

Astoria girls undefeated in league track

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The Astoria girls track team put the finishing touches on their first undefeated league season, and the Astoria boys joined in the fun Friday afternoon, with a dual meet sweep over Scappoose.

Scappoose had several of its top athletes competing at the Wally Ciochetti Invitational in Cottage Grove, while the Fishermen had a few of their top runners entered in different events.

The Astoria boys won nine events, while the Lady Fishermen won 16 of 17 events.

Freshman Darian Hageman was a four-time winner for Astoria, as she soared to victories in the high jump, pole vault, long jump and triple jump.

Junior Halie Korff tacked on three wins in the shot put, discus (with a personal best 121 feet, 4 inches) and javelin, with teammate Taylor Cosner second in the discus and javelin.

Sophomore Natalie Cummings also had a hand in three wins, taking first in the 100 meters and running a leg on both relays.

Jillian Ketcham swept the hurdles, Kaisa Johnson did some speed work and won the 200 meters and 400 meters, while freshman Kaylee Mitchell ran the 1,500 meters for just the third time, and finished in 4 minutes, 54.95 seconds (less than five seconds off the school record).

As the Lady Fish head into this week's Cowapa League Championships at Banks, Hageman is ranked



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Astoria's Darian Hageman, left, gives teammate Daisy Gayral a hug following Gayral's personal best jump (34 feet, 2 inches) in the triple jump in Friday's track meet.

first in the state (4A) in the long jump and triple jump; Mitchell is first in the 800 meters; Korff is ranked third in the discus and shot put; and Cummings is third in the 100 meters.

For the Astoria boys, sophomore Lucas Caruana won Friday's 400 and 1,500, and ran the anchor leg on the winning long relay.

Senior Nick Ketcham won the shot put, while freshman teammate Tim Barnett took first in the discus (personal best 128-0) and javelin, and second in the shot.

Full results are available at athletic.net



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Victoria Kee, left, has already made the handoff to teammate Kaylee Mitchell for the third leg of Astoria's winning 400-meter relay race. More photos at www.dailyastorian.com.

Knappa softball, baseball perfect in league play

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GASTON — The Knappa Lady Loggers have made themselves one of the teams to beat in the upcoming Class 2A softball state playoffs — mainly because no team has been able to do just that since March 24.

The Loggers are riding a 20-game win streak as they enter the postseason, following their latest pair of wins, 6-3 and 11-0 Friday at Gaston.

Knappa fell behind 3-0 when the Greyhounds scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning of Game 1, before the Loggers staged a seventh-inning rally.

"It was just exciting to see the girls come back," Knappa coach James Nichols said. "Even after we got down in the sixth inning, we had some girls who told everybody, 'Don't get down. Stay in the game.' And it was those girls who came out and got hits in the seventh."

The Loggers had four singles in their seventh-inning rally, "And after we won, Gaston was just kind of deflated for the second game," he said.

Jaden Miethe, Kaitlyn Truax and Alyson Olheiser had two hits apiece in the opener, and Stacey Aho was 3-for-3 in Game 2, in which Truax hit her first career home run.

Leading the way in Friday's sweep was senior pitcher Kacie Cameron, who pitched both games and allowed just three hits in the opener, and five in Game 2. She struck out a combined 17.

"It was nice to see Kacie experience the league title," said Knappa coach James Nichols. "She was talented when she was a freshman, but she was a little nervous then. She's come a long way."

Nichols said he was told it was Knappa's first softball league title since 1957.

Warriors sweep Royals
WARRENTON — Warrenton snapped a four-game losing



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Astoria's Miranda Dietrichs, No. 8, connects with a pitch in the second inning of the softball game against Banks.

streak with a 12-2, 10-0 doubleheader sweep over Portland Christian Friday.

The Warriors (10-9 overall) outscored the Royals (0-23) 45-7 in the three-game series this season.

Warrenton improved to 4-4 in league play, and catch can second-place Clatskanie (6-2) in the league standings this week, with the Tigers facing Rainier and the Warriors scheduled to play a doubleheader with Portland Adventist (2-6).

Braves sweep Astoria

No. 2-ranked Banks kept its hold on first place in the Cowapa League softball standings, with a 13-1, 12-1 sweep over Astoria at CMH Field Friday.

The Lady Fishermen could manage only three hits in Game 1 and four in Game 2.

Kelsey Wullger had three hits on the day, including a double in both games.

Scappoose wins two

SEASIDE — After three straight league victories, the Seaside Gulls suffered a pair of losses Friday at Broadway Field, where Scappoose posted a 12-2, 17-8 sweep.

The Indians broke open a close Game 1 with five runs in

the fourth inning and four in the fifth. Scappoose finished with 14 hits, coupled with nine walks.

After Scappoose took a 1-0 lead in Game 2, Seaside scored four runs in the bottom of the first, as Paige Ideue and Ludy Bodner both drew walks, advanced on a passed ball and scored on a double by Jetta Ideue. Whitney Westerholm drew another walk, and after a pitching change, Allison Bussert singled to score both runners.

Scappoose scored four runs in the third, before Seaside rallied with two in the bottom of the third to retake the lead, highlighted by a leadoff triple from Westerholm.

The Indians took the lead for good with 10 runs in the top of the sixth.

Scappoose had 20 hits to Seaside's 11. Bryre Babbitt and Brianna Babbitt were both 2-for-4 with an RBI.

BASEBALL

Loggers win two

GASTON — Gaston once again took Knappa seven innings, but at the end of the day, the Loggers were still perfect, in a 10-0, 13-9 sweep.

Knappa is now 20-0 overall, 18-0 in the Northwest League.

Chase Rusinovich got the complete-game, five-inning win in Game 1, allowing one hit with 12 strikeouts.

Offensively, Jason Miller had three steals, Justin Drago had a triple, Rusinovich drove in two runs and Reuben Cruz had two hits and two steals.

Andrew Miller made his first start of the season in Game 2, Michael Goodman picked up the win in relief and Rusinovich got the save.

The game was tied 7-7 after two innings, before Knappa outscored Gaston 5-2 over the next three innings.

Andrew Miller was 5-for-5 with four doubles, as part of Knappa's 19-hit attack. Gaston had just six hits.

SCOREBOARD

PREP SCHEDULE

TODAY

Girls Golf — Regionals, Meriwether National Golf Club, Noon
Boys Golf — Regionals, Quail Valley, Noon

TUESDAY

Baseball — Seaside at Astoria, 5 p.m.; Callin Gabel at Warrenton (2), 3:30 p.m.; Portland Lutheran at Knappa, 4:30 p.m.

Softball — Tillamook at Astoria, 5 p.m.; Banks at Seaside, 5 p.m.; Portland Adventist at Warrenton (2), 3:30 p.m.

Girls Golf — Regionals, Quail Run Golf Course, Noon

Boys Golf — Regionals, TBA

WEDNESDAY

Baseball — Banks at Astoria, 5 p.m.; Scappoose at Seaside, 5 p.m.

BASEBALL

HIGH SCHOOLS

Astoria 23, Tillamook 2
Astoria 51(14) 30—23 20 0
Tillamook 000 02—2 6 2
Wallace, Lyngstad (3) and Helmersen; Maloney, Ramage (3), Brown (3) and Harmon. W: Wallace. L: Maloney. RB: Ast, Scott 7, Wallace 3, Strange 3, Fremstad 2, Helmersen 2, O'Brien

2, Tuimato, Hageman, Brawley, Brown; Til, Werner 2. 2B: Ast, Brawley, Scott, Fremstad; Til, Ramage, Werner. HR: Ast, Wallace. HBP: Tuimato 2, Brown, Strange, Fremstad. LOB: Astoria 7, Tillamook 6. DP: Tillamook.

Seaside 11, Warrenton 1

Seaside 326 00—11 4 1
Warrenton 000 10—1 3 6
Walsh and Quicke; Holthusen, Little (3) and McFadden, Foster (3). W: Walsh. L: Holthusen. 2B: Sea, Quicke; War, Michaelson.

Game 1

Warrenton 11, P. Christian 9
P.Christian 310 041 0—9 6 2
Warrenton 012 050 3—11 11 4
L: Benfield and G. Benfield; Michaelson, Johnson (6) and McFadden. W: Johnson. L: L. Benfield. 2B: PC, Madison; War, Michaelson, Johnson. 3B: War, Little. HR: PC, L. Benfield; War, Little.

Game 2

Warrenton 12, P. Christian 2
P.Christian 000 02—2 3 4
Warrenton 0(12) 0x—12 10 2
Osborne, G. Benfield (3) and Moultrie; Johnson, Little (5) and McFadden. W: Johnson. L: Osborne. 2B: War, McFadden, Little, Wilson.

Game 1

Knappa 10, Gaston 0
Knappa 043 12—10 13 0
Gaston 000 00—0 1 2
Rusinovich and Truax; Davis, Sweet (4) and Anderson. W: Rusinovich. L: Davis.

Game 2

Knappa 13, Gaston 9
Knappa 433 120 0—13 19 3
Gaston 250 200 0—9 6 3
A. Miller, Goodman, Rusinovich and Truax; Davis, Reynolds (4) and Anderson. W: Goodman. L: Davis. S: Rusinovich.

SOFTBALL

HIGH SCHOOLS

Game 1

Scappoose 12, Seaside 2
Scappoose 101 541—12 14 1
Seaside 100 100—2 6 2
W: Kendal Bailey (2 K's, 0 walks). L: Allie Bussert (0 K's, 9 walks). LOB: Scappoose 10, Seaside 3.

Game 2

Scappoose 17, Seaside 8
Scappoose 10400(10)2—17 20 4
Seaside 402 002 0—8 11 2
W: Nicole Dougherty (7 K's, 2 walks). L: Jetta Ideue (3 K's, 3 walks). LOB: Scappoose 6, Seaside 8.

The Loggers can complete their second straight undefeated league season with a sweep over Portland Lutheran this week.

Astoria 23, Tillamook 2

TILLAMOOK — After an 8-4 win over Tillamook April 16, Astoria scored a more typical 23-2 victory over the Cheesemakers Friday at Tillamook.

Ten Astoria players drove in runs, including a seven-RBI performance by Nick Scott, who was 4-for-5 and also had a double. Carter Wallace had four hits, including a home run.

Astoria scored 14 runs off three pitchers in the third inning. In other Cowapa action Friday, Banks defeated Seaside, 16-3.

Seaside 11, Warrenton 1

WARRENTON — Seaside built an 11-0 lead through three innings, on its way to an 11-1 win Saturday in a nonleague game at Warrenton.

Brent Walsh got the complete-game win for the Gulls, holding the Warriors to just three hits. Warrenton committed six errors in the loss.

Zach Quicke had a double for Seaside, which had four hits.

Warriors sweep Royals

WARRENTON — Warrenton needed a walk-off home run to win Game 1, then cruised to a 10-run victory in Game 2 in an 11-9, 12-2 sweep over Portland Christian Friday at Huddleston Field.

The opener was marked by two Warrior rallies, as Portland Christian built an 8-3 lead in the top of the fifth inning, before Warrenton scored five in the bottom of the fifth to tie.

Portland Christian added a run in the sixth for a 9-8 lead, but the Warriors rallied again in the seventh. Brock Johnson led off with a double and scored on a throwing error to tie the game; and with Hunter Wilson on second, Joe Little belted a two-run, game-ending homer to left field.

In Game 2, Warrenton scored 12 runs in the second inning, while Johnson and Little limited the Royals to just three hits in the five-inning game.

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