

Rookie first pick in ballots

NEWYORK (AP)-Ichiro Suzuki, boosted by online support worldwide and paper ballots cast in Japan for the first time, became the first rookie to draw the most votes for the All-Star game

Suzuki was among four Mariners elected by fans to start next week at Safeco Field in Seattle.

Cal Ripken, who will retire after this season, overtook Seattle's David Bell in the final week to earn his 17th start and 19th appearance.

Suzuki was the first rookie to be elected since Sandy Alomar Jr. for Cleveland in 1990.

The Mariners, with the best record in the majors, also will have first baseman John Olerud, second baseman Bret Boone and designated hitter Edgar Martinez in the starting lineup next Tuesday in their home ballpark.

Alex Rodriguez, who left the Mariners after last season as a free agent and signed with Texas, drew his fourth start at shortstop.

Barry Bonds, leading the majors with 39 home runs, drew an NL-leading 2,140,315 votes. The San Francisco outfielder will be making his eighth start and his 10th All-Star appearance.

Giants second baseman Jeff Kent and shortstop Rich Aurilia also drew starts. Texas catcher Ivan Rodriguez earned his ninth consecutive start and 10th appearance overall. Also starting for the AL are outfielders Juan Gonzalez of Cleveland and Ramirez of Boston.

New York Mets catcher Mike Piazza earned his seventh start and ninth All-Star appearance. His status is uncertain, however, because of a broken toe.

The other NL starters are outfielders Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs and Luis Gonzalez of Arizona, first baseman Todd Helton of Colorado and third baseman Chipper Jones of Atlanta.

The pitchers and reserves and the rest of the 30-man rosters will be announced Wednesday.





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Matt Lindberg, 9, and Zell Bieberle, 6, (foreground) spent some time learning to swim during Colby Recreation Department lessons at the municipal pool. The pair will be learning the basics from 8:30-9:15 a.m. each morning until July 12. The last session will start July 16 for Brewster.

Trojan rodeo finishes 25th

CASPER, Wyo. — Colby Community College finished 25th out of 62 0:07.2. She tied for fifth place in round teams at the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyo., on June 11-16, in spite of being

unable to field a

full team. "Without fielding a full team, we were very competitive," said Allen coach Russell. Sophomore

Annie Boettcher and freshman Andrea Boettcher, both of Atkinson, Neb. qualified from Colby College to compete in the goat tying event.

In round one, Annie placed seventh with a time of 0:07.3. Andrea did not post a top-ten time.

In round two, both women had bad draws and did not place.

In round three, Andrea had a time of 0:08.20 on a goat that had no qualifying times to that point.

Annie came back with a time of three and went into the finals holding 10th place.

In the finals, although Annie did not post a qualifying time, her effort earned her 12th place in the nation.

"I am proud of their accomplishments this year," said Russell.

"With both of these women returning and an outstanding freshman recruiting class, we should have a very strong team next year."

The Fifth Annual Colby Community College Rodeo will be held Sept. 21-23 at the Thomas County Fair Grounds in Colby.

Local Schedule

Thursday, July 5

Bambino girls softball at field 4. Hoxie vs. Rockes at 6 p.m. Hoxie vs. Indians at 7:30 p.m. Junior boys at field 2. Dodgers vs. Braves at 6:15 p.m.

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- Quasar color TV
- 5-drawer Chest Bed

· Card table & 5 folding chairs

- Assorted Tools Tree Trimmers
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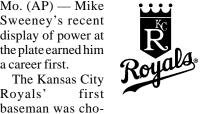


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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Mike Sweeney's recent display of power at the plate earned him

Royals'



player of the week, after hitting .520 with five homers, 12 RBIs and nine runs scored. He tied a club record Sunday by homering in his fourth straight game.

Colby recreation baseball and softball at the rec fields.

ginning at 10:30 a.m. followed by personal property

As of Tuesday, Sweeney was fifth in the American League in batting (.335), third in runs (68), sixth in RBIs (63), third in hits (106), first in doubles sen Monday as the American League (35) and sixth in home runs (21).

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