AS WE SEE IT

Hits and Misses

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REACHING THE SUMMIT Over the span of three days, two Aptos schools reached the loftiest of sporting heights. Friday night, the Aptos Mariners football team won the Central Coast Section Division III title — their ultimate goal in the long season — over arch rival St. Ignatius, 41-35. Aptos won the title on a rainy night in San Jose, surviving a last-gasp rally by the private school. Under Coach Randy Blankenship, the Mariners have become the dominant football power in the county — but this was their greatest triumph yet. Then Sunday in Los Altos Hills, Cabrillo College’s women’s volleyball team won the state community college championship, becoming the first team from Northern California to take this championship in 36 years. The Seahawks defeated Grossmont for the title, after winning two matches on Saturday. Their run to the top capped off an undefeated season, at 31-0, and they became the first Cabrillo sports team to win a state championship since at least 1982.