



Astoria's Fridtjof Fremstad dives into the end zone for a touchdown during the second quarter. View more photos from the game online at www.dailyastorian.com

Fishermen: Next up are the Seagulls

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“One of our goals is to qualify, and qualify as soon as possible,” Rub said. “And one more win should get us into at least the play-in round.”

Astoria has not had two wins in a league season since going 3-2 in 2012. The Fishermen play a banged up Seaside team next week, with the Gulls coming off a 41-7 loss to Banks Thursday.

But, first things first. Astoria's win Thursday was the first shutout victory for the Fishermen since Oct. 30, 2009 (a 42-0 win over Tillamook).

“We've been continuing to get better defensively every week,” Rub said. “Even in our two losses our defense did a lot of good things — unfortunately our offense has put our defense in a lot of tough situations.”

“Trying to get the shutout was important for our guys,” he said. “That was a big deal. The defense actually pitched one last week (a 28-2 win at Valley Catholic), since the only two points we gave up came on offense.”

Astoria's defense held the Cheesemakers to just 84 yards rushing on 38 carries (2.2 yards per carry). The Fishermen also forced six fumbles, recovering five.

They made a tough goal-line stand late in the game to preserve the shutout.

Astoria led 12-0 at halftime. After a scoreless first quarter, the Fishermen scored less than two minutes into the second, as they capped a seven-play, 70-yard drive with a 9-yard run by quarterback Fridtjof Fremstad.

The teams exchanged fumbles after that, then Astoria scored its second touchdown on a 4-yard run by Englund with 2:30 left in the first half.

Third-quarter blowout

After the halftime homecoming festivities, the Fishermen picked up where they off, and put the game away just minutes into the third quarter.

Englund capped a four-play drive with a 3-yard touchdown run, and after the Cheesemakers fumbled away the ensuing kickoff, Wallace was in the end zone less than two minutes later to make it 25-0.

Following another Tillamook turnover, Astoria scored on its third straight possession, as Samboy Tuimato accounted for 29 yards of a 36-yard drive.

A transfer from Tilla-



Astoria students cheer during the game against Tillamook. The Fishermen won 32-0.

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moor, Tuimato scored on a 1-yard run for the final touchdown.

“That was our best second half of the year,” Rub said. “It sort of reminded me of our two losses (to Philomath and Scappoose). We were close at halftime, then the game kind of got away and the score went sideways on us.”

“The defense has been doing a lot of good things, and on offense we’ve been able to start using Clay Englund more effectively,” he said. “Carter Wallace has done a great job blocking — he’s being unselfish in that regard. He’s a great team guy, because it’s truly about us having more team success.”

Wallace led Astoria with 134 yards on 19 carries, and Englund finished with 89 yards on just 10 attempts. For good measure, Fremstad gained 42 yards on six carries, as Astoria rolled up 275 yards on the ground.

“And we’re happy with Chris (Williams) and Samboy,” Rub said. “There’s just so many touches to go around. We feel pretty good about being two-deep at both running back spots.”

“Our line is a little banged up right now, but it was great to have Bronson Holthusen back in the lineup. He showed a lot of toughness coming off his injury (a separated shoulder).”

Meanwhile, the Cheesemakers came into Thurs-



Astoria's Landon Law forces a fumble in the second quarter.



Astoria's Clay Englund is tackled after a catch in the fourth quarter.

day's contest with a 1-1 league record, following an upset win over Seaside the week before.

Astoria High School graduate Kye Johnson was making a return to his hometown as head coach of the Cheesemakers, who defeated Astoria 21-14 in overtime last season.

“I’m proud to see Kye coaching,” Rub said of his former quarterback. “He’s doing a good job with that program, and I’m sure Til-

lamook is going to be happy with the results.”

Banks 41, Seaside 7

SEASIDE — The Banks Braves posted a 41-7 win over Seaside Thursday night at Broadway Field.

Banks improved to 2-1 in league play, a game behind first-place Scappoose, while the Gulls fall to 1-2.

Seaside hosts Astoria next Friday at Broadway Field.

Details were unavailable for Thursday's game.

Knappa nets win in four

ROCKAWAY BEACH — Knappa cruised past Neah-Kah-Nie in a Northwest League volleyball match Thursday, 10-25, 25-13, 26-24, 25-21.

The Loggers regrouped after a Game 1 loss to win three straight.

Kaitlyn Landwehr paced Knappa with five kills, nine digs and six assists, while Ashly Silva was 18-for-19 serving with 11 digs.

Jaden Miethe had 21 digs for the Loggers, who improve to 4-5 in league play.

Mack Strain had six ace serves for Knappa, and Paris Vanderburg added three aces, three digs and two assists.

SCOREBOARD

PREP SCHEDULE		(Schauermann kick) 4:20	
TODAY		Team Statistics	
Football — Corbett at Warrenton, 7 p.m.; Gaston at Knappa, 7 p.m.; Ocosta at Ilwaco, 7 p.m.		TIL	AST
SATURDAY		First Downs	12 22
Football — Naselle at Mary M. Knight, 1 p.m.		Total Offense	174 338
Volleyball — Seaside Tournament, 8:30 a.m.		Rushes-yards	38-84 43-275
Cross Country — George Fox Classic, 11:30 a.m.		Passing	90 63
		Comp-Att-Int	8-15-0 4-11-0
		Fumbles-lost	6-5 2-1
		Turnovers	5 1
		Penalties-yards	8-75 9-61
		Tillamook Statistics	
		Rushing: Moore 15-41, Martinez 9-31, Weir 6-24, No.26 1-3, Torres 2-(-3), Hurliman 5-(-12).	
		Passing: Hurliman 5-10-38-0, Weir 3-5-52-0. Receiving: Prulhiere 2-50, Buchler 2-13, Johnson 1-18, No. 6 1-4, Macias 1-4, Moore 1-1.	
		Astoria Statistics	
		Rushing: Wallace 19-134, Englund 10-89, Fremstad 6-42, Williams 2-14, Tuimato 3-9, Ranta 2-(-6), Hageman 1-(-7).	
		Passing: Fremstad 4-10-63-0, Wallace 0-1-0-0. Receiving: Strange 1-23, Tuimato 1-20, Englund 1-12, Olson 1-8.	
FOOTBALL			
ASTORIA 32, TILLAMOOK 0			
Tillamook 0 0 0 0-0			
Astoria 0 12 20 0-32			
Second Quarter			
AST: Fridtjof Fremstad 9 run (pass failed) 10:07			
AST: Clay Englund 4 run (run failed) 2:30			
Third Quarter			
AST: Englund 3 run (Andrew Schauermann kick) 9:06			
AST: Carter Wallace 3 run (kick failed) 7:30			
AST: Samboy Tuimato 1 run			



Astoria's Jacob Olson tries to make a catch during the first quarter.