

Large Bridgeport track team waits on warm weather to clear field



Members of the Bridgeport High School varsity track and field team include, front row, from left: Carlos Ruiz, Elmer Alvarez, and Edgar Meza. Second row, from left: Richie Torres, Sergio Penaloza, Santiago Moreno, Paul Torres, Daniel Valdovinos, Antonio Flores, Santiago Santana, Alan Andrade, and Samuel Garcia. Third row, from left: Gustavo Galvez, Jesus Vargas, Christian Aguilar, Yair Diaz, Brandon Valdovinos, Omar Ibarra, Alexis Valdovinos, Adolfo Orozco, Osvaldo Orozco, Armando Sandoval, Jose Garcia, and John Carlos Hernandez. Back row, from left: Leonel Espinoza, Joes Beltran, Rodimero Espinoza, Rafael Martinez, Tony Ruiz, Freddy Valdovinos, Omar Becerril, Luis Velasco, Juan Garcia, Alex Zarate, and Diego Martinez.

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Bridgeport track team draws nearly three dozen athletes

By Mike Maltais
Staff Writer

BRIDGEPORT – With 30-plus athletes turning out for

this season’s varsity track team, coach Mark Ward has a deep roster of specialists who have been practicing indoors and doing roadwork outdoors in preparation for their first meet. The school had to cancel the Bridgeport Jamboree scheduled for March 19 due to the snow conditions. Bridgeport is scheduled

to host the North Central Washington Meet at 4 p.m. Thursday, March 28. Ward said the date is “iffy, at best. We still have 18 inches on show on the field and lane one is still buried. We’ll see what the week brings.” Bridgeport will be on the road at Cashmere for an NCW meet there on April

23. The focus will shift back to Bridgeport on April 30 when the school hosts its annual Bridgeport Invitational. According to the latest schedule posted on the track and field website, athletic.net (www.athletic.net) Bridgeport’s track and field schedule, subject to change, looks like this:

Thurs., Mar 28 Bridgeport Home Meet
Tues., Apr 9 Brewster Co-Ed Relays
Fri., Apr 12 K-Valley Rally
Tues., Apr 16 Cascade, Bridgeport, LR NCW
Tues., Apr 23 Cashmere/Bridgeport/Waterville/Brewster/Pateros
Fri., Apr 26 Reike Invite

Tues., Apr 30 Bridgeport Invitational
Fri., May 3 Liberty Bell Invite
Wed., May 8 Sub Districts
Fri., May 17 Districts
Wed., May 22 1B, 2B, 1A Communication
Thurs., May 23-Sat., May 25 WIAA 1B, 2B, 1A State Championship Meet (HS)

Bridgeport boys step up in numbers for varsity soccer



Photo courtesy of Brad Skiff, Bridgeport School District

Members of the Mustangs varsity boys’ soccer team include, front row, from left: Carlos Ruiz, Elmer Alvarez, and Edgar Meza. Second row, from left: Richie Torres, Sergio Penaloza, Santiago Moreno, Paul Torres, Daniel Valdovinos, Antonio Flores, Santiago Santana, Alan Andrade, and Samuel Garcia. Third row, from left: Gustavo Galvez, Jesus Vargas, Christian Aguilar, Yair Diaz, Brandon Valdovinos, Omar Ibarra, Alexis Valdovinos, Adolfo Orozco, Osvaldo Orozco, Armando Sandoval, Jose Garcia, and John Carlos Hernandez. Back row, from left: Leonel Espinoza, Joes Beltran, Rodimero Espinoza, Rafael Martinez, Tony Ruiz, Freddy Valdovinos, Omar Becerril, Luis Velasco, Juan Garcia, Alex Zarate, and Diego Martinez.

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Staff Writer

BRIDGEPORT – Coming off a District 5/6 championship over rival Brewster last year, the Bridgeport Mustangs varsity soccer team has a definite target to

shoot for this season with many returning veterans back to power their 30-plus man team. Bridgeport finished the regular Central Washington 2B League season in second place with an 8-2 record behind Brewster after handing

the Bears their only league loss of the season. The Mustangs then defeated both 1A Cashmere and Chelan to advance to the District 5/6 title game against Brewster. Bridgeport lost its first round of state competition in a loser-out game against Wahluke, 2-0,

to end their post season. Back this year with long-time head coach Gabe Gonzalez, the Mustangs are taking their early season schedule one day at a time as field conditions dictate where they can play and when. Home games scheduled through the end of this month will likely

be postponed as the Mustangs look to games on the road to get their season kick-started. The latest schedule posted on CWB Athletics shows the first April game on the road at Oroville, April 9, but spectators need to prepare for rescheduling and substitu-

tions as the team adjusts opponents to complete a requisite schedule. In whatever way the games line out the Mustangs can be expected to work for a higher finish that last year and remain a team to watch this season.

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Fillies softball girls turn out 20 strong



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Members of the Bridgeport varsity girls' softball team include, front row, from left: Myrka Ibarra, Anissa Bustos, Brisa Aparicio, Alondra Jimenez, Johana Guzman, Jacky Aguilar, Ana Perez, Giselle Garcia, and Dalia Perez. Back row, from left: Carmen Quezada, Irene Jimenez, Esme Cancino, Lizette Trejo, Angelica Arellano, Monse Calderon, Citlaly Guzman, Angelica Cruz, Rae Dodson, and Patricia Santana.

Bridgeport varsity baseball team is ready for action



Photo courtesy of Brad Skiff, Bridgeport School District

Members of the Bridgeport varsity boys' baseball team include, front row, from left: Alonzo Garza, Enrique Morales, Christopher Newman, Oscar Gomez, Israel Lopez, Didier Acevedo, and Ofer Gutierrez. Back row, from left: Robert Polvos, Miguelangel Orozco, Jose Flores, Miguel Mendoza, Axel Martinez Bustos, and Coach Sam Buckingham.

By Mike Maltais
Staff Writer

BRIDGEPORT – With a foot-and-a-half of snow on

their playing fields during the week that ushers in the first day of spring, the Bridgeport varsity baseball

and softball teams will be looking well into April before conditions allow either team to host game opponents.

With Central Washington

2B League rival not fielding a baseball team this season the Mustangs will have two slots to fill to replace the missing Eagles. The Fillies

with returning head coach Samantha Torres once again at the helm will face their regular roster of rivals including Brewster, Liberty Bell, Lake Roosevelt, Waterville-Mansfield, Oroville, Manson, Tonasket, and Soap Lake.

Jesse Macy is returning for another year as the Mustangs' head coach and, if

the schedule allows, has a series of doubleheaders planned against Tonasket, Manson, Liberty Bell, and Lake Roosevelt.

Neither the Mustangs nor the Fillies made it into post-season play last year so one obvious goal will be to place high enough in CWB-2B play to make it into the post-season competition this year.



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Nannies softball starts season with eight road games



Photo by Mike Maltais

Members of the Nannies varsity softball team include, back row, from left: Alley Piechalski, Aleeka Miller-Smith, Samantha White, Kassandra Rosas, Taylor Harrild, Jessica Contreras, Jillian Piechalski, and Jasmin Contreras. Front row, from left: Kaitlynd Russell, Andrea Baird, Alondra Hernandez, Tea Asmussen, Jeniffer Flores, and Ruth Estrada.

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS—Varsity softball head coach John Slater was still working to get his team a road game on a dry field as of this week with the first game of the season against Manson on Thursday, March 21, an

iffy proposition. Teams throughout the Quad City area are examining their schedules to see what games can be played and where. The Nannies varsity softball team has road games scheduled through April 9, before Pateros hosts its first

home stand against Manson. According to the roster posted on CWB Athletics (www.cwbathletics.com), Pateros goes from Manson to a doubleheader at Liberty Bell on Saturday, March 23. Field conditions at Liberty Bell received some early help from a local contractor who

tried to keep the field clear despite recent snowfall. The Nannies are scheduled to play a doubleheader at Sunnyside Christian on Tuesday, March 26, followed by another DH at Oroville on Saturday, March 30. The final early road game is scheduled at Lake Roosevelt on April 9.

As the schedule currently stands, Pateros will host a string of four home games from April 11-16 against the Trojans, Bridgeport (DH) and the Raiders. A final home game is scheduled for April 25 against Soap Lake. The list of Central Washington B-2B League rivals this

season includes Brewster, Bridgeport, Lake Roosevelt, Liberty Bell, Manson, Oroville, Soap Lake, Tonasket, and Waterville-Mansfield. Citizens are advised to check the school calendar at www.pateros.org where games will be listed among other school activities.

Billygoats wait on the weather to begin home baseball season



Photo by Mike Maltais

Members of the Billygoats varsity baseball team include, back row, from left: Lucas Miller, Nik Rupiks, Jesse Ginter, Jeremy Piechaski, and Max Ewing. Front row, from left is Zane Dodge, Erich Foster, Dan Rossmann, Scott Moore, and Zane Thixton.

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS—The Billygoats varsity baseball team will take to the field about 14 strong this year with a combination of veterans and newcomers making up the team. Like the Nannies varsity softball team, the boys are scheduled to play their first game of the season at

Manson on Thursday, March 21, field conditions permitting. The schedules posted online at CWB Athletics (www.cwbathletics.com) shows the boys hosting their first four games of the season, but field conditions at Pateros make any home stands unlikely until something in April. Scheduled road games

begin on April 11 at Manson, followed by a doubleheader at Riverside Christian on April 12. Lake Roosevelt is on deck April 16, and the Brewster junior varsity hosts the Billygoats in an afternoon doubleheader April 18. In addition to Central Washington B-2B League opponents Pateros has three sets of doubleheaders

against Riverside Christian (2), and Sunnyside Christian (1). Supporters can check the school website, www.pateros.org to watch for games listed on the school calendar. Head coach Shane Kelly is turned in his wrestling whistle to head the Billygoats' baseball program this season.

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