Gull golfers add another Cowapa League title

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BANKS — Golfers from Astoria, Banks, Scappoose, Seaside, Tillamook and Valley Catholic gathered Monday, for what is likely the last District 1/4A (Cowapa League) tournament, hosted by the Braves at Quail Valley Golf Course.

With state qualifying taking place next week in regionals, there's no longer a need for the district tournaments. The District 1/4A meet will not be held next year.

And while Valley Catholic won Monday's tournament (fourstroke victory over Seaside), the Gulls came away with the Cowapa League title by virtue of an undefeated regular season. Valley Catholic shot 322 to secure Monday's win, to Seaside's 326. Scappoose was third at 352, followed by Tillamook (365) and Astoria (386). Banks was unable to field a complete team.

Tillamook freshman Carter Lee came away with medalist honors by shooting a four-over-

Valley Catholic's Ryan Schmidlin and Nick Tranquil finished tied for second with a pair of 77's, followed by a flock of Seagulls.

Shane Fritter was fourth with a 79, followed by Sam Hinton (80). Kevin LaCoste was in a three-way tie for sixth at 81. Trenten Meyer finished 10th with an 86, as all four Seaside seniors made the allleague team.

Also on the all-league team were Ross Philippi of Banks, John Woodruff of Valley Catholic and Nathan Mapes of Scappoose.

Astoria was led by Will Keeran with a 92, followed by Ron Schumacher (94), Kirk Fausett and Joey Voeller (100) and Arthur Clark (103).

"This tournament should be a good lesson for us," said Seaside coach Jim Poetsch. "We have too many people saying we should win a state title before even qualifying for the tournament. We need to ignore the hype and go out and earn anything we get from here on out.

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"Valley Catholic is a very good team, as is Marshfield and probably a team or two from which I haven't seen scores," he said. "We are a good team, but we will need to perform well next week to get to the state tournament.'

Fritter had the only even-par nine of the tournament, as he scored an Eagle on the 17th hole to shoot 36 on the back nine.

Hinton "was right behind Shane without the excitement, as he went the day without any holes under par," Poetsch said. "Earlier in the day, we pointed out that the pressure lay with Trenten and Kevin to give us a good counting score and they came through to-

day.
"Trenten gave us a good score and Kevin went above that and led all of our players though 16 holes. Having those two guys put up good numbers kept us close in this tournament.

"Fortunately we beat Valley in our dual earlier this season and are able to get a league title foe

Fastabend named AHS soccer coach

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Tim Fastabend is Astoria High School's new varsity boys soccer coach, Athletic Director Howard Rub announced Monday.

Fastabend replaces Bill Patterson, who recently resigned to become the head women's soccer coach at Portland Community College.

Fastabend has been a local youth soccer coach since the summer of 2000 and has served as a volunteer high school coach for both the Astoria boys and girls since fall 2011.

He has also served as the Lower Columbia Youth Soccer Association president (2010-14).

"Coach Fastabend is a great fit to assume the role of our head boys coach at this time," Rub said. "He understands the philosophies of the AHS Athletic Department and what we hope to provide for our student-athletes. Coach Fastabend is widely respected in Clatsop County for his work with LCYSA and his work as a local businessman

"He is a lifelong Astorian and has great pride in AHS athletics."

SCOREBOARD

Baseball - Scappoose at Astoria, 5 p.m.; Valley Catholic at Seaside, 5 p.m.; Warrenton at Rainier (2), 3:30 p.m.; Gaston at Knappa, 4:30 p.m.

Softball — Astoria at Valley Catholic, 5 p.m.; Seaside at Tillamook, 5 p.m.; Warrenton at Rainier (2), 3:30 p.m.; Gaston at Knappa, 4:30 p.m.

Girls Golf — District 1/4A, at Astoria GCC, 10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Baseball — Valley Catholic at Astoria, 5 p.m.; Tillamook at Seaside, 5 p.m.

toria, 3:30 p.m.; Banks Invitational, 3:30 p.m.; Warrenton at Oregon Episcopal, 3:30 p.m. **FRIDAY**

Baseball — Astoria at Tillamook, 5 p.m.; Seaside at Banks, 5 p.m.; Portland Christian at Warrenton (2), 3:30 p.m.; Knappa at Gaston (2), 3 p.m.

Softball -Banks at Astoria (2), 4 p.m.; Scappoose at Seaside (2), 4 p.m.; Portland Christian at Warrenton (2), 3:30 p.m.; Knappa at Gaston (2), 3 p.m.

BOYS GOLF HIGH SCHOOLS District 1/4A

at Quail Valley

Team: Valley Catholic 322

Seaside 326, Scappoose 352, Tillamook 365, Astoria 386, Banks, inc.

Medalist: Carter Lee, Tillamook, 76

Seaside (326)

Shane Fritter 43-36-79 Sam Hinton 41-39—80 Kevin LaCoste 39-42-81 Trenten Meyer 43-43—86 Aaron Richardson 42-46-

Astoria (386)

Will Keeran 51-41—92 Ron Schumacher 48-46-

Joey Voeller 50-50—100 Kirk Fausett 54-46-100 Arthur Clark 54-49-103



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