

Chelan baseball aims for another District Championship

BY DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

CHELAN - The Chelan High School baseball team is getting ready to play ball despite the cold and snowy weather conditions.

In his fifth year coaching the Goats, Dana Papasedero is getting the team ready to compete for a second consecutive District Championship. Last year, the Goats won the championship after defeating the Cashmere Bulldogs 10-6. In the 2017-2018 season the team won 13 out of 19 games and this year Papasedero hopes to win even more.

"We didn't graduate any seniors last year at all, so our team will be pretty much the same ... we can catch up pretty quickly," he said. With 26 committed boys, the Goats will have enough for a varsity and junior varsity teams. Fourteen of the kids will join the varsity and 12 will be on JV.

JV is coached by Evan Reister and Derek Todd. Helping Papasedero with the varsity team is Brandon Boyd. "We expect them to be competitive, our expectations are that we want to go and win baseball games," explained Papasedero in terms of the varsity team. Things are slightly different for the JV team. He mentioned that for them it would be more development, that way they could contribute to varsity in the future.

Key varsity players this season include: seniors Colt Corrigan, Gage Estes and Bryson Darlington; juniors Connor Wilson, Brekin Sporseen and Cade Christopherson, along with sophomore Drake Bird.

"Our strengths are our offense, we got a lot of big kids, the majority of our kids are over six feet tall and big strong kids ... overall strong defense but pitching wise we six or seven deep



2018-2019 Chelan High School baseball team and coaching staff.

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lead by Connor Wilson, Cade Christopherson, Sam Austin, Drake Bird and Kenny Reeves," said coach. Papasedero believes

that the boys' friendship contributes to success of the program. "We are not playing with our teammates, we are playing for our

teammates."

At the moment, the Goats have been practicing in the Mountain Goat Field parking lot and are still uncertain as

when they will get to play their first game due to the weather and snow on the field.

Chelan's softball players to shine under Skip Nondorf's guidance

BY DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

CHELAN - After spending one year as a volunteer and one as assistant coach, Skip Nondorf will take on the softball team as head coach.

The Lady Goats have been working hard leading up to the start of the season. "It's a whole different deal this year than last year, I believe in speed and running ... they have been running hard and it's really good to see," said Nondorf.

Last year, the team lost four graduating seniors, however this year the team will have six returning players available. With five seniors in the roster including; Lexie Gleasman,

Taylor Boykin, Jade Hatherell, Nayeli Zavala and Sierra Shively. "It's their time to shine ... the five are major contributors," said coach

Coach Nondorf believes that the Lady Goats are as good as any other team in league and wants the girls to compete. In the 2017-2018 season, the Lady Goats took third place in the CTL and were able to make it into the state qualifying game. "If we can slide in there and get into state that would be great," he said.

He would also like for the team to receive the GPA award. "Academics are pretty important, we some really good students and they take it serious."



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The Lady Goats are looking to face Ephrata on Saturday, March 16 in a double-header. Due to the

weather conditions Nondorf is sure it won't happen. "If we can get a good solid week of no snow and rain

and a little bit of heat we will be able to play in two weeks," he said. Nondorf encourages the

community, specially the girls' parents to go out and support the softball program at every home game.

Chelan Goats soccer hungry for more

BY DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

CHELAN - Jamie Richards is back for another year as head coach of the Chelan High School boys soccer team along with assistant coach Gilberto Romero.

Returning to the squad are 20 boys, six of them seniors, for a total of 32 varsity and junior varsity players. Thirty-two might seem as a high number, however Richards mentions that the numbers are down from previous years. "We typically have eight to 10 new freshman coming in." This year they only had four.

Richards highlights the important role Salvador Villanueva will play this year for the team, "he's going to be our rock in the middle, players will feed off

him." Jonathan Ramirez, Luis Mendez are also key players as they will be "the spine" of the team with their creativity as they attack.

The Goats won the league title last year, yet for the first time in years they didn't make it passed district qualifiers. The team has been top four in the state three times, they have seven league titles said coach.

Many of the returning players are eager to make it further this time around and coach Richards expects them to take it one game at a time. "If we can grow at each game, we can blossom at the right time, he said.

The team is looking like they will be playing a "pretty game this year." They all are learning at a rapid pace and "they know what they need to do to get to there,"



The 2018-2019 Chelan High School boys' soccer team.

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said Romero.

The coaches encourage the player's parents to

come out and support the team in order to keep them motivated. The Goats will

be facing Kiona Benton at Mountain Goat Field on Saturday, March 16 for a

non-league match (weather permitting), kickoff is scheduled for 11 a.m.

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Chelan Goats golf team to push for state

By DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

CHELAN - With many rule changes, the Chelan High School boys and girls golf team has spent majority of the time reviewing and learning the news rules for the upcoming season.

The team has been practicing full swings indoors at the Community Gym and also practicing their aim. Coaching the teams for the 11th year is Kirk Einspahr, who thinks the team's first time on the golf course will be on March 20.

As every other spring sport, golf has been hit by the unfortunate weather conditions and so far the team's jamboree has been cancelled. "I wouldn't be surprised if anything before spring break gets cancelled at this rate," said coach.

The girls' golf team has three returning players, a senior, junior and a sophomore. While the boys' team has eight returning since only one

senior graduated last year. "I got my number one boy returning, he is only a sophomore this year, he was my number one boy last year as a freshman. He went to state and I expect him to be there and do a better job than he did," Einspahr said.

Last year, the boys' won the CTL league and were District 6 champs, they were undefeated in league matches. Due to this, coach wants the boys' to repeat that accomplishment once again.

The girls' team was defeated during the district championship game last year. In the previous seven years before that they were champions. It would be a great accomplishment if the girls claim back that title this year. Cascade High School will be tough competitors for both teams along with Omak High School. Chelan will have 18 golf players altogether this season which "helps put pressure on the other guys." Coach Einspahr is excited



Chelan High School 2018 - 2019 girls' and boys' golf teams.

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for the season to get started and hopes to send three girls and three boys to state this year, "the golf program is one of the most successful athletic programs in the school, I want to keep that going and go from there."

Chelan tennis' major asset is their experience

By DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

CHELAN - Forty-nine Chelan High School students will be part of the girls' and boys' tennis teams. At the moment, the teams have been practicing at the high school gym every single day and are able to get some hits.

"Half of the team, is a first year player, but we got most of our varsity returning from last year, plus a lot of new players so we are going to be really good this year," said Marty Rothlisberger on his 18th season as head coach.

The biggest impact players this year include Wyatt Habich, Tyler Higgins, Eli Phelps, Tobin Weir, Steven Williams, Katelyn Deal, Abby Martin, Sierra Rothlisberger, Emma McLaren, Bella Gatzemeier and Elle Rothlisberger. "Both teams will be very competitive, we



Chelan High School 2018 - 2019 girls' and boys' tennis teams.

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will play everybody tough," said coach. In the 2017-2018 season, the girls' team was able to win first place in CTL and became district champs. Meanwhile the boys' team finished second in the CTL last year. Coach Rothlisberger explained that winning comes naturally if things are done right. Due to this, his "expectations are that they work hard to improve and play hard every single day." Since the team has a lot of returning players, their experience is a huge plus to the team. Helping Rothlisberger run the tennis program are Jordan Lehman, Leslie Blair, Alan Grossberg, Adam Poush and Christie Rothlisberger. "They all get along with the kids really well," coach said. The first four tennis matches will be home at Lake Chelan Shores. On Wednesday, March 13 Chelan will be facing Liberty Bell starting at 4:30 p.m., weather permitting.

Chelan track and field and its strong competitors

By DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

CHELAN - Ken Barnes didn't hesitate as the position for Chelan High School track and field team head coach opened up after previous coach Erik Romero took a job with the Pateros School District.

Barnes, who previously was an assistant coach wanted to make sure the program kept on heading on the right direction. However, this year the team has had a rough start. The 58 student athletes have been facing the late winter conditions and for the most part they have been training indoors.

Coach mentioned that the team has a lot of new faces and they are being guided by the 16 seniors.

The Goats are fully loaded with sport event



The 2018-2019 Chelan High School track and field team.

Photo by Diana Piñon

athletes, senior long distance jumpers Bert Mendevil and Lucy Bordner are two students with the possibilities of making it to the State competition. Kevin Cazares and Alex Neri, both discus throwers are also likely to make it far this season. "Based on last year, they were close so we are hoping we can get them to State this year," said coach Barnes. Long distance runner, Chris Knight and the long distance girl runners, are also looking as strong contenders. In track you can compete against yourself and that's what Barnes likes about the sport. "As long as you're improving and making personal records all year long when get to the end you get a shot to compete in State," he said. For the first time in a long time, the Goats won't be hosting a track meet at home. Instead to recognize the seniors, Barnes explained the team will be having a parent-senior barbeque. At the moment, the first track meet has been cancelled due to the weather. On March 23, the Goats will get a chance to compete as they visit Ephrata and Manson.

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Trojan baseball hungry for a shot at playoffs

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MANSON - The Trojans opened up the 2019 season with the first practice of the season on Monday, Feb. 25. Twenty-four players have turned out with five returning seniors: Avery Thompson, Jose Pascasio, Victor Calderon, Jake Ludwig and Bryan Bernardo.

The Trojans are coming off of their best season in over a decade with an 11-7 record in 2018, and with narrowly missing the playoffs in 2018. The team is hungry for a shot at the

playoffs in 2019.

The Trojans will be lead by captains Jose Pascasio, Avery Thompson, Jake Ludwig and Parker Schoenwald. Pitching and defense look to be the team's strengths this season, so coaches are looking to see who can provide some timely offense.

Efforts are underway to clear away snow and early games look to be rescheduled.

The 2019 schedule can be found on CWBathletics.com. Updates and game write-ups can be found on the team's Facebook under Manson Trojan Baseball.



The 2018-2019 Manson High School baseball team and coaching staff.

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Lady Trojans with 14 seniors in softball roaster

BY DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

MANSON - Hayli Libbey-Thompson and Leslie Burns have united forces as they coach the 2018-2019 Manson Trojan softball team.

Twenty-seven Lady Trojans are getting ready for some softball action as they work hard to win more than games than last year. "Last year we won two games, it was a big improvement over the season before," said Libbey-Thompson.

The coaching staff is working on developing a large pitching crew, as well as continuing to teach and learn the game. Burns clarified that they are also working on developing the young players in the team, as they will be losing 14 senior players this year. "We are trying to give the young players experience

and knowledge and playing time," said Burns.

So far the girls are looking a lot better than what they all had anticipated. Do to this, both coaches want, "to beat more than one team, we want to end the season with our heads high."

The Lady Trojans are loud and have great amounts energy, they also have "strength and muscle." The players create a supportive atmosphere which will help them on the field as they compete this season.

A lot of the softball games have already been rescheduled for the Lady Trojans due to the weather. At the moment it looks like the team will be playing a double-header against Oroville in Manson, however it all depends on the field conditions.



The 2018-2019 Manson High School softball team and coaching staff.

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Trojans boys' soccer team brings their unity to the field

BY DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

MANSON - Junior Valdovinos a graduate from Manson High School will coach the Trojan boys' soccer team as they battle on the field this 2018-2019 season.

Since day one, the boys have shown coach excitement to learn new skills. Overall, the Trojan team is fairly young team, with only three seniors in the roaster out of the 26 players. Regardless of the young age, coach states, "every player is valuable, very players bring something to the table that we can use and fits with the style of play we are going for."

In the previous season, the Trojans faced Cascade High School for a spot at state. That game ended 3-0

and the Trojans were unable to make it to the next round. This year Valdovinos wants to switch things around, "since we are new to each other, it's going to some time to build, but I am confident we will have a good season and finish with a winning season," he said.

So far, the whole team and assistant coach Gabby Lopez have ben very welcoming to new coach Valdovinos. "They have open arms and they are accepting that this year is going to be different from last year," Valdovinos mentioned.

The team has great unity outside and inside of the field, they communicate well and push each other. On Thursday, March 21 the Trojans will get a chance to debut in front of the home crowd against Brewster, if weather permits.



The 2018-2019 Manson High School boys' soccer team and coaching staff.

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Manson Trojans to hit the track with 34 in roaster

By DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

MANSON – The 2018-2019 Manson Trojan track team is back in action for this new spring season. With an overall roster of 34 student athletes, this year's team is a big one with 17 returning students and 14 seniors.

For the first time Joey Johanson is co-coaching the Trojans along with Kurt Toolson who has been a coach in previous years. "It has been tough to start the year with the snow, but every other school and sport is in the same situation," said Johanson.

The team has been doing a lot of indoor workouts, however a couple of days ago "we shoveled two lanes around the whole track, so progress is being made," said Johanson.

The teams strength is the experience that the kids are bringing back. Both coaches have high expectations for the boys' and girl's teams as

they have a great group of long distance runners and many athletes with State experience in relays and shotput.

On the boys side they Trojans have a great group of seniors and of long distance runners. Senior sprinter Marco Sanchez along with long distance runners Bailey Cameron and Connor Torgesen are key participants. Top hurdler Cole Beazley, throwers Jojo Morales and Christian Montes are also highlights of the teams.

Returners Evelyn DeJesus, Zoe Thomas, Nadia Verduzco and newcomer Cara Hutton are also looking like high contenders on the girls side. State high jumper and state 400m runner Kendall Petre is also back to compete in state.

Assisting Johanson and Toolson with the team are Mason Cameron and Kevin Amsden working with throwers, Tori Carpenter working with the long distance runners and Lauren Johson



The 2018-2019 Manson High School track team.

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working with jumpers.

The Trojans first meet was last Friday, March 15 at

Wahluke High School, their next meet will be Tuesday, April 9 in Bridgeport. "We

are super excited to hit the track," said coach, "we to see athletes succeed and win, but

we just want to introduce and cultivate a lifestyle of exercise and well-being," he added.

Entiat High School Spring Sports

Less than a dozen players make up the Entiat tennis team

By DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

ENTIAT – The Entiat Tigers have only practiced outdoors in the courts twice this season, due to the cold temperatures and the snow. Head coach Lee Southard states that the team has had to share and rotate the gym with middle school volleyball and the high school track, "which isn't as good but it will do."

Four boys and seven girls make up the high school tennis team for the Entiat Tigers. The team is mainly underclass men with only one senior in the roster this

year. More than half of the team are returning students with only five being first time players.

Juniors Jaime Padilla and Yancy Ayala are two high competitors this year along with sophomore Libby Southard and freshman Cyrene Ramirez.

"To get better and improve everybody," are some of coach Southard's expectations. He also wants the team to work hard, "we have a good group, kids are wanting to learn and practice," he said.

Since the team has a lot of first year players assistant

coach Mandy Southard explains that they work on learning the rules, etiquette and footwork. The kids all have great attitudes and are adapting to obstacles presented by the weather, "they are willing to shovel and then practice ... it shows them wanting to be here," said coach.

Last Friday, March 15 the Tigers faced Omak and according to the coaches the team did alright for not being on the court too often yet. The next match for the tennis team will be at home on Thursday, March 21 against Tonasket.



The 2018-2019 Entiat tennis team.

Photo by Diana Piñon

Entiat Tigers track and field looking to win regionals

By DIANA PIÑON STAFF WRITER

ENTIAT - Julie Cannon along with her coaching staff are back for another season with the Entiat High School track team.

The team this year is composed of 36 students, 15 of them girls and 21 boys. "We are looking pretty good, we think we can cover most events," said coach Cannon.

The Tigers have been waiting to hit the track as the snow continues to melt throughout the area. "It's been tough we have been doing what we can, but can't do the things we would like to do,"

she explained.

Last year, the boys finished fourth in state and were regional and district champions. On the girls side, last year the Lady Tigers were district champs. "We had a very successful year, last year," said coach.

Cannon's expectations for this year is for both teams to repeat as district champs. "If we do not have any serious injuries both teams should be competing for the regionals championship," she added.

The boys' team is well rounded, the Tigers have, "good distance runners, good sprinters, good throwers, good jumpers." The Lady



The 2018-2019 Entiat High School track and field team.

Photo by Diana Piñon

Tigers have to fill some whole here and there however, they already "have experienced relays, experienced throwers."

Weather permitting, the Tigers will hit the track as they visit Eastmont High School on Tuesday, March 26.

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