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Coaches Set for the Freightliner Oregon All-Star Series

Corvallis, Oregon, Wednesday, June 6, 2018 – The coaches for the North and South teams for the Oregon All-Star Series, set for June 23-24 at OSU's Goss Stadium, have been named by 6A coordinator Jake Anders and 5A coordinator Dave Williams.

Jay Campbell of Crater and Ryan Starwalt of Crescent Valley will lead the South team while John Arntson of Clackamas and Matt Bailie of Westview will manage the North.

Campbell and Arntson both coached in last year's Oregon All-Star Series.

Campbell led his Comets to a 5A state championship by beating Crescent Valley 2-0 at Volcanoes Stadium on June 2nd.

Jay Campbell has been the head coach at Crater for 13 years. This is Campbell's third appearance as a coach at the Oregon All-Star Series.

Arntson is no stranger to the series either as he will be making his fourth appearance as a coach. Arntson has been the head coach at Clackamas for 22 years and has won three state titles with the Cavs.

An alum of Oregon State and former professional pitcher, Matt Bailie is making his first appearance in the Oregon All-Star Series in his rookie year as the skipper at Westview. He led the Wildcats to an undefeated Metro League season, final overall record of 28-3 and victory over Clackamas, 8-4, in the 6A state title game. Prior to managing at Westview, Matt was the head coach at Hillsboro High School.

Ryan Starwalt is also making his first appearance, as the series hometown coach guided Crescent Valley to a #1-ranking for much of the year, an undefeated Mid-Willamette Conference season and 28-4 overall record.

Starwalt has coached at Crescent Valley for 10 years.

The Oregon All-Star series pits the state's top 6A/5A senior high school players from the North against their counterparts in the South.

The South took 2 of 3 games last year.

The teams will play a single game at 7 pm on Saturday, June 23 and a doubleheader starting at 11 am on Sunday, June 24.

To check out the North and South rosters, visit: www.oregonallstarseries.com

There is no cost for the players and coaches to participate thanks to the event's title sponsor, Freightliner Trucks, and a partner lineup made up of the Hillsboro Hops, the Bend Elks, NW Star Academy, the Old Timers & Active Baseball Association, Baseball Northwest, Oregon City Sporting Goods, Washington Park Advisors and the University Inn Corvallis.

Both the North and South will be outfitted in Nike wear compliments of Nike Team Sports.

The Oregon All-Star Series is ran and hosted by Knights Baseball Club, Inc., the operators of the Corvallis Knights of the West Coast League.

ABOUT THE OREGON ALL-STAR SERIES

The Oregon High School Baseball All-Star Series showcases the top senior players from the state's 5A and 6A classifications over a set of games held each third or fourth weekend in June. The All-Star Series thrived in The Dalles for decades (1971-2007) as the State-Metro Series and celebrated its 50th anniversary in its last year at Quinton Street Ball Park in The Dalles. Bend hosted the 5A Series in 2008 and 2009 while the 6A Series was held in McMinnville those same years before the two classifications combined to play a 5A/6A All-Star Series last year in McMinnville. The Oregon High School Baseball Coaches Association moved the series to Corvallis in 2011. Reser's Fine Foods was the title sponsor from 2011-2016.

ABOUT FREIGHTLINER TRUCKS

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ABOUT GOSS STADIUM

Goss Stadium at Coleman Field is home to the two-time national champion Oregon State Beavers and four-time West Coast League champion Corvallis Knights. Goss Stadium opened in 1999 and expanded in 2009 and 2015. The oldest continuous ballpark in the nation, the site of OSU's first varsity team in 1907, features a state-of-the-art videoboard, FieldTurf, the Omaha Club Room and the TnT Builders Party Deck at Banners. For more info on Goss Stadium, visit: www.osubeavers.com/facilities/?id=5.

ABOUT THE CORVALLIS KNIGHTS

The Corvallis Knights are a member of the eleven-team, wood-bat, summer collegiate West Coast League. The club is dedicated to accelerating prospect development, bettering its community and delivering affordable family entertainment. Based in Corvallis, the team plays June through August at Goss Stadium on the campus of Oregon State University. Established in 1990, the club relocated to Corvallis in 2007. The team features top collegiate players and a full slate of entertaining promotions including three fireworks shows. For more info on the Knights, visit: www.corvallisknights.com.

ABOUT THE WEST COAST LEAGUE

The West Coast League, established in 2005, is the west's premier summer collegiate wood-bat league west of the Mississippi. Member teams include the Bellingham Bells, Bend Elks, Corvallis Knights, Cowlitz Black Bears, Kelowna Falcons, Port Angeles Lefties, Portland Pickles, Victoria HarbourCats, Walla Walla Sweets, Wenatchee AppleSox and Yakima Valley Pippins. Teams feature top players from schools from major conferences like the Pac-10, Big West and WCC. The league's 54-game 2018 regular season opens June 1 and concludes August 8. For more info on the West Coast League, visit: www.wccbl.com.

ABOUT CORVALLIS

Corvallis, Oregon, population 51,110, is in the heart of the Willamette Valley. Home to Oregon State University, it is the quintessential college town. Wide streets, sheltered by ancient trees, red brick or white masonry buildings and its location along the Willamette River make Corvallis a handsome city. Corvallis is close to the Coast Range and wildlife areas. The city is within 90 minutes of the beach, the Siuslaw National Forest and Portland. For more info on Corvallis, visit: www.visitcorvallis.com.