

Archery | WAYC Concludes



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These archers from Korea get fired up for their Recurve Junior Men Team gold medal match against the United States on Sunday at the World Archery Youth Championships in Yankton.

U.S., Korea Rule WAYC

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The United States went into the final day of the World Archery Youth Championships with a chance to bring home three different golds in Recurve Junior competition.

Korea, however, had a better day Sunday, and made the final medal count rather close.

The traditionally strong recurve archers from Korea captured first place in eight of their nine gold medal matches, with the only silver medal coming in an all-Korean showdown.

In the end, though, the United States won the medal race with 14 on the weekend, while Korea captured 11 medals – the next nearest country (Turkey) had five.

“Silver medal is ok,” said Team USA shooter Zach Garrett. “I think that bronze medalists are always happier because you go out on a win and you can’t help but feel like you have won silver, but have lost gold.”

“They are generally pretty good so we expected it to be a good match.”

First up Sunday was the Men’s team competition between the USA and the Korea. The Koreans were able to get to a hot start and beat USA,

6-0, in straight sets. The USA team of Collin Klimitchek, Caleb Miller and Garrett struggled in the beginning not able to find their stride until the third round, which they only lost by one point.

Klimitchek then took on Korea’s Min Byeongyeon in the gold medal match for the Men’s individual division and lost, 7-1, earning the silver medal.

“It was hard-fought for sure,” Klimitchek said. “I wish I could have taken home gold, but I am definitely grateful for making it to the finals.”

“I don’t like seeing them (Korea) in first, so I’m going to work harder and I am going to try and beat them.”

In the USA’s final match of the day Sunday, Mackenzie Brown also earned silver against Chinese Taipei’s Chia-Mao Peng. Brown got to an early lead winning the first two rounds, but Peng heated up and shot eight 10s in her final nine shot to take the match, 6-4.

– Michael Hammond

Brazilian Part Of Both Medals

As the 10 archers from Brazil prepare to leave Yankton after a week and a half stay, they will leave with two medals.

All thanks to Marcus Dalmedia.

The 17-year-old Brazilian archer won the gold medal Sunday in the Recurve Cadet Men, and also helped lead



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United States archer Eliana Claps waves to the crowd before her Recurve Cadet Women bronze medal match Sunday at the World Archery Youth Championships in Yankton.

World Archery Pres: Athletes Got ‘Warm Welcome’

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Ugur Erdener regularly travels around the world visiting archery tournaments.

He has seen events held in cities with populations ranging from hundreds of thousands on up to millions.

But for a short time this weekend, the president of the World Archery Federation got an up-close look at the World Archery Youth Championships (WAYC) in Yankton, with a population of just under 15,000 residents.

The president’s impression?

“I talked with some of our athletes, and I’m very happy that they are happy to be here,” Erdener said Sunday, shortly after the final closing ceremony.

“They got a very warm welcome from everybody here. That is very good.”

Erdener, who also serves as the president of the National Olympic Committee in his native Turkey, was one of a handful of archery dignitaries to receive a tour of the Yankton complex on Sunday. Bruce Cull, the president of the National Field Archery Association, showed the officials – from World Archery and Greg Easton, president of Easton Foundations – around the sprawling complex.

A popular sight on the tour was likely the many yellow shirts worn by the 612 volunteers who helped out with the WAYC – a “huge contribution for this event,”

Views

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Baseball: Reds Finish 3-1 At Bob Deery Classic

RENNER – The Yankton Reds went 3-1 but lost a first-place tiebreaker with Hartington, Nebraska, for first place at the VFW Teener baseball Bob Deery Classic.

REDS 12, S.F. CENTRAL 1: Princeton Vollmer had two hits, two runs scored and three RBI, while Matthew Mors doubled twice and had an RBI for Yankton in Sunday’s win. Chris Steffen chipped in with one hit and two runs, while Andy Knapp had two hits.

Mors pitched four innings and got the win.

REDS 11, RENNER POST 307 1: Ryan Eihacker and Matthew Mors both scored twice, while Chris Steffen, Bradley Howe, Wil Pease and Christian Curran all drove in a run.

Howe pitched four innings to pick up the victory.

HARTINGTON 10, REDS 1: Cayden Peterson had a hit and a run scored, while Andy Knapp added a hit for Yankton in Saturday’s loss. Wil Pease pitched five innings and was tagged with the loss.

REDS 9, WEST LYON 7: Matthew Mors had two hits, two runs scored and two RBI, while Chris Steffen had two hits, two runs scored and two RBI for Yankton in Saturday’s win. Wil Pease and Princeton

Vollmer added two hits. Cayden Peterson pitched five innings and was relieved by Ryan Eihacker who got the win.

Watertown Tourn. WATERTOWN – The Yankton Lakers advanced to the championship game of the Watertown VFW Teener baseball tournament. The championship was rained out.

The Lakers, 7-7, host Brandon on Wednesday. Start time for the twinbill is set for 5:30 p.m.

LAKERS 11, WATERTOWN 9: Ethan Wishon had three doubles and a RBI, and Owen Feser had three hits and three RBI to lead Yankton. Rex Ryken and Levi Wiersma and Rex Ryken each had a hit and two RBI. Michael Drotzmann and Kieran Lullman each had a hit and a RBI. Sam Mooney added a hit.

Wishon picked up the win in relief. **LAKERS 6, BEMIDJI 4:** Ethan Wishon had two hits, including triple, Michael Drotzmann had a triple and a RBI to lead Yankton in the Saturday contest. Rex Ryken also had a hit and a RBI. Levi Wiersma and Sam Mooney each had a hit.

Kieran Lullman allowed five hits in the complete game effort.

LAKERS 6, S.F. SWAT 5: Kieran Lullman scored the game-winning run on a wild pitch in the sixth and had two hits in the Saturday victory.

Ethan Wishon doubled and singled, and Rex Ryken had two hits and a RBI for Yankton. Levi Wiersma, Michael Drotzmann and Sam Mooney each had a RBI in the win.

Ryken picked up the victory in relief.

Legion

South Sioux City Tourn. SOUTH SIOUX CITY, Neb. – Vermillion Post 1 went 2-2 in the South Sioux City American Legion Baseball Tournament, going 0-2 on Sunday after going 2-0 on Saturday.

Vermillion travels to Mitchell on Wednesday. Start time for the twinbill is 5 p.m.

DAKOTA VALLEY 11, VERMILLION 5: Dakota Valley blew open a 4-4 tie with a five-run third in downing the region rival.

Bryce Schroeder, Brady Dam and Austin Carter – the first three batters in the Dakota Valley order – each collected two hits while combining for five runs scored and four RBI. Luke Johnson scored three times in the victory.

Hunter Christopherson went 3-4 with a RBI, and Jefferson Galvin had two hits and two RBI to lead Vermillion.

Jacob Bellis went the distance, striking out six. Cole Anderson took the loss.

ELMWOOD-MURDOCK 5, VERMILLION 2: Elmwood-Murdock took control with a three-run fifth in Sunday’s matchup with Vermillion.

Tyler Oehjerk went 3-3 with a double to lead Elmwood-Murdock. Austin Closner had a pair of hits.

Carter Kratz went 3-4 with a double to lead Vermillion. Jack Brown, Hunter Christopherson and Nate Robertson also had hits.

Oehjerk went the distance for the win, striking out seven in seven innings of work. Jake Odens took the loss, striking out six in 4 2/3 innings.

VERMILLION 5, WAKEFIELD 3: Vermillion jumped out to a 4-0 lead and held on for a 5-3 victory over Wakefield on Saturday.

Cole Anderson went 3-3 and Travis Weber had two hits and two RBI to lead

Vermillion. Brandon Mockler and Ethan James each had a hit.

Alex Conley doubled and singled, driving in two, and Tanner Perkins had two hits for Wakefield. Julio Perez also doubled in the effort.

James pitched four shutout innings, striking out four, for the win. Carter Kratz pitched the final three innings for the long-relief save. Coleman Kneiff took the loss, striking out five in the complete game effort.

VERMILLION 16, WISNER-PILGER 1: Vermillion used a pair of big innings to open the tournament with a rout of Wisner-Pilger on Saturday morning.

Carter Kratz had a triple, a double and five RBI to lead Vermillion. Jack Brown had two doubles and two RBI. Cole Anderson doubled and singled. Ethan James doubled, Jake Odens had a hit and three RBI, and Joe Miller and Nate Robertson each had a hit in the victory.

Miah Moach had a hit and a RBI for Wisner-Pilger.

Hunter Christopherson allowed three hits in the five-inning game for the complete game victory. Christian Statney took the loss.

McCook-Miner 12, Platte-Geddes 7

PLATTE – Despite three hits each from Hunter Hallock and Seth Kirsch, Platte-Geddes dropped a 12-7 decision to McCook-Miner in American Legion baseball action on Friday.

Tim Gassman doubled and singled for McCook-Miner, which was outlived 14-7.

Hallock, who started at third base for Mount Marty College this past spring,



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Hartington catcher Brady Steffen catches a pop-up during his team’s matchup with the Yankton Reds during the Bob Deery Classic baseball tournament on Saturday at Yankton’s Bob Tereshinski Stadium at Riverside Field.

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