

OVAC GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS



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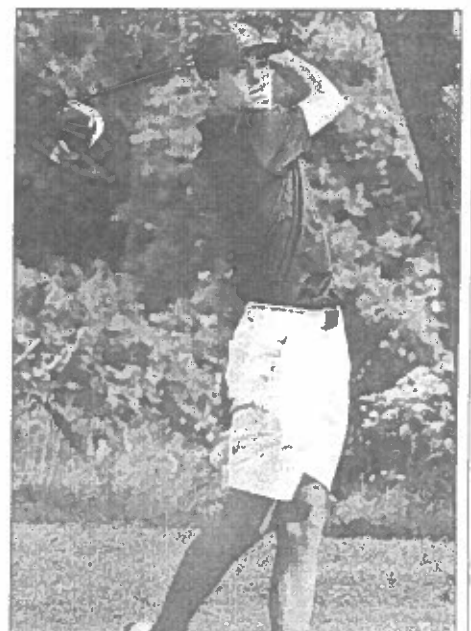


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He also had said he would return to tournament action in his home country at the Swiss Indoors in October.

In Thursday's announcement, Federer said his farewell event will be the Laver Cup in London next week. That is a team event run by his management company.

"I knew a few weeks ago that his rehabilitation with his knee wasn't going as well as he had hoped. A few weeks after Wimbledon, he informed me that the knee was not reacting as well as it should and that he was thinking about figuring out a way to end his career," Tony Godsick, Federer's agent since 2005, said in a telephone interview Thursday.

the top spot at 36 in 2018 — and most consecutive weeks there (his total weeks mark was eclipsed by Djokovic).

The dominance Federer displayed at the height of his powers is unrivaled, including reaching 10 consecutive Grand Slam finals, winning eight, from 2005-07, a run that also extended to 18 of 19 major finals into 2010.

In a sport where changes in surface and other conditions can make even the best players thrilled with a showing here or there into the second week of a Slam, Federer compiled streaks of 36 quarterfinals in a row and 23 semifinals in a row from 2004 to 2013.

"Roger Federer is a champion's champion. He has the most complete game of his generation and captured the hearts of sports fans around the world with an amazing quickness on the court and a powerful tennis mind," Hall of Famer Billie Jean King

36, and Djokovic, 35, who both equalled, then surpassed, Federer's Slam total and are still winning titles at the sport's four biggest tournaments.

"I wish this day would have never come," Nadal said. "It's a sad day for me personally and for sports people around the world. I said it to you when we spoke and now it's here. It's been a pleasure but also an honor and privilege to share all these years with you, living so many amazing moments on and off the court."

Nadal now leads the men's major championship count with 22, one ahead of Djokovic.

"I was lucky enough to play so many epic matches that I will never forget," Federer said in Thursday's announcement.

Addressing his "competitors on the court" — although not by name — he wrote: "We pushed each other, and together we took tennis to new levels." Federer's last match anywhere came on July 7,

No. 3 OSU eyes fewer 'ridiculous' penalties vs. Toledo

COLUMBUS (AP) — No. 3 Ohio State tried last week to smooth out its early season wrinkles against a heavy underdog.

Buckeyes coach Ryan Day doesn't think they've ironed out enough of them to be a championship contender just yet.

Penalties remain the primary problem. Ohio State gifted last week's opponent, Arkansas State, with more penalty yards than the Red Wolves gained all afternoon running the football.

The Buckeyes (2-0) were flagged nine times for 85 yards Saturday after being penalized seven times for 75 yards in their opener against Notre Dame.

"That's ridiculous," Day said this week. "So we've got to get that cleaned up."

The Buckeyes have one more chance to tune up before charging into the Big Ten schedule when Toledo

visits Ohio Stadium on Saturday night.

The Rockets (2-0) were projected to finish second in the Mid-American Conference West Division, but it's hard to get a good read yet because their opponents were so overmatched in the first two games. Toledo buried Long Island University and UMass by a combined score of 92-10.

The Rockets will be four-touchdown underdogs this week.

"College football is college football. Every Saturday is a task in itself that has its own set of challenges," Toledo coach Jason Candle said.

"We respect everything that goes on in Columbus, Ohio. We respect everything that goes on about Ohio State."

The Buckeyes, after beating then-No. 5 Notre Dame in the opener 21-10, swamped Arkansas State

45-12 last week, with Marvin Harrison Jr. catching three of C.J. Stroud's four touchdown passes.

A good showing, right?

"I wouldn't say I'm pleased," Day said this week. "We have to continue to have that edge and know where we could be. It's good that we're 2-0, but we've got to keep growing and have that edge to us that we've got to prove ourselves every week. There is improvement."

Upsets around college football in the last couple weeks got the attention of the Buckeyes.

"Doesn't matter who you play, everybody's coming in to take your spot in the rankings and whatever the case may be," Stroud said. "So I think that's just something with our team. We don't want to learn the hard way this season."

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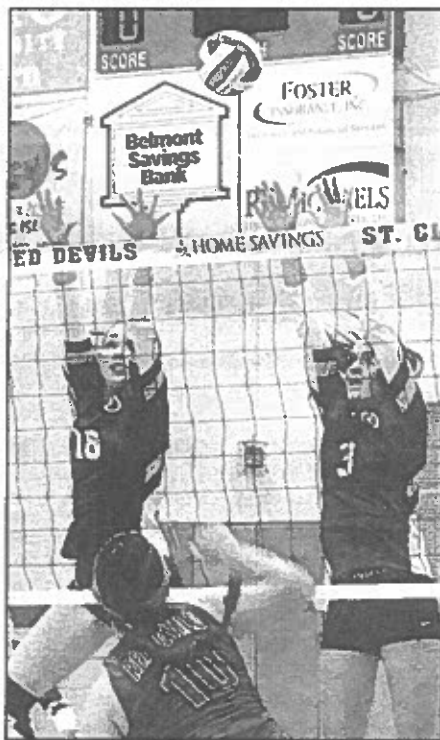
By **KIM NORTH**
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ST. CLAIRSVILLE - When Martins Ferry lost to St. Clairsville in the second match of the season, head coach Jaela Koller described it as "ugly." Thursday night was a different story.

The Purple Riders (7-4) avenged that early setback with a clean sweep of the host Red Devils by scores of 25-22, 27-25 and 25-17 on John Jenkins Court.

"It was very sweet revenge," she admitted. "I knew we could play with St. Clairsville and the girls came together tonight and played as a team."

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MARTINS FERRY'S duo of McKenzie Carte (18) and Sydney Koller (3) leap to attempt a block on a shot by St. Clairsville's Abby Salisbury (10) during Thursday night's prep volleyball match on John Jenkins Court inside St. Clairsville High School. The Purple Riders earned a sweep.

Pirates fall to NY Mets

NEW YORK (AP) — On a Roberto Clemente Day particularly meaningful to both of them, Francisco Linder and



New era in Pats-Steelers rivalry begins minus QBs

PITTSBURGH (AP) — For the better part of two decades, the Pittsburgh Steelers and New England Patriots would meet almost annually in a rivalry heavy on stakes and star power.

Not so much in 2022.

• QBs

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linebacker Devin Bush and safety Terrell Edmunds — who were in the starting lineup the last time New England and Pittsburgh met, a 33-3 clinic by the Patriots in the 2019 season opener.

The turnover is just as stark in New England, where Belichick is in Year 3 of the post-Brady Era, trying to keep his team afloat in an AFC where the swagger that long seemed the Patriots' birthright has shifted to places like Kansas City and Buffalo.

Not so long ago, Pittsburgh vs. New England forced the league to stop and watch. This is the first time since that 1998 game — a 23-9 Patriots win —

that a regular-season contest won't be played in the late afternoon showcase window or in prime time.

New England is hoping to avoid its first 0-2 start since 2001, months before Brady took over for an injured Drew Bledsoe and began the nascent stages of what became the greatest dynasty in NFL history. The Steelers began life after Roethlisberger with a dramatic victory in Cincinnati. If they can back it up against a team and a coach that's long had their number, they'd offer tangible evidence their retooling after Roethlisberger may be well ahead of schedule.

NO WATT

The Steelers will be

without reigning NFL defensive player of the year T.J. Watt. The perennial All-Pro linebacker went on injured reserve Thursday with a left pectoral injury. Newcomers Malik Reed, acquired in a trade with Denver in late August, and Jamir Jones, now in his second stint with Pittsburgh after being claimed off waivers on Sept. 1, will be given a chance to fill in.

SLIM PICKENS?

Pittsburgh second-round pick George Pickens was the breakout star of training camp, looking every bit the downfield threat the Steelers desperately needed after struggling to go deep in Roethlisberger's final seasons.

• Mets

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deliver relief supplies to earthquake victims in Nicaragua on New Year's Eve 1972.

A leukemia survivor, Carrasco won the cherished award in 2019 with Cleveland.

Lindor, like Clemente a proud native of Puerto Rico, hit a two-run homer into the second deck in right field to make it 4-0 in the third. Jeff McNeil followed

with a double and Vogelbach, acquired from Pittsburgh in a July trade, added an RBI single.

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UP NEXT

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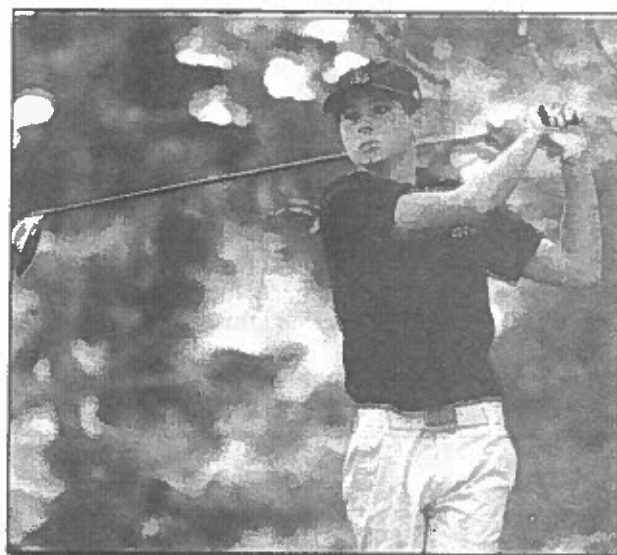
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Martins Ferry built a big lead (22-16) in the first set only to see St. Clairsville (5-6) rally and pull to within 23-22. Following a timeout by Koller, a long serve by the Red Devils made it 24-22 and Suz Bruney's ensuing serve was returned into the net by the hosts for the win.

The second set turned into a back-and-forth marathon as the two Buckeye 8 South rivals were knotted 13 times, the last at 25-all, before Bruney served a pair of points — the last coming on an ace that dropped between a pair of St. Clairsville players — for the set.

The visitors carried that momentum over into the third set when they roared to leads of 6-1, 11-3 and 15-6 before the Red Devils made it 15-10 and 19-16.

However, the Purple Riders were stronger down the stretch as they netted six of the final seven markers to complete the sweep.

"One thing we've been working on in practice is keeping your momentum up and stop beating yourself up if you make a mistake," Koller stressed.

"Our net play was really good tonight. I give the girls credit. They do a great job of staying out of the net, and that's a big key."

Hannah Meeker stuffed the stat sheet with 20 assists, a dozen digs, four kills, a like number of blocks and two aces.

Lyndsay Best added 17 digs and 12 kills while Sydney Koller charted 21 digs and seven kills. Bruney had seven digs, seven points and two aces.

St. Clairsville head coach David Williamson said his team couldn't get a break.

"It doesn't help that we have two injuries right now. One girl is trying to play through hers and the other is sitting out," he said of Emma Jenkins and Makenna Moran, respectively. "We've got two girls playing out of position, and it hurts. It hurts the team."

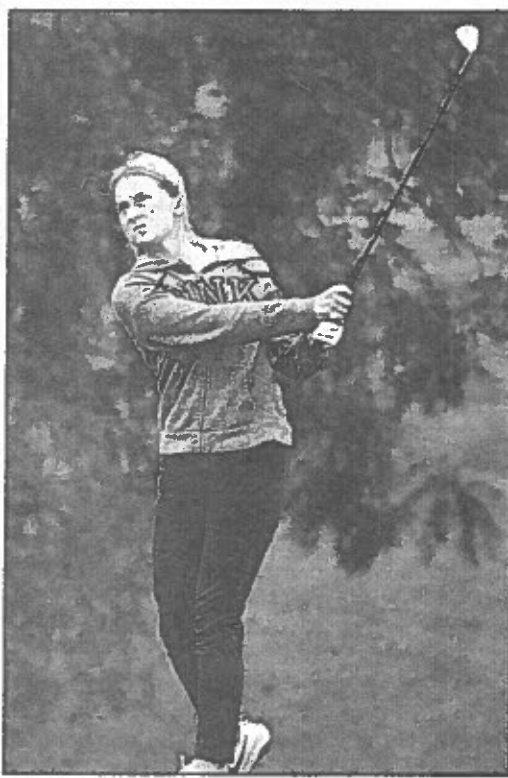
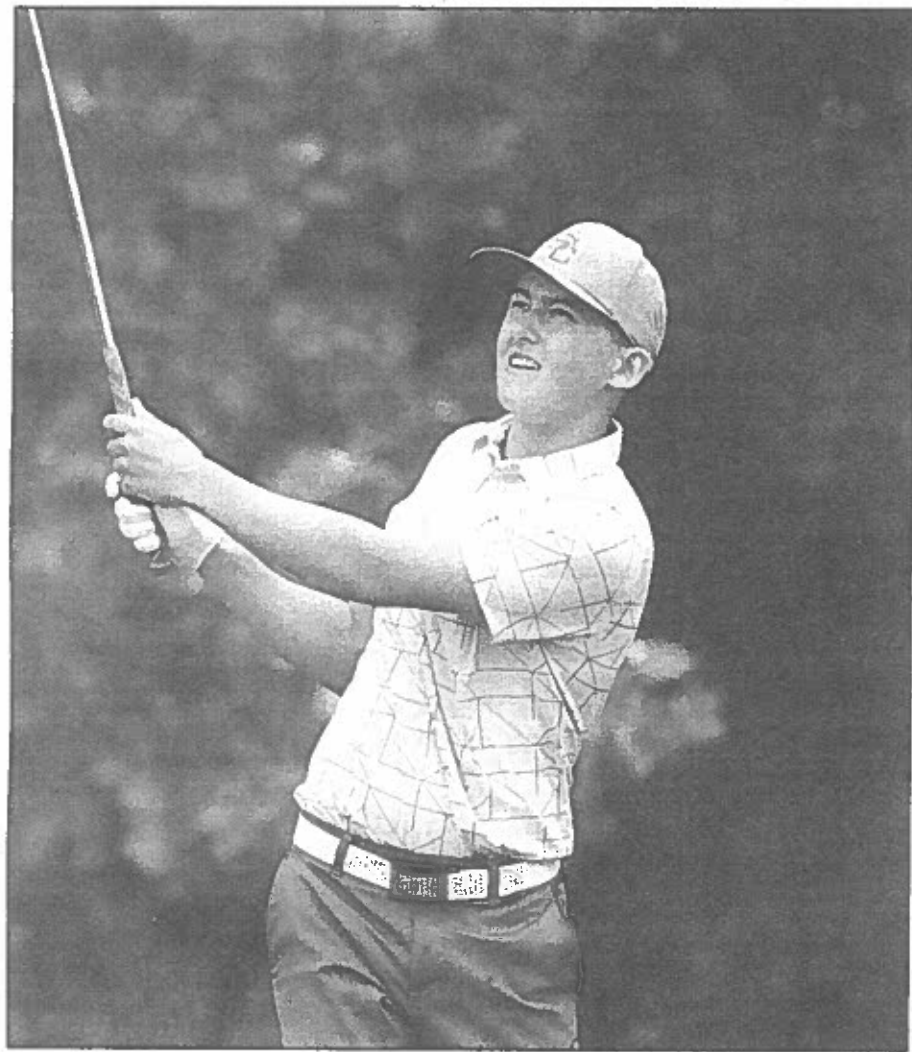
"We've been playing really well despite that adversity, but the wheels fall off quickly," he added. "When the momentum goes ... it's tough. It's heart-wrenching but you can't will the girls ... you guide them the best you can from a coaching perspective."

"I've been telling the girls from when we first met as a team that this isn't my season, it's your season," he continued. "I'm here to guide and give you the proper path to be a better human being and a volleyball player. You can't breathe the energy back into them."

The Red Devils were led by Rachel Finnical with 23 assists, nine digs, two kills and a pair of ace, while Brooke Biancarelli added 10 kills and nine digs. Abby Salisbury charted 23 digs and five kills. Emma Jackson chipped in 19 digs.

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T-L Photos/SETH STASKEY

AT LEFT: St. Clairsville sophomore Brodi Foster tracks an approach shot to the 15th green during Tuesday's OVAC 4A golf championship at Crispin Course at Oglebay Park. He finished as runner-up medalist.
ABOVE: ST. Clairsville freshman Olivia Baker plays an iron shot during the OVAC Tournament. She was named All-OVAC

Watt out at least one game

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Pittsburgh Steelers star outside linebacker T.J. Watt will miss Sunday's game against New England with a left pectoral injury, though coach Mike Tomlin is optimistic Watt's prognosis isn't as bad as initially feared.

Tomlin said Tuesday the reigning NFL Defensive Player of the Year won't be available for Pittsburgh's home opener, but refused to offer a potential timetable on how long Watt might be unavailable and hinted the worst-case situation — that Watt would be lost for the season — is no longer on the table.

"We're encouraged and we'll just continue to look at the situation and gain opinions and do what's appropriate," Tomlin said.

Watt sustained the injury late in the fourth quarter of a 23-20 over-See, WATT, Page B2



St. C. rolls to 4A OVAC title

By SETH STASKEY
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WHEELING — In most sports, a team that consists of only one player who can legally drive a car might be an issue.

For the St. Clairsville golf team, it's no problem at all.

The Red Devils — with a team of no player older than a sophomore in terms of eligibility — ran away and hid with the OVAC Class 4A golf title Tuesday afternoon at Oglebay Park's Crispin Course thanks to an impressive score of 308, which was 49 shots better than runner-up Buckeye Local.

"We've really prepared for this (tournament) and our kids take this event very seriously," St. C. head coach Ryan Clifford said. "Winning these (OVAC titles) never gets old. It's really fun. It was fun a few weeks ago when we won the Buckeye 8 and this is fun, too. I'll take that 308 (team score) on any day and from here on out for the rest of the season and live with the results."

The Red Devils, who have now won an OVAC-best 26 conference golf titles in history, repeated as the 4A champions in the process.

While the final score indicates the Red Devils may have made it look relative-

ly easy, according to Clifford, it was far from easy.

"We had a rocky spot on the front nine and our scores weren't what we expected when we made the turn," Clifford said.

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MONROE CENTRAL'S Zander Potts watches his tee shot on the eighth hole at Oglebay Park's Crispin Course during Tuesday's OVAC Championship. Potts finished third overall in the 1A/2A event to earn a spot on the All-OVAC team. Wheeling Central won the team title and Maroon Knights' senior Ryan Costanzo was the OVAC champion

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By SETH STASKEY
Times Leader Sports Editor

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Broncos' Hackett head-scratcher caps wild Week 1

By ARNIE STAPLETON
AP Pro Football Writer

Nathaniel Hackett found himself in no man's land, and he assured himself a spot in football purgatory with a head-scratcher of a decision that turned his head coaching debut into a dud and ruined Russell Wilson's homecoming.

Trailing the Seahawks 17-16 Monday night, the Broncos crossed midfield with just over a minute left when Javonte Williams caught a short pass from Wilson and charged his way to the Seattle 46.

That put Denver facing fourth down just barely in field-goal range but 5 yards shy of the first-down marker.

Isn't this why the Broncos sent three players and five picks to Seattle six months ago for Wilson, whom they signed to a megamillion-dollar extension?

"It put us in that weird spot there because we were in the field-goal range but we were in that fourth-down situation," Hackett said. "Didn't think we were going to get that many yards, so I thought it was a great job by Javonte. We just made the decision we wanted to take our shot there on that one."

Hackett decided to take the ball out of his \$296 million man's hands and place his trust in a kicker who is now 1 for 8 from 60-plus yards in his career after Brandon McManus hooked a 64-yard attempt that would be the second-longest field goal in NFL history.

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Wood Co. Christian sweeps St. John
BELLAIRE — Wood Co. Christian swept the Irish in three sets by scores of 25-5, 25-16 and 25-6.

The Irish were led by Gianna Metz's 15 digs. Hannah Grady had 21 sets and three digs, while Addison Kovach had eight digs.

Cowboys won't put Prescott on IR for possible earlier return

FRISCO, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys are not putting quarterback Dak Prescott on injured reserve after surgery on his right thumb, leaving open the possibility that he could return within the next four games.

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said Tuesday during his weekly appearance on the team's flagship radio station that the team wants Prescott "to be a consideration for playing within the next four games." That is the minimum number of games a player has to miss if placed on injured reserve.

"We feel very good after surgery, after listening to the medical people, that Dak has a real chance to be back out there throwing the ball real quick," Jones told 105.3 The Fan.

Prescott had surgery Monday, a day after he got hurt in the fourth quarter of a season-opening 19-3 loss at home to Tampa Bay.

He was following through after releasing a pass when his right hand bent awkwardly after making hard contact with the raised hands of rushing linebacker Shaq Barrett.

"We think he can come in and play. So, we don't want to not have him out there practicing. We want him getting prepared," Jones said. "We'll see how he handles this thing, how it heals, mainly his strength, how he can grip the ball, what his status is. That's not being an optimist."

"The proof is we got a good surgery, got good technique, and feel better about it than we did the other night."

Cooper Rush finished the game in Prescott's place and is expected to start Sunday's home game against defending AFC champion Cincinnati. Jones said it was "unlikely" that the Cowboys would add a veteran quarterback, and instead would stick with backup quarterbacks Rush and Will Grier.

"Those guys know the offense well. They've had a lot of reps in it and consequently give us our best shot," Jones said.

"It's unlikely that you have a veteran quarterback that could get back in here and be ready to play as well as those guys can play, even if you thought you might have a talent advantage."

"And they didn't have to try this desperate field goal," Buck insisted. "And this is why you make a deal to get Russell Wilson, in my estimation."

To go for it on fourth-and-5 and at

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time victory over Cincinnati while attempting to sack the Bengals' Joe Burrow. Watt walked off the field with Steelers physician Dr. James Bradley and went straight to the locker room. He declined interview requests on Monday but appeared to be upbeat.

Tomlin declined to give specifics about the injury on Sunday and remained intentionally vague about the extent of the damage to Watt's pectoral on Tuesday other than to say "we're probably in a lot better place than we were after the game. And usually that's the case."

The three-time All-Pro had a sack and even snagged his fifth career interception in the opener, picking up right where he left off in 2021 when he tied an NFL record with 22 1/2 sacks.

The Steelers will turn to newcomers Malik Reed and Jamir Jones to fill in. Reed arrived in a trade with Denver on Aug. 31. The Steelers claimed Jones — who played with them briefly in 2021 before being cut — off waivers on Sept. 1.

Tomlin made it a point to take some of the pressure off Reed and Jones, who will fill in for Watt.

"Those guys are not going to be T.J. (and) it's not realistic to think that they're going to be T.J.," Tomlin said. "But we expect them to be varsity."

Reed and Jones played a combined 50 snaps against Cincinnati, combining for three tackles. Reed is more of a known quantity, getting 15 sacks in three sea-

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Clifford said of the 143. "You still have to go make putts for birdies and put yourself in a position to score."

St. Clairsville garbled up four of the spots on the All-OVAC squad in the process of the tournament despite not producing the tournament champion, which was East Liverpool's Nate Kelley, who posted an even-par, 71.

"I am really happy that the four scores we put up are going to make All-OVAC," Clifford continued. "That's a big deal to the kids."

Leading the way for the Red Devils was sophomore lefty Brodi Foster, who finished as runner-up medalist with a round of 75.

Sophomore Andrew Abel was once again a model of consistency, firing a

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Winning the OVAC title for the first time in his career was senior Ryan Costanzo, who shot a blistering 2-under par, 70, to win by two shots over teammate Justin Doerr.

"We had a match (at Crispin against St. Clairsville on Monday) and I didn't play well on the front nine, but I played well on the back nine," Costanzo said. "I was able to find a rhythm, get on a run and made a lot of pars, and I got a couple of birdies fall. It was about consistency for me and I was able to plug my way around the golf course and got the job done."

The biggest difference in the tune-up match on Monday, for Costanzo, was

er as time expired.

Buccaneers punter Jake Camarda kicked the ball off the giant video board hanging high over the field at the Cowboys' stadium.

sons with Denver before being caught in a numbers crunch with the Broncos and being shipped to Pittsburgh.

"Man, Malik is a 700-plus snap defender the last two years," Tomlin said. "His resume speaks for itself. That's why we went out acquiring him. He's a very, very credible NFL player."

There's still a chance Watt could be placed on injured reserve, which would force him to miss a minimum of four weeks. Tomlin said the team will take its time to determine whether to take that step, adding that Watt is in the process of getting second and third opinions on the injury.

While Watt is out, second-year running back Najee Harris could play after leaving late against Cincinnati with a left foot injury. Harris appeared to be in significant pain afterward and was seen with his left foot and lower left leg heavily wrapped.

"It's good to be young, you know," Tomlin said. "He appears to be in position (to play), but he's going to have to practice and prove his readiness."

Pittsburgh's top backup is Jaylen Warren, an undrafted rookie free agent who ran three times for 7 yards against the Bengals and proved to be an adept and enthusiastic blocker in the passing game.

Asked about Warren's performance, Tomlin smiled.

"He didn't urinate down his leg and that's a great place to begin, you know," Tomlin said with a laugh.

round of 77 to finish third. He was a shot ahead of Fix and Baker. Baker, a talented freshman, recorded an eagle on the par-5, 11th.

Ethan Turner rounded out the Red Devils' lineup.

"I think each kid is capable, but we've not really gone really low yet," Clifford said. "For them to play in this tournament and shoot that score is really good. It's the second-lowest score we've shot here on the season, but with a whole lot more pressure. To put that pressure on yourself and still play well is impressive."

Weir High's Jude Smith finished with a score of 78 to earn an All-OVAC team spot.

simply "finding the swing."

"I hit the ball a lot better," Costanzo said. "There was some slow play on the second nine, which may have helped me to set a tempo. I was able to relax a little bit. Plus, I putted a lot better and got up and down well, so I didn't have to chip a whole lot."

While the individual title means a lot to Costanzo, he was even more excited about bringing another team title back to East Wheeling.

"Being a part of three (OVAC) championships is something that's really special and we can't and shouldn't take for granted," Costanzo said. "I'd really like to thank our coach because he's more than a coach. He's very important to us."

Along with Costanzo's effort, Doerr — another senior member of the squad — checked in with the 72 to finish second. Landon Prager (76) and Luke Tiu (77) rounded out the scorers for the Knights. Ashton Glover also took part and shot a respectable 84.

The only non-Wheeling Central player on the All-OVAC squad was Monroe Central's Zander Potts, who posted a round of 75.

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4. Michigan	2-0	1359	4
5. Clemson	2-0	1285	5
6. Oklahoma	2-0	1209	7
7. Southern Cal	2-0	1139	10
8. Oklahoma St.	2-0	1004	11
9. Kentucky	2-0	992	20
10. Arkansas	2-0	938	16
11. Michigan St.	2-0	902	14
12. BYU	2-0	880	21
13. Miami	2-0	772	15
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15. Tennessee	2-0	658	24
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17. Baylor	1-1	562	9
18. Florida	1-1	484	12
19. Wake Forest	2-0	449	23
20. Mississippi	2-0	411	22
21. Texas	1-1	276	-
22. Penn St.	2-0	271	-
23. Pittsburgh	1-1	160	17
24. Texas A&M	1-1	145	6
25. Oregon	1-1	89	-

College Football

The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll.

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11. Arkansas	2-0	857	17
12. N. C. State	2-0	816	13
13. Miami	2-0	805	16
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Dropped Out: No. 9 Notre Dame (0-2); No. 18 Wisconsin (1-1).

Others receiving votes: Florida State (2-0) 85; Cincinnati (1-1) 80; Appalachian State (1-1) 50; Air Force (2-0) 48; Kansas State (2-0) 46; Wisconsin (1-1) 43; Marshall (2-0) 40; Notre Dame (0-2) 35.

NFL Week 2

Thursday, Sept. 15
L.A. Chargers at Kansas City, 8:15 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 18
Carolina at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Miami at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
New England at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at L.A. Rams, 4:05 p.m.
Seattle at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
Arizona at Las Vegas, 4:25 p.m.
Cincinnati at Dallas, 4:25 p.m.
Houston at Denver, 4:25 p.m.
Chicago at Green Bay, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 19
Tennessee at Buffalo, 7:15 p.m.
Minnesota at Philadelphia, 8:30 p.m.

Sports on TV

Wednesday, September 14
COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL (WOMEN'S)

7 p.m.
ESPN — Louisville at Kentucky
MLB BASEBALL
1 p.m.
MLBN — Regional Coverage:
LA Angels at Cleveland OR Houston at Detroit
4 p.m.
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San Diego at Seattle OR Atlanta at San Francisco (3:45 p.m.)
7:30 p.m.
FS1 — Oakland at Texas
10:30 p.m.
MLBN — LA Dodgers at Arizona (Joined in Progress)
SOCCER (MEN'S)
7:30 p.m.
ESPN2 — Campeones Cup:
New York City FC vs. Atlas, Final, New York
8:30 p.m.
CBSSN — UEFA Champions League: TBA (Taped)
10 p.m.
FS2 — Liga MX: Pachuca at FC Juarez
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TENNIS
5 a.m.
TENNIS — Chennai-WTA, Portoroz-WTA Early Rounds; Davis Cup Group Stage: U.S. vs. Britain, France vs. Germany, Croatia, vs. Italy, Spain vs. Serbia
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Monarchs Win Marathon Match Over Rival Patriots

By CODY NESPOR
Sports Writer

WHEELING — The robust crowd that filled the stands in The Palace on the Hill Tuesday evening was treated to one of the best high school volleyball matches that will be played this season between rivals John Marshall and Wheeling Park.

Despite falling down two sets to none at the start, it was the visiting Monarchs (4-2-1) who came out with the cherished victory, prevailing in five sets 25-27, 14-25, 30-28, 25-20 and 18-16.

“When we struggled like that at the beginning, it shows a lot of character for them to pull it together and come through with the win,” JM coach Cathleen Harr said. “It was a really, really intense game, both

sides played really, really hard.”

The nearly three-hour-long marathon match included three sets decided by just two points, all of which took extra scoring, two overturned calls and a yellow card issued to Wheeling Park (8-6) head coach Samantha Gentle.

“I was very happy with the way our girls played,” Gentle said. “Multiple sets went extra-innings and they battled, so I’m not disappointed in the way they played.”

The stands inside Wheeling Park High School were at capacity with raucous supporters on both sides cheering on their team, adding to the drama and intensity of the evenly-played affair.

“It is exciting,” Gentle said of the large crowd. “The stands were

screaming and hollering and it’s a lot of energy. I know the kids get excited about it and we get excited about it too. Volleyball’s an exciting sport so it’s good to see when we get supported like this.”

The tone of the match was established from the very first set with multiple ties, lead changes and a dramatic finish.

The Monarchs roared out to a 7-2 lead before the Patriots used a pair of extended scoring runs to knot things up at 16. JM later led 24-22, but Park rattled off five of the last six points to win 27-25.

The second set was the only one with any separation as Park won 25-14.

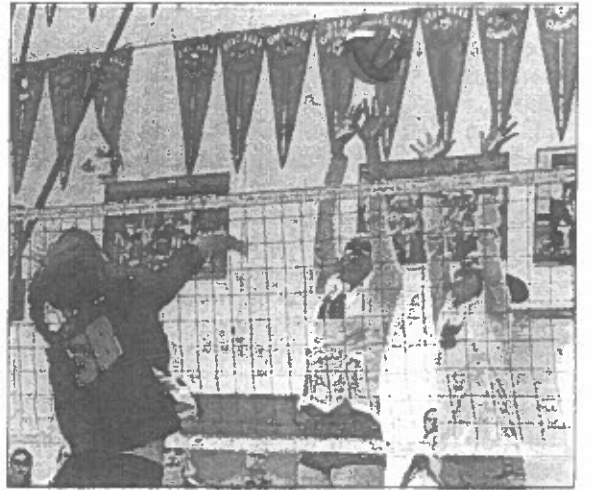


Photo by Cody Nespor
John Marshall’s Michaela Kobasko, left, hits the ball over Wheeling Park blockers Abby Heilman and Faith Randolph, right.

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OVAC GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Knights Continue Run of Dominance

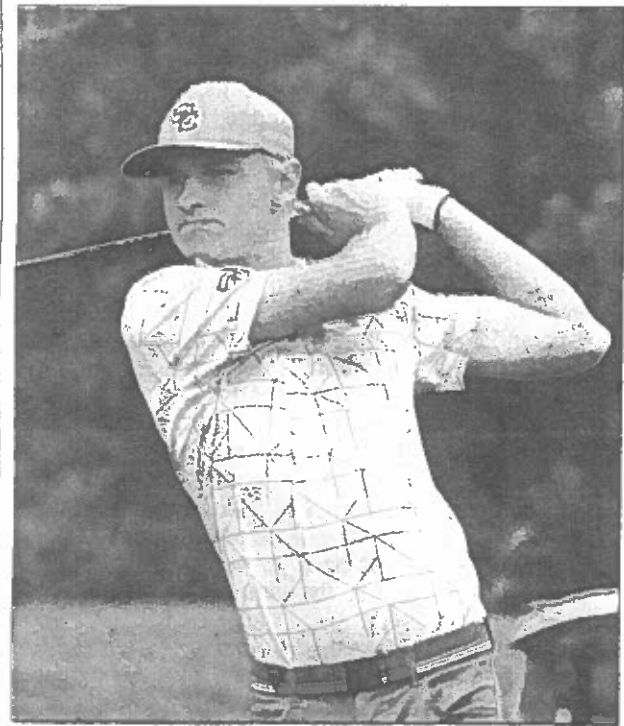


Photo by Seth Staskey

Andrew Abel finished third in Tuesday’s OVAC 4A golf tournament as his St. Clairsville Red Devils won for the second year in a row.

Red Devils Repeat As 4A Champions

By SETH STASKEY
For The Intelligencer

WHEELING — In most sports, a team that consists of only one player who can legally drive a car might be an issue.

For the St. Clairsville golf team, it’s no problem at all.

The Red Devils — with a team of no players older than a sophomore in terms of eligibility — ran away and hid with the OVAC Class 4A golf title Tuesday afternoon at Oglebay Park’s Crispin Course thanks to an impressive score of 308, which was 49 shots better than runner-up Buckeye Local.

“We’ve really prepared for this (tournament) and our kids take this event very seriously,” St. C. head coach Ryan Clifford said. “Winning these (OVAC titles) never gets old. It’s really fun. It was fun a few weeks ago when we won

the Buckeye 8 and this is fun, too. I’ll take that 308 (team score) on any day and from here on out for the rest of the season and live with the results.”

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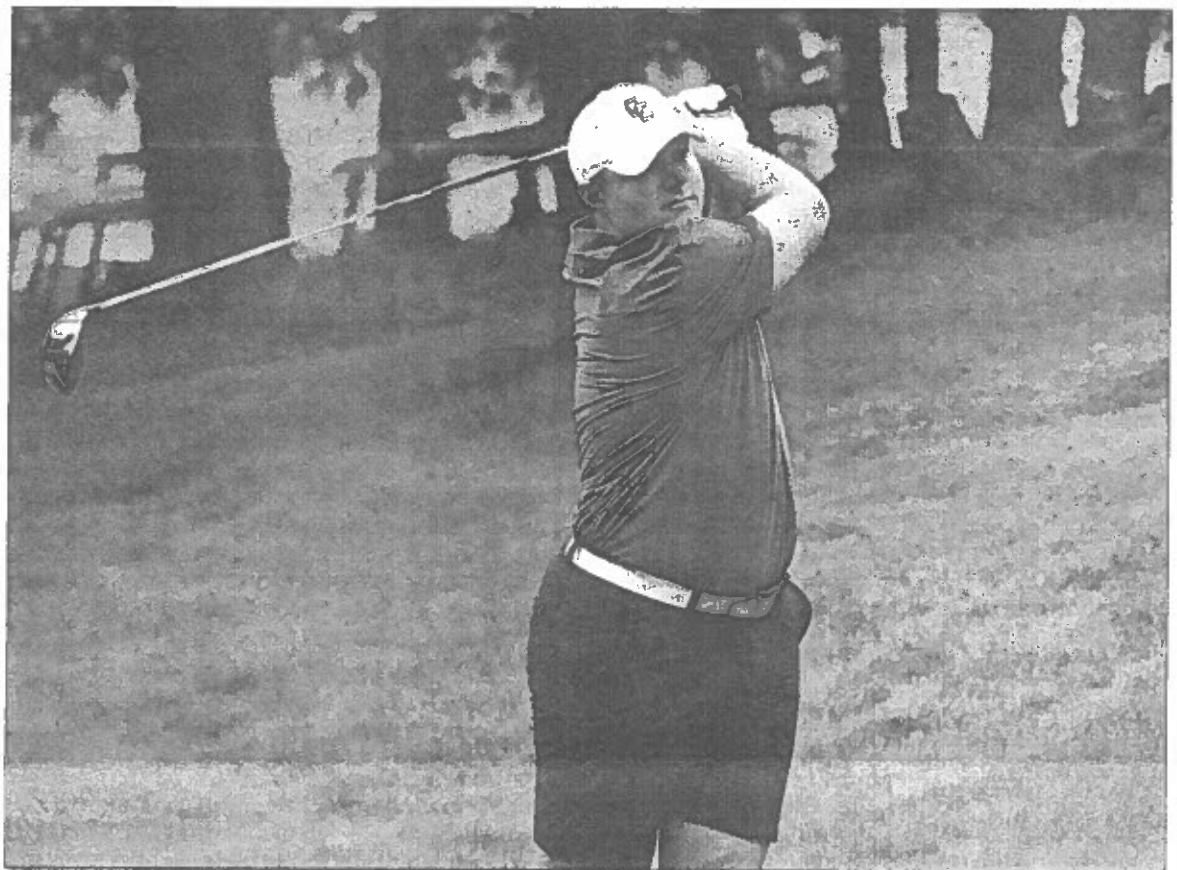


Photo by Seth Staskey

Wheeling Central’s Ryan Costanzo shot 2-under par 70 to claim his first OVAC golf title as the Maroon Knights won as a team for the second consecutive season.

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Pirates Sweep Doubleheader



T.J. Watt Out At Least 1 Game

With DeLina...



Weir Builds Confidence With Sweep of Madonna

By ANDREW GRIMM
For The Intelligencer

WEIRTON — Coming into Tuesday, the Weir High volleyball team had been struggling to stop momentum swings from taking them out of their game.

Coach Fran Capaldi's Red Riders took what she hopes is a big step in learning how to deal with those key moments in matches Tuesday, and did so in a hostile environment on the road at city rival Madonna to take a 3-0 sweep of the host Blue Dons.

"It feels pretty good to get this win," Capaldi said. "We have been in a little bit of a slump, so it's good to get out of that and we always like coming here and playing. It gets our girls fired up. This can be a turning point for us."

Weir High (3-7) prevailed, 25-14, 25-17, 25-19, but led the second and third sets by just a point or two at multiple points and were able to fend off Madonna (3-3) when it seemed the momentum might be on the verge of shifting.

"There were a couple points where the momentum could have shifted, and that has really what has been holding us down the past few games is points that turn the momentum," Capaldi said. "I'm happy to see that we were able to push through and ultimately win those sets and the game."

"We always know coming in here that it's going to be a big game and a big crowd, so it boosts our confidence to see we can come into an atmosphere like this and get a win."

Madonna, for its part, seemed to get stronger as the match went on, something that had coach Mike Orecchio optimistic after, but just could not find a way to get a lead and keep the match going.

"We're scrappy - we're young and we're small, but we're scrappy," Orecchio said. "We're going to be alright. We have a lot of season left, and the OVACs and the tournament are what matters most. We're going to see (Weir) again and we'll be ready."

"We got better as we went. Nerves kind of set in early and I think that was one of the factors in the early sets."

For the Red Riders, Maleea Faulks had four aces, six kills, two digs and a block. Brayley Lash had six kills, an ace and two blocks. Mea Kaufman dished seven assists, two digs, two aces and a kill and Kylie Dean had nine aces and seven assists.

"They all hustled and they all did their jobs," Capaldi said.

Stats were not available for Madonna.

Weir High returns home to host Toronto tonight. Madonna is home again on Thursday hosting Linsly.

Shamrocks Win Again

HANNIBAL — Barnesville made it nine wins in 11 starts on Tuesday, sweeping River by scores of 25-10, 25-14 and 25-10.

The Shamrocks were led by Halle Markovich's 18 kills, nine digs, 10 points and two aces, while Ava McFarland added nine points, 31 assists and seven digs. Kynlie Cline had nine points, 17 digs and three

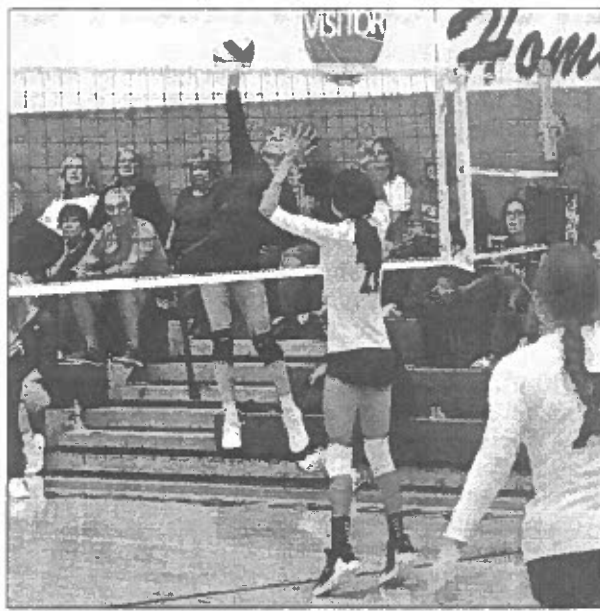


Photo by Andrew Grimm

Weir High's Mea Kaufman goes up to hit the ball while Madonna's Gianna Bonar tries to block during Tuesday's match.

aces. Blayne Carpenter posted five digs, while Ellie Thompson had three aces and three kills. Jalyn Skinner netted 10 digs.

Tyler def. Parkersburg Catholic

PARKERSBURG — The Silver Knights improved to 8-2 with a sweep of Parkersburg Catholic by scores of 25-18, 25-20 and 29-27.

Braeden Wall recorded 11 kills with three digs and two blocks. Caitlyn Northcraft had 25 assists to go with 19 points, 10 aces and seven digs.

Monroe Central sweeps Shadyside

WOODSFIELD — The homestanding Seminoles rolled to a sweep of the Tigers by scores of 25-18, 25-8 and 25-11.

Monroe Central (6-1) was led by Kynzi Bishop's nine kills and three blocks. Jacey English added eight kills, while Abby Thompson posted five kills, three blocks. Madison Croft had nine digs, while Kyra English passed out 14 assists and Olivia Valcovic had 10 assists and three aces.

The Tigers were led by senior standout Gentry Brown's eight kills, two aces and five digs. Bayleigh Harman had eight assists, while Janelle Greenwood netted four digs.

Martins Ferry sweeps Bridgeport

BRIDGEPORT — Martins Ferry posted a repeat sweep of the Bulldogs by scores of 25-19, 25-15 and 25-20.

The Purple Riders were led by Sydney Koller's 14 digs, 17 kills and six points. Lindsey Best posted 16 digs, five kills, three aces and nine points. Hannah Meeker was charted for 26 assists, five digs and two kills. Kelsi Gillespie had six digs, four aces and 14 points. Jordan Hughes was charted for eight points and two aces.

RED DEVILS

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All five St. C. players who finished as runner-up shot significantly lower on the back nine, including sophomore Evan Fix and freshman Olivia Baker, who were both 10 shots better on the inward nine.

"That's a pretty darn good score," Clifford said of the 143. "You still have to go make putts for birdies and put yourself in a position to score."

St. Clairsville gobbled up four of the spots on the All-OVAC squad in the process of the tournament despite not producing the tournament champion, which was East Liverpool's Nate Kelley, who posted an even-par, 71.

"I am really happy that the four scores we put up are going to make All-OVAC," Clifford continued. "That's a big deal to the kids."

Leading the way for the Red Devils was sophomore lefty Brodi Foster,

who finished as runner-up medalist with a round of 75.

Sophomore Andrew Abel was once again a model of consistency, firing a round of 77 to finish third. He was a shot ahead of Fix and Baker. Baker, a talented freshman, recorded an eagle on the par-5, 11th.

Ethan Turner rounded out the Red Devils' lineup.

"I think each kid is capable, but we've not really gone really low yet," Clifford said. "For them to play in this tournament and shoot that score is really good. It's the second-lowest score we've shot here on the season, but with a whole lot more pressure. To put that pressure on yourself and still play well is impressive."

Weir High's Jude Smith finished with a score of 78 to earn an All-OVAC team spot.

KNIGHTS

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"We had a match (at Crispin against St. Clairsville on Monday) and I didn't play well on the front nine, but I played well on the back nine,"

Costanzo said. "I was able to find a rhythm, get on a run and made a lot of pars, and I got a couple of birdies fall. It was about consistency for me and I was able to plug my way around the golf course and got the job done."

The biggest difference in the tune-up match on Monday, for Costanzo, was simply "finding the swing."

"I hit the ball a lot better," Costanzo said. "There was some slow play on the second nine, which may have helped me to set a tempo. I was able to relax a little bit. Plus, I putted a lot better and got up and down well, so I didn't have to chip a whole lot."

While the individual

title means a lot to Costanzo, he was even more excited about bringing another team title back to East Wheeling.

"Being a part of three (OVAC) championships is something that's really special and we can't and shouldn't take for granted," Costanzo said. "I'd really like to thank our coach because he's more than a coach. He's very important to us."

Along with Costanzo's effort, Doeer — another senior member of the squad — checked in with the 72 to finish second. Landon Prager (76) and Luke Tiu (77) rounded out the scorers for the Knights. Ashton Glover also took part and shot a respectable 84.

The only non-Wheeling Central player on the All-OVAC squad was Monroe Central's Zander Potts, who posted a round of 75.

PIRATES

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One out later against Ian Gibaut, Newman singled just off the glove of leaping shortstop Matt Reynolds.

"It's just really awesome to come through in a scenario like that," Newman said. "In a situation like that — low-scoring, one run wins it — to deliver is an excellent feeling."

Luis Ortiz, a 26-year-old right-hander making his major league debut, allowed one hit in 5 2/3 innings with three walks and five strikeouts.

"From the moment I woke up, my mindset was to focus on my plan," Ortiz said through an interpreter. "I stayed with the plan, and I'm glad the results came through."

"You have to give their pitcher credit," Reds manager David Bell said. "He was outstanding — 100-101 with a tight slider and change up. We believe we're going to score better than that, but it does start with the pretty impressive stuff that he had."

Chase De Jong (5-2) allowed one walk over 1 1/3 innings. Yohan Ramirez pitched a perfect eighth and Duane Underwood Jr. worked around a walk in the ninth for his first professional save.

The opener drew 9,338, the Reds' fourth-lowest at home this season. Three of Cincinnati's six home crowds under 10,000 have been for games against the Pirates.

Cincinnati's Jake Fraley was hit on the head by Manny Banuelos' 93.5

opener. Down for several minutes, Fraley got to his feet and was led off the field by an athletic trainer. He did not play in the second game.

"It's part of the game," Fraley said. "Any time you go to the plate, there is a chance that it could happen. ... It could have been a lot worse. It hit me straight between the C-flap and the brim. It was straight off the helmet. Most of the time when it hits you that square, the manager doesn't give you a choice. Being that late in the game, it is better to check and make sure everything is good."

Cal Mitchell hit a two-run shot for his first homer since July 22 and Ke'Bryan Hayes added his first home run since Aug. 7.

Johan Oviedo (1-1) pitched hitless ball into the fifth and allowed one hit over five shutout innings for his first win since his Sept. 1 recall from Triple-A Indianapolis. He struck out four and walked two while lowering his earned-run average to 3.34 in the longest of his three Pittsburgh starts.

"He's made some adjustments," Shelton said. "He was more clean on the mound. His slider was really good and effective."

"I got more work in the bullpen," Oviedo said. "I was trying to get ahead. That's my best five innings in a while. I was just trying to get through five. Next time, I hope to go deeper."

Luis Cessa (3-3) gave up five runs and eight hits — including three hom-

moved from the bullpen. He struck out five and walked one in 5 2/3 innings while slipping to 0-2 as a starter.

FAMILIAR FACES

The Reds and Pirates have played three doubleheaders in one season for the first time since 1965. They split the first two. The sweep was Pittsburgh's first of a nine-inning doubleheader in Cincinnati since Sept. 17, 2016.

UP NEXT

Pirates RHP Roansy Contreras (5-4, 3.29) goes up against Reds rookie LHP Nick Lodolo (4-5, 3.78) in Wednesday's series finale. Contreras allowed one run and four hits in six innings during win against Cincinnati on July 7. Lodolo has never faced the Pirates.

GUARDIANS 3, ANGELS 1

CLEVELAND (AP) — Los Angeles star Mike Trout's home run streak ended at seven games, one shy of the major league record, and AL Central-leading Cleveland beat the Angels.

Trout went 0 for 3 with three routine flyballs and a walk. The three-time AL MVP was chasing the mark of eight straight games with a home run, set by Pittsburgh's Dale Long in 1956 and matched by Don Mattingly of the Yankees in 1987 and Seattle's Ken Griffey Jr. in 1993.

Oscar Gonzalez's two-run homer in the sixth broke a 1-all tie and gave Cleveland its fifth straight win. Jose Ramirez started the inning with a double and Gonzalez lined an 0-2 pitch

atop the wall in left field.

Rookie Kirk McCarty (3-2) held Los Angeles to one hit in 3 2/3 innings for Cleveland, which has won seven of eight. Emmanuel Clase gave up a two-out single in the ninth, but struck out Matt Duffy and converted his 35th save in 38 chances.

YANKEES 7, RED SOX 6

BOSTON (AP) — Aaron Judge hit his major league-leading 56th and 57th home runs, Gleyber Torres had a go-ahead three-run double in the 10th inning and the New York Yankees held on to beat the Boston Red Sox 7-6 on Tuesday night.

TWINS 6, ROYALS 3

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Minnesota rookie Joe Ryan and reliever Jovani Moran combined to pitch no-hit ball until Bobby Witt Jr. doubled with one out in the ninth inning against Kansas City.

CUBS 4, METS 1

NEW YORK (AP) — Jacob deGrom was outpitched by Adrian Sampson and frustrated New York mustered little on offense against Chicago.

BREWERS 8, CARDINALS 4

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Andrew McCutchen homered and drove in three and the Milwaukee Brewers used eight pitchers to beat NL Central-leading St. Louis.

ORIOLES 4, NATIONALS 3

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ryan Mountcastle hit a tying homer and Bal-