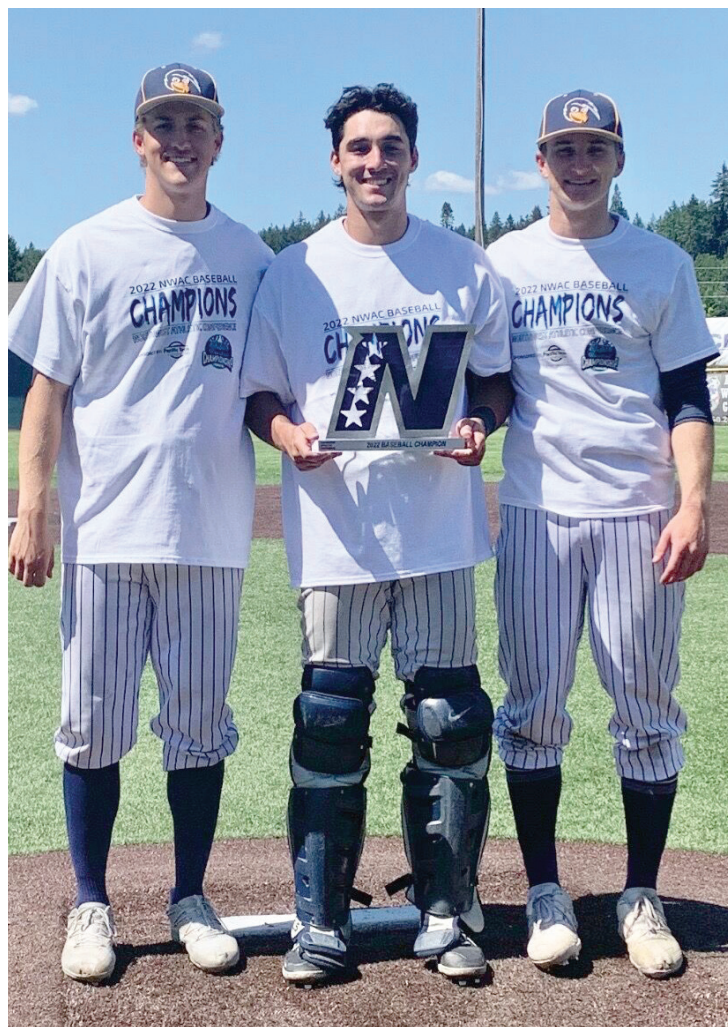
The trio is in its third year at Linn-Benton, but all three are freshman in eligibility. Meanwhile, Knappa's Eli Takalo is a freshman pitcher for Mt. Hood.

Morrow was 0-for-3 with a walk in his final game with Linn-Benton. Lindstrom played but did not have an official at-bat, while Rush and Takalo did not play.

To get to the championship game, Linn-Benton defeated Lane Community College (9-3), Edmonds (6-1) and Lower Columbia College (2-1), with a 15-7 loss to Everett last Monday.

Morrow was 3-for-4, drew a walk and scored twice in Monday's loss. He was 2-for-4 with a triple and drove in a run in the win over Lower Columbia; and he walked three times with one hit and scored three runs in the victory over Edmonds.

Morrow received the tournament's Designated Hitter award on the all-tournament team.



Debbie Morrow

Flanked by Linn-Benton teammates Rhett Larson, left, and Kian Hogan, right, Warrenton's Jake Morrow poses with the Northwest Athletic Conference championship trophy.

In 40 games for the Roadrunners this season, Morrow hit .262 (37-for-141), and scored 24 runs with nine doubles and three triples.

A catcher with Linn-Benton, Morrow will play this summer for the Okotok Dawgs in Canada, returns home in

August, then will begin attending and playing baseball for the University of Washington next fall.

Lindstrom batted .233 with a pair of doubles this season, while Rush was 1-1 on the mound, with one save and a 3.00 earned run average.

## Seaside over Warrenton in junior baseball

Seaside and Warrenton opened the summer junior baseball season Tuesday as the Bulls held off the Warriors, 3-2.

All the scoring took place over the fourth and fifth innings, with Seaside scoring two runs in the fifth on a wild pitch and a passed ball.

Seaside pitchers Cameron Schulte and Luke Calhoun held Warrenton to just one hit, with a combined 11 strikeouts and six walks. Warrenton's Dawson

Little tossed a two-hitter with eight strikeouts and two walks.

## Nine Loggers earn all-league honors

Just as they have dominated Northwest League baseball on the field the past 10 years, the Knappa Loggers also dominate the annual all-league team.

It was no different in 2022, as every starter for league champion Knappa earned all-league honors, with senior Drew Miller selected as both the league Player of the Year and Pitcher of the Year. Coach of the Year

honors went to Dwayne Nowlin of St. Paul, which finished second (14-4) behind the Loggers.

Knappa (18-0 in league play, 21-5 overall) had nine total selections, including six first team and three second team players. Earlier this week, Drew Miller was named as a first team catcher, and Mark Miller as a first team outfielder on the 2A/1A all-state team.

And the Loggers should be locked in as state title contenders for several more years, as junior pitcher Nick Rusinovich and sophomore pitcher Jaxon Dietrichs were both selected second team all-state.



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Warrenton senior Avyree Miethe pitched and hit the Warrior softball team to a second place finish in league play this season. She was selected as the Coastal Range League Player of the Year.

# Miethes gain top league honors

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The Miethe family swept the top individual awards this year, on the Coastal Range All-League softball team, as voted on by the league's coaches.

Senior Avyree Miethe — who recently signed a letter of intent to play at Blue Mountain Community College next season — was selected as the league's Player of the Year, while mom Staci Miethe was named Coach of the Year.

In all, the Warriors had six players selected all-league (including four sophomores and one freshman), while league champion Taft had seven all-leaguers.

The Coastal Range League will look much different next school year.

Warrenton and Rainier will be the only two teams returning to the league. The Coastal Range will lose league champion Taft, along with Clatskanie and Willamina.

Joining the league will be Banks, Corbett, Neah-Kah-Nie, Riverdale and Yamhill-Carlton.

Banks and Corbett both lost in the first round of the 4A state playoffs this season, while No. 1-ranked Yamhill-Carlton lost the 3A state championship to Burns, 3-1.

## THE COASTAL RANGE ALL-LEAGUE SOFTBALL TEAM:

**League champions:** Taft  
**Player of the Year:** Avyree Miethe, Warrenton  
**Coach of the Year:** Staci Miethe, Warrenton  
**First Team**

**Avyree Miethe, Sr., Warrenton**

Olivia Coulter, Sr., Taft  
Laney DeLoe, So., Willamina  
Addie Gates, Sr., Taft  
Nat Gates, Jr., Taft

Jamie Knox, Sr., Rainier

Lacey Makinson, So., Rainier

Emmalee Melvin, Sr., Rainier

Chloe Peterson, Sr., Taft

**Emma Smith, So., Warrenton**

Kylie Thomas, Jr., Clatskanie

**Anjolena Wakefield, So., Warrenton**

**Second Team**

Karielle Carlson, Fr., Clatskanie

Kendall Crape, So., Rainier

Paisley DeLoe, Fr., Willamina

Maddy Diehl, Sr., Willamina

Bridgett Marsh, Jr., Taft

Meagan McClure, Jr., Clatskanie

Cloee McLeod, Sr., Clatskanie

London O'Brien, Fr., Warrenton

Madison Oelhafen, Fr., Willamina

**Jazmin Short, So., Warrenton**

Paige Taylor, So., Clatskanie

Honorable Mention

Delaney Fortelney, So, Rainier

Allyson Hall, Jr., Taft

Talia Marrufo, Sr., Willamina

Reilly Norgren, Sr., Clatskanie

**Kaylie Poe, So., Warrenton**