

# Astoria hopes for Fishermen sweep in Dulcich

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The Astoria Fishermen scored another impressive victory Tuesday night, as they topped Sutherlin 42-30, in a boys semifinal game of the Vince Dulcich Tournament.

The 47th annual tourney at the Brick House concludes tonight with Astoria facing Sandy in the boys' championship game, which will tip off around 9 p.m.

Sutherlin and Astoria will play for the girls' championship (see story below), tip-off at 7:30 p.m., as Astoria basketball will look to make it a Fishermen sweep in the finals.

The Fishermen boys will bring a 6-1 record into their title contest. Needless to say, it's been a while since Astoria has seen 6-1 to start a season (first time this century, at least).

"The big difference is that we're finishing games," said Astoria coach Kevin Goin. "In the past, we struggled to take care of leads. Now we're learning and growing inch by inch, and learning how to play with a lead. We struggled with some decision-making in the fourth quarter tonight, but that's to be expected when you just haven't been in those situations a lot."

The game was tied 6-6, before the Fishermen went on a 22-8 run to close the first half.

Kyle Strange had a 3-point-er to start the run, and added a trey in the second period. Derek Jarrett scored on a put-back, and Fridtjof Fremstad's layup in the closing seconds gave Astoria a 28-14 halftime lead.

The Fishermen were 11-of-21 from the field in the first half, while Sutherlin finished 2-of-18 from the 3-point line.

Astoria's Jackson Arnsdorf came off the bench for four points in the third quarter, including a tip-in at the buzzer, following a missed shot.

"I wanted to get him some more minutes, because I noticed that when he's in there, good things happen," Goin said of Arnsdorf.

Strange led Astoria with 14 points, followed by Fremstad with nine.



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**Astoria's Fridtjof Fremstad, No. 12, shoots under heavy pressure against Sutherlin at Astoria High School Tuesday. More photos online at [www.dailyastorian.com](http://www.dailyastorian.com)**

## Rainier 66, Knappa 51

Knappa's Dale Takalo scored a game-high 22 points and teammate Colton Weirup added 12, but it wasn't enough for the Loggers in a Tuesday afternoon consolation game of the Dulcich Tournament.

Rainier made a 15-7 run in the third quarter, helping the Columbians to a 66-51 win.

Patrick Hansen had 21 points for Rainier, and Alec Earls added 14.

The Loggers "didn't play well enough to win," said Knappa coach Chris Spencer. "Hats off to Rainier. They were the better team today."

## Girls

### Astoria 47, R.A. Long 30

The challenges (and the opponents) seem to be getting bigger every week for the Astoria girls basketball team.

And so far, the Lady Fishermen are overcoming all the challenges.

Astoria brought down another bigger team Tuesday night at the Brick House, in a championship semifinal game of the Dulcich Tournament.

The Lady Fishermen jumped out to a 9-0 lead over R.A. Long, on their way to a 47-30 win.

Rylee DeMander's steal and layup made it 9-0 just minutes into the game, on her way to a 13-point night.

Kaylee Mitchell scored on a runner, Alexis Wallace nailed a 3-pointer, and DeMander's basket off another turnover made it 30-15 at halftime.

Wallace had 10 points and Mitchell added nine for Astoria, which will face Sutherlin in tonight's tournament championship.

## Clatskanie 64, Knappa 33

Less than 24 hours after losing a 59-4 decision to Astoria, the Knappa girls basketball team made big improvements in the

## SCOREBOARD

### BOYS BASKETBALL

**Astoria 42, Sutherlin 30**  
SUT (30): Cody Brownson 13, Eakin 6, McKnight 6, Briggs 3, Shelton 2.  
**AST (42):** Kyle Strange 14, Fremstad 9, Fruith 6, Jarrett 6, Arnsdorf 4, Englund 2, Palek 1, Gohl.  
**Sutherlin 6 8 7 9—30**  
**Astoria 11 17 8 6—42**

**Rainier 66, Knappa 51**  
KNA (51): Dale Takalo 22, Weirup 12, Miller 6, Engblom 4, Goodman 3, Severson 2, Rubus 2, Eltagonde, Geisler.  
RAI (66): Patrick Hansen 21, Earls 14, Carr 9, C. Tripp 9, Avery 7, Guisinger 4, J. Tripp 1, Guerr 1.  
**Knappa 13 12 7 19—51**  
**Rainier 18 14 15 19—66**

**Seaside 58, Stayton 51**  
SEA (58): Jaxson Smith 14, Januik 12, Thompson 11, Marston 10, Babb 8, Eagon 2, Lewis 2,

Cazarez, Hoekstre, Richardson, Bassett.

**STA (51):** Kyle Schwarm 14, Diehl 10, Lindemann 9, Weeks 8, Nau 6, St. Clair 2, Daniels 2.

**Seaside 18 18 7 14—58**  
**Stayton 18 8 17 8—51**

**Neah-Kah-Nie 51, Jewell 18**  
JWL (18): Trystan Silva 7, Stahly 6, Murray 4, Meehan 1, Gerken, Hinson, Ritchie, Lyon.

**NKN (51):** Max Halvorson 10, Hooley 8, Champ 7, Croman 6, Myers 4, Dorsey 4, Holm 4, Davidson 3, Kelly 2, Marugg 2.  
**Jewell 2 6 5 5—18**  
**Neah-Kah-Nie 14 8 17 12—51**

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

**Astoria 47, R.A. Long 30**  
RAL (30): Khloe Snair 12, Reeves 10, Seals 4, Maryott 2, Didier 2.

**AST (47):** Rylee DeMander 13, Wallace 10, Mitchell 9, Hunt 8,

Mickle 5, Hemsley 2, Dalton, Abrahams, Gimre, Rogers.

**RA Long 8 7 6 9—30**  
**Astoria 15 15 9 8—47**

**Clatskanie 64, Knappa 33**  
CLA (64): Rachel Haas 14, Mackenzie Mitchell 14, Sage Miller 14, Warren 11, Simmons 9, Sermi-no 2, Lindblom 2.

**KNA (33):** Paris Vanderburg 11, Landwehr 8, Corder 7, Vandergriff 5, Miethe 2, McMahan, Silva, Strain, Inman, Truax.  
**Clatskanie 19 17 14 14—64**  
**Knappa 9 7 11 6—33**

**Joseph 51, Jewell 16**  
JWL (16): Emma Guillen 7, A. Littlepage 5, Morales 3, Kaczanski 1, Haddock, Olvera.

**JOS (51):** Satori Albee 14, Hite 8, Sykora 7, Williams 7, Cooney 6, Wellens 2, Makin 2.  
**Jewell 3 2 5 6—16**  
**Joseph 8 10 18 15—51**

consolation round against Clatskanie, Tuesday afternoon at the Brick House.

The Loggers had quadrupled Monday's point total by half-time, but Clatskanie still scored the victory, 64-33.

The Tigers had three players score 14 points apiece, while Paris Vanderburg led Knappa with 11 points and six rebounds. Kaitlyn Landwehr added eight points, seven boards and three assists.

## Stayton Holiday Classic Girls

### Seaside 52, Stayton 33

Seaside junior Maddi Utti continues to make a strong bid for state Player of the Year, and the Lady Gulls continue to win games, as Utti scored 25 in a 52-33 victory over Stayton Tuesday.

The Gulls advance to the championship game of the Stayton Holiday Classic, where they will face Molalla tonight.

Utti was 11-of-16 from the field, and pulled down 12 rebounds with five steals and four assists.

Sydney Villegas added six rebounds and Whitney Westermohm had five assists.

## Boys

### Seaside 58, Stayton 51

Six quick points by Seaside in the final 40 seconds led to a 58-51 Gulls' victory over Stayton Tuesday night, in a championship semifinal of the Stayton Holiday Classic.

Jackson Januik hit two key free throws, and teammate Hunter Thompson had two big steals to seal the deal in yet another win. The Gulls will take on Gladstone in tonight's championship game.

The Gulls had four players in double figures, led by Jaxson Smith (14 points), with Januik (12), Thompson (11) and Zach Marston (10).

Seaside trailed 9-2 to start the game.

## Driftwood Classic Boys

### Neah-Kah-Nie 51, Jewell 18

A 14-2 lead after one quarter sparked Neah-Kah-Nie to a 51-18 win over Jewell Tuesday, in a consolation game of the Driftwood Classic in Rockaway Beach.

Max Halvorson scored 10 points for the Pirates, while Trystan Silva led Jewell with seven. Ben Stahly added six points and seven rebounds.

## Girls

### Joseph 51, Jewell 16

Joseph posted a 51-16 victory over Jewell in a Driftwood Classic consolation game Tuesday.

Emma Guillen highlighted Jewell's effort with seven points and nine rebounds.

## Ilwaco Holiday Classic Girls

### Ilwaco 70, Castle Rock 32

The Ilwaco girls opened their own tournament Tuesday night with a 70-32 win over Castle Rock.

Mackenzie Kaech led the Fishermen with 20 points. Hannah Ellsworth added 15.

Madeline Jacobson chipped in 11 points, with 11 rebounds and four blocks. Kaech had eight rebounds and five steals.

## Boys basketball

### Naselle 62, Lyle 60

A buzzer beater by Naselle's Donny Edwards sent the game into overtime, where the Comets outscored Lyle/Wishram for a 62-60 win Tuesday night.

Naselle trailed by 12 points in the fourth quarter, before the Comets rallied to tie.

Comet Travis Pine led all scorers with 26 points.





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