

# Fishermen off to state with win over Huskies



The Daily Astorian

The Astoria Fishermen opened the 2016 post-season on a positive note Friday, scorching the Sweet Home Huskies, 7-2, in a Class 4A Regional Play-in baseball game at Aiken Field.

Astoria pitchers Fridtjof

**Astoria's Fridtjof Fremstad, No. 2, pitches in April.**

Joshua Bessex  
The Daily Astorian

Fremstad and Carter Wallace combined on a three-hitter for the Fishermen, who improve to 15-11 overall.

And now it's on to the state playoffs for the 13th time in the last 14 years for the Fishermen, in a run which began in 2003 under Ralph Steinback.

Astoria will open play in the state playoffs Wednesday, 5 p.m. at North Bend.

Fremstad started and pitched six and a third

innings, striking out six with one walk. The Huskies scored both of their runs in the seventh inning, on three Astoria errors.

Other than that, the Fishermen were flawless in the field, while seven different players had hits for Astoria.

Nick Strange, Samboy Tuimato and Wallace each had a double for the Fishermen, who gave Fremstad an early lead on Strange's two-run double to right field in

the second inning. Strange took third when the Huskies missed the cutoff throw to the infield.

Tuimato's double came in the third, and he scored on a pair of errors, as the Huskies struggled defensively with five errors on the day.

Ole Englund had a pair of run-scoring singles for the Fishermen, who stranded eight base runners and finished with four errors in the field, three in the seventh.

# Champs: Hageman was the 4A girls High-Point Athlete

Continued from Page 1A

the scoreboard — the Fishermen would only pull away from there.

The Lady Fish won at state in 1981 and then had to wait until last year for their next championship title.

Sophomore Darian Hageman was honored as the 4A girls High-Point Athlete putting up 32.5 across her four events. The highlight came with a win in the triple jump where she set the state record twice in the process.

She got out ahead of the competition by 2 full feet stretching out to 37-feet, 2.5-inches on her first attempt. Her next trip saw her surpass the 4A state mark at 38-1, and she would advance that record on her fifth trip at 38-6½.

"I was really focused on getting the most out of my final phase — that's always the part of the jump that drags me down," Hageman said. "Today I was able to get some good height out of it and that carried me."

Even her shortest attempt would have won the competition by more than a foot.

"I always try to get a good one out there early, so I can be relaxed the rest of the way and try some new things," Hageman said.

Hageman cleared 5-8 to win the high jump on Friday, getting over the bar on third attempts at her last two heights. She also survived some nervous moments to win the long jump (17-7½) Friday, needing a safe run at the end of preliminaries after fouling her first two times down the runway. Her 'safe' attempt proved to be her best of the day, vaulting her to the top of the leaderboard heading into finals. Hageman started her Saturday session by tying for sixth in the pole vault.

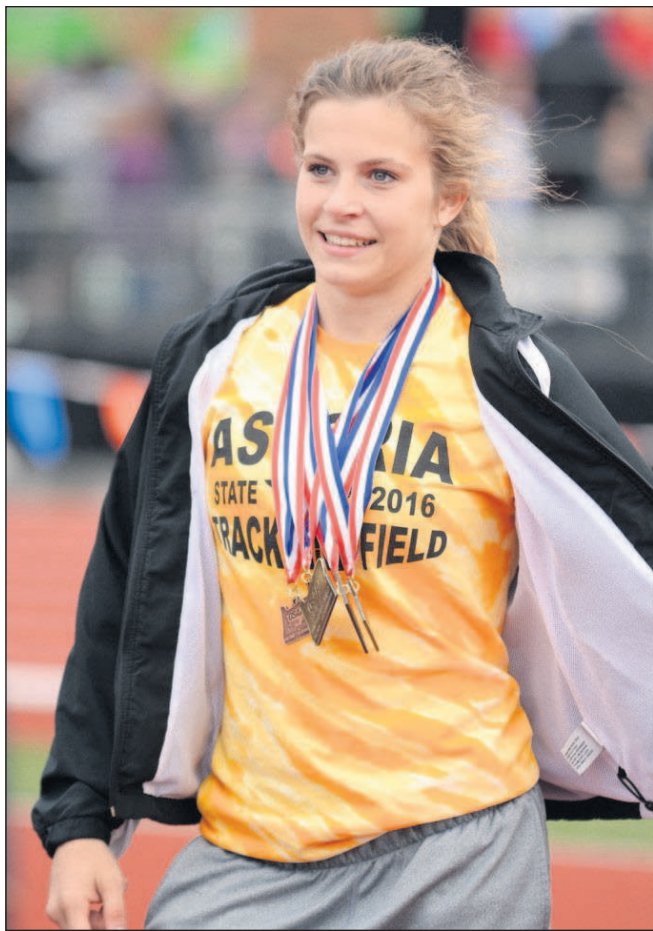
"Darian is just an incredible athlete. I can't tell you how many meet and school records she has gone through this season," Parks said. "She always rises to the challenge, and it's infectious for the rest of the team."

## The pack

Kaylee Mitchell scored a pair of runner-up finishes in the distance races, starting her day in the 1,500-meter final where she would hold the lead twice. Halfway through the race, she found herself at the lead of the pack, checking over her shoulder coming around the turn.

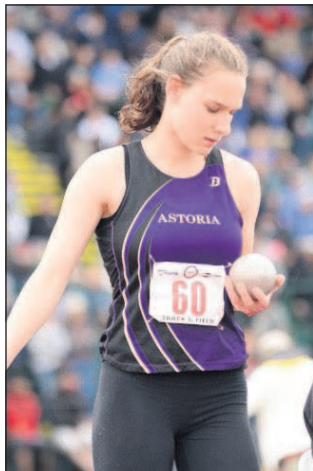
"I wanted to see how much space I had, and who was there with me," she said.

She would stay in the pacesetter spot for almost a full loop of the track before Yamhill-Carlton senior Perin Xthona moved into the lead at the bell lap. The two dueling for the next 200 meters with Mitchell swinging to the outside and briefly pulling ahead late on the back-



Photos by David Ball/For the Daily Astorian

**As only a sophomore, Astoria's Darian Hageman is one of the most-decorated athletes in school history.**



**LEFT: Astoria junior Skadi Freyr scored a second-place finish in the shot put, and added big points in the discus and javelin. RIGHT: Astoria's Kaylee Mitchell added crucial points in the 800- and 1,500-meter races.**



## SCOREBOARD

### PREP SCHEDULE

#### WEDNESDAY

Baseball — 4A State Playoff: Astoria at North Bend, 5 p.m.; 2A State Playoff: Oakland at Knappa, 4:30 p.m.

#### BASEBALL

Class 4A Regional Play-in

Astoria 7, Sweet Home 2  
S. Home 000 000 2-23 5  
Astoria 021 301 x-79 4  
Virtue, Stafford (4) and Aiona; Fremstad, Wallace (7) and Helmersen. W: Fremstad. L: Virtue.  
RBI: Ast, Strange 2, Englund 2, Helmersen, Wallace, Tuimato. 2B: Ast, Strange, Tuimato, Wallace.  
LOB: Sweet Home 2, Astoria 8.

stretch. Xthona answered the challenge and came through the finish line a couple strides ahead.

Mitchell clocked in second in 4:43.51.

"During practice runs our 1-mile marker is a Dutch Bros., so I pictured the race like that — I was running from Dutch Bros. back to a sign we hit when we finish," Mitchell said.

She returned to the track later in the afternoon to place second in the 800 (2:18.02). Mitchell came off the final turn a full stride in front of two challengers, but Siu-slaw's Destinie Tatum swung wide and put on a spurt that

gave her the win.

Cummings followed up her relay performance with a photo-finish win in the 100-meter dash (12.33), leaning through the line .03 hundredths ahead of North Valley rookie Baylee Touey.

"I felt her coming on the outside, but I pushed to the very end and got it," Cummings said.

She would take the runner-up spot in the 200 later in the day.

## Seaside's Januik 2-for-2 in the 800

The Daily Astorian

EUGENE — While the Astoria girls were busy winning their second straight team title, there were other athletes from Clatsop County accepting medals at Hayward Field.

Topping the list (and the awards stand) was Seaside junior Jackson Januik, who continued the Gulls' winning ways in the 800 meters.

For the third time in four years, a Seaside athlete was winning the 800 final on the final day of the state meet, as Januik outdueled Henley's Chris Ramirez to win Saturday's final in 1 minute, 58.42 seconds.

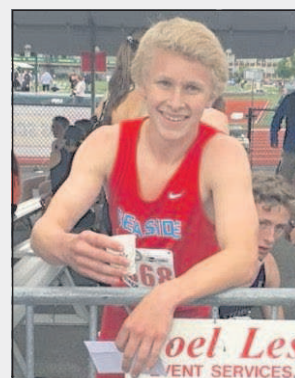
Ramirez finished in 1:59.17, followed closely by Astoria's Lucas Caruana (1:59.22).

Seaside graduate Brett Willyard was the 800 state champion in 2013, and now Januik is the 2015 and '16 winner. In Friday's preliminary, Januik ran a personal best 1:57.91, fourth-fastest in school history.

Only a junior, Januik will be the clear favorite to make it 4 for 5 next year.

Other point-scorers from the weekend were Seaside's Raiden Bowles, who cleared 14-feet to take third in the pole vault; and the Gulls' Jaxson Smith, seventh in the long jump (20-7).

The foursome of Hunter



Submitted Photo

**Seaside's Jackson Januik takes a breather after winning his second straight state title in the 800 meters.**

Thompson, Januik, Will Garvin and Juneau Meyer combined for a 3:31.97 (seventh) in the 1,600-meter relay.

The Fishermen had two other medal winners, both in the throws, as Zander Arnold was seventh in the shot put (48-3¼), and Tim Barnett placed eighth in the discus (134-3).

## Warriors take five

The 3A/2A/1A portion of the state meet took place Thursday and Friday, and all three Clatsop County schools placed athletes on the victory stand.

Warrenton took five athletes to the meet, scored a combined 10 points, and returned with four medals.

The Warriors had a pair of sixth-place showings in the field events, as senior Eli Petersen closed out his

career with a toss of 43 feet, 9½ inches in the shot put; and junior Tyler Whitaker scored his highest finish, taking sixth in the triple jump (41-7).

Whitaker added a seventh-place in the long jump (19-11¼), and Taylor Owens took seventh in the girls' 300-meter hurdle finals (50.87).

Devon Bowser finished ninth in the shot put (42-4½) and 10th in the discus (106-2); and Rodrigo Verrisimo cleared 10-6 for 10th in the pole vault.

## Vandergriff scores

In the 2A meet, Knappa's Devin Vandergriff qualified for the 400-meter final, and placed sixth in 1:02.75.

Senior Chris Montano soared 39-¾ for eighth in the triple jump, in addition to a 10th place showing in the long jump.

Vandergriff had the 11th-fastest time in the 800 meters; and Chelsea Sapp took 12th in the triple jump.

## Jays win medals

Jewell had two seventh-place finishes at the 1A level — Sean Hinson in the discus (125-7) and Gabi Morales in the 300 hurdles (50.02).

Hinson was 10th in the javelin, and the boys' 400 relay team of Trystan Silva, Hinson, Dallas Ritchie and Ben Stahly had the 11th fastest time (48.26).

Skadi Freyr and Halie Korff scored across all three throwing events with Freyr taking second in the shot put (40-3¼), third in the javelin (123-9) and sixth in the discus (112-0). She held the top mark through the first round of throws in the shot put.

Korff was fifth in the discus (113-2), fifth in the javelin (118-0) and eighth in the shot put (35-11). She was the final qualifier out of prelims, but jumped up four spots on the leaderboard in the discus after her first two throws of finals.

The Fishermen scored points in all seven field events, putting multiple athletes onto the podium in four of them.

Other Astoria scorers were Daisy Gayral (sixth, triple jump) and Gracie Cummings (seventh, 100 and 200).

• On the boys side, Astoria's Lucas Caruana was one of three racers to break the two-minute barrier in the 800. He battled for position at the

bell lap, squeezing through some tight spaces to move into fourth place on the inside of the track, setting himself up to make a challenge on the backstretch.

"I didn't want to get stuck behind the pack again — that happened to me last year — I wanted to be in position to swing out and make a surge," Caruana said.

He came through by zipping forward into second place — a spot he would hold until a step before the fin-

ish line. Henley senior Chris Ramirez flashed by in lane two, leaning through the finish line .05 hundredths ahead to leave Caruana in third place at 1:59.22.

"That last 200 feels like you are walking even though you are going as fast as you can — I didn't expect anyone to come up behind me," Caruana said.

David Ball is the sports editor for the Gresham Outlook, Sandy Post and Estacada News.

## WANTED

Alder and Maple Saw Logs & Standing Timber

Northwest Hardwoods • Longview, WA

Contact: Steve Axtell • 360-430-0885 or John Anderson • 360-269-2500

## JOB FAIR

escape lodging

GET HIRED!!

BRING YOU, your stellar resume and a smile!

# FUN FEST

Are you looking for extra hours, a new job or a fun company to grow with?

Join Escape Lodging for FUNFEST 2016!

## WHEN:

TUESDAY, MAY 24TH - ANYTIME FROM 3-6PM

## WHERE:

CANNON BEACH CHAMBER  
207 N SPRUCE ST. - CANNON BEACH, OR

## WHY:

YOU'RE ROCK AWESOME!  
+ YOU MIGHT WIN SOMETHING.

escapelodging.com



NOW OPEN & WE NEED YOU!

Pelican Brewing Company is

## NOW HIRING

Cooks, Dishwashers, Servers, Hosts & Bussers

APPLY IN PERSON ANYTIME AT:  
1371 SW Hemlock, Cannon Beach

OR SEND YOUR RESUME TO:  
Employment@Pelicanbrewing.com

www.yourlittlebeachtown.com/employment

Questions? Call Stephanie 503-965-7779 ext. 307

102.3 KCRX & KAST-AM 1370 present

present

the California Beach Boys  
Friday, May 27th  
at the Liberty Theatre

Tickets at the box office and ticketwest.com

102.3 fm  
KCRX  
the Classic Rock Station

1370 AM  
KAST  
NEWS & TALK