

# Lady Loggers win eighth in a row

Knappa takes lead after two errors by Gulls

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SEASIDE — The Knappa and Seaside softball teams took a break from league action, and got together for a nonleague game Saturday afternoon at Broadway Field.

And the Class 2A Lady Loggers continued their winning ways, even against the Class 4A Gulls, as Knappa scored three runs in the second inning on its way to a 4-1 win over Seaside.

After their 1-3 start, the Loggers have won eight in a row to improve to 9-3. Knappa's next six league games will be against Neah-Kah-Nie (2-5-1) and Vernonia (2-9), as the Lady Loggers look to take control of the Northwest League standings.

In Saturday's win, Knappa pitcher Kacie Cameron allowed just three hits, with seven strikeouts and a walk.

At the plate, freshman McKailyn Rogers had three hits, with a triple, a run scored and an RBI.

Seaside scored the first run of the game, as Paige Ideue had a leadoff single to left field and later scored on an error.

The Loggers answered with three runs in the second inning. The Gulls committed two errors on one play that allowed Stacey Aho to score, and Knappa took the lead for good when Kaitlyn Truax scored on a grounder by Alisha Murphy.

Rogers drove in Jaden Mitthe for the third run.

Seaside had baserunners over the next three innings, but one was caught stealing by Truax, and Aho caught a line drive at first base and completed an unassisted double play in the fifth.

Paige Ideue had two of Seaside's three hits, while freshman sister Jetta Ideue struck out two and walked two in the loss.

## Baseball

Knappa 26-18;

Faith Bible 2-3

KNAPPA — Sixty-four runs for Knappa, five for



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Seaside freshman Jetta Ideue delivers a pitch during Saturday's softball action at Broadway Field.



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Knappa's Kacie Cameron races to first on an infield single in Saturday's softball game at Seaside.

Faith Bible.

That's the difference between the Loggers and the fifth-ranked Class 2A team in the state. In three games last week, Knappa outscored the Falcons 64-5,

including a 26-2, 18-3 doubleheader sweep Friday at Teevin Field.

Knappa improves to 8-0 overall and 6-0 in league. Look for details in Tuesday's paper.



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Above: Seaside shortstop Whitney Westerholm puts the tag on Knappa's Jaden Mitthe, off a throw from Seaside catcher Emma Dutcher.



Left: McKailyn Rogers of Knappa sprints around second and heads to third following an errant throw.

## Fishermen tune up for invitational

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ST. HELENS — Athletes from Astoria did plenty of winning Saturday, in the annual Lower Columbia Invitational track meet held at St. Helens.

The meet was attended by two 6A schools, six from the 4A ranks, three schools each from the 3A and 2A levels, and eight 1A teams.

Leading the way for the Lady Fishermen was junior Halie Korff, who swept the throwing events. She had the top marks in the shot put (36 feet, 11 1/2 inches); discus (103-10) and javelin (113-9).

Freshman teammate Skadi Freyr was second (33-10) in the shot put and Chara Troyer was third (31-6).

Astoria freshman Darian Hageman cleared 8-6 to win the pole vault, and added a second-place in the triple jump (33-9 1/4) and third in the long jump (15-4).

Natalie Cummings contributed a victory, taking first (out of 39 competitors) in the 100 meters (12.72 seconds), while the Lady Fishermen (Cummings, Jillian Ketchem, Victoria Kee and Kaylee Mitchell) won the 400-meter relay in 53.61.

Mitchell, a freshman, had the best time (2:22.08) in the 200 meters for another win.

The Astoria boys had one victory, as Zander Arnold had a toss of 44-0 in the shot put, the best out of 47 throwers. Lucas Cauana had the third-best time (4:29.77)

out of 40 runners in the 1,500 meters.

Astoria hosts the 27th annual Daily Astorian Invitational Saturday.

## Gulls score big at Meet of Champions

SALEM — The Seaside girls racked up 63 points, finished second in the team standings and won four different events Saturday, in the annual Meet of Champions at Willamette University in Salem.

The meet features some of the top athletes from around the state.

Newport won the girls' team title with 89 points, topping the field of 32 schools. Elmira was first in the boys' team standings, with Seaside fifth.

For the girls, Allison Kil-

day again swept the hurdle events, winning the 100-meters in 16.15 seconds, and the 300-meters in 47.15, the top mark in Class 4A this year.

Also on the track, Charlotte Blakesley ran a 5:06.88 to win the 1,500 meters; Elizabeth Barnes, Blakesley, Kelly Willyard and Kilday teamed up to win the 1,600-meter relay in 4:20.56; and the Lady Gulls were second in the 400-meter relay (51.76) behind Cascade.

On the boys' side, Seaside freshman Rafi Sibony was second in the 3,000 meters in 9:24.18, just ahead of teammate Bradley Rzewnicki (9:25.66).

Juneau Meyer had the second-fastest time in the 400 meters (51.89).

## PREP SCHEDULE

### TODAY

Girls Golf — Seaside Invitational, 11 a.m.  
Boys Golf — Banks Invitational, 1 p.m.

### TUESDAY

Baseball — Astoria at Tillamook, 5 p.m.; Seaside at Banks, 5 p.m.; Neah-Kah-Nie at Knappa, 4:30 p.m.  
Softball — Astoria at Seaside, 5 p.m.; Neah-Kah-Nie at Knappa, 4:30 p.m.

### THURSDAY

Baseball — Tillamook at Astoria, 5 p.m.; Banks at Seaside, 5 p.m.  
Track — Warrenton at Scappoose, 3:30 p.m.; Northwest League Meet, TBA  
Boys Golf — Astoria at Valley Catholic, 2 p.m.; Banks at Seaside, 2 p.m.

### FRIDAY

Baseball — Rainier at Warrenton, 4:30 p.m.; Knappa at Neah-Kah-Nie (2), 3 p.m.  
Softball — Valley Catholic at Astoria (2), 4 p.m.; Tillamook at Seaside (2), 4 p.m.; Rainier at Warrenton, 4:30 p.m.; Knappa at Neah-Kah-Nie (2), 3 p.m.

### SATURDAY

Baseball — Astoria at Newport, 1 p.m.  
Softball — Knappa at Warrenton, 1 p.m.  
Track — Daily Astorian Invitational (at Astoria HS), 10 a.m.

## WEEKEND SPORTS IN BRIEF

### GOLF

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Jordan Spieth tapped in his final putt to cap off a record performance and bent over in relief. He just as easily could have been taking a bow.

This was a Masters for the ages.

Not since Tiger Woods in 1997 has a 21-year-old faced so little stress while making a mockery of par in a major. Not since Raymond Floyd in 1976 has anyone withstood the pressure of leading for all four rounds at Augusta National. Only one other Masters champion — Craig Wood in 1941 — has never let anyone closer to him than three shots the entire way.

Spieth took his place among the best in the game Sunday when he closed with a 2-under



AP Photo/Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Brant Sanderlin  
Jordan Spieth walks past the pond at the 15th green in route to winning the 2015 Masters at Augusta National Sunday in Augusta, Ga. v

70 for a four-shot victory over Phil Mickelson and Justin Rose, becoming the second-youngest champion behind Woods to wear a green jacket.

Spieth missed a 5-foot par putt on the final hole that only

kept him from breaking another record this week at the Masters. He tied the 72-hole scoring mark that Woods set at 18-under 270.

It was still enough to easily beat Mickelson (69) and Rose (70).

### AUTO RACING

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Jimmie Johnson was still chasing Jamie McMurray and Kevin Harvick, trying to get back in front as the laps wound down at Texas Motor Speedway.

Then Johnson got the break that led to his fifth NASCAR Sprint Cup victory at the track.

Johnson passed both of them Saturday night, regaining the lead for good with 14 laps left. He held off Harvick and Hendrick Motorsports teammate Dale Earnhardt Jr. for his second victory this season — and 72nd of his career.

Johnson led nine times for 128 laps. He also won in November at Texas, where all four of his previous wins had been in fall races.

The runner-up finish for Harvick comes after he was eighth

in Martinsville in the last Cup race two weeks ago. That ended his run of eight consecutive races finishing first or second, the longest such stretch since Richard Petty did it 11 times in a row in 1975.

AVONDALE, La. (AP) — James Hinchcliff cruised to what may go down as the easiest victory of his IndyCar career Sunday at the inaugural Indy Grand Prix of Louisiana.

The Canadian had a wet track and a fortunate pit strategy to thank for his fourth career victory. Hinchcliff, racing for Schmidt Peterson Motorsports, pitted only once on Lap 13, and then spent much of his day leading the field around the NOLA Motorsports Park under a full-course yellow flag.

Because of several wrecks in the traffic behind him, 25 of

47 laps were run under caution. The race was supposed to run 75 laps, but ended — fittingly under caution — as a timed race.

### NFL

CLEVELAND (AP) — Johnny Manziel has taken the first steps in his comeback.

The popular Browns quarterback was released from a rehab facility Saturday after more than 10 weeks, a person familiar with the situation told The Associated Press.

The 2012 Heisman Trophy winner from Texas A&M entered the undisclosed clinic, which specializes in drug and alcohol rehabilitation, on Jan. 28 for treatment of an unspecified problem. Manziel is expected to participate in Cleveland's offseason workouts beginning April 20, the person said.