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**CLATSOP CLASH | SEASIDE WINS**

## FOURTH STRAIGHT



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The action got a little intense late in the first half, as Astoria's Cole Beeson threatened to score. The efforts of Seaside goalkeeper Jesus Perez (on ground) and Colton Carter turned Beeson away.

### Seagulls score in 71st minute to snap tie

By GARY HENLEY  
 The Daily Astorian

**WARRENTON** — It was a little "Clatsop Clash Throwback" in boys soccer Tuesday night at Volunteer Field.

Physical play, yellow cards, a penalty kick, a late goal to win it ... and in the end, Seaside posted its fourth-straight win over Astoria, 2-1.

And four Clatsop Clash victories for the Gulls — is something Seaside has not done since the 1990s.

Colton Carter's goal off a short pass from Henry Chapman in the 71st minute snapped a 1-1 tie, and kept Seaside's league title hopes alive.

Seaside dominated the first half of play in both time of possession and shots on goal, yet led just 1-0 at the break.

In the 13th minute, Car-



Seaside's Brent Walsh, left, and Astoria's Gustavo Velazquez battle for possession in first half action.

ter took a crossing pass and hammered home the first shot of the game, scoring from 25 yards out.

Minutes later, Carter banged a shot attempt off the right post.

The Fishermen came out charged in the second half, and played evenly with the Gulls for the first 10 minutes.

A shot on goal by Trevor Byrd was saved by Sea-

side keeper Jesus Perez, and the Gulls managed to break up a pair of corner kick opportunities.

It was a penalty kick that evened the score in the 53rd minute.

At the 13:50 mark of the second half, a handball was called on the Gulls in the penalty area, resulting in a penalty kick for Astoria's Rafael Alcantar.

As Seaside keeper Jesus Perez dove to his right, Alcantar went the other way, placing the ball into the lower right of the net to tie the game.

The next 10 minutes was Seaside senior Jackson Januik vs. Astoria goalkeeper Kyle Birge.

A recharged Januik was all over the field, and delivered three laser-beam shots on goal, all of which were saved by Birge.

"Kudos to the Astoria keeper," said Seaside coach John Chapman. "He made some great saves. The two low attempts by Jackson were good shots, and (Birge) made a couple of diving saves."

The one shot that Birge couldn't save came with 8:50 left, when Henry Chapman chipped a pass over an Astoria defender, Carter gathered it in, positioned himself for the shot, and fired it into the back of the net, just inside the right post.

In the closing minutes, Januik broke up an Astoria breakaway by Aldo Cruz, preventing a possible goal.

## Penalty kick wins it for Seaside girls

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Seaside scored its second win of the season Tuesday, in a late night Clatsop Clash game with Astoria at CMH Field.

A penalty kick by Seaside's Lizzy Barnes midway through the second half was the game's lone goal, giving the Gulls a 1-0 victory.

The Lady Gulls take over fourth-place in the league standings, at 2-4-1 (2-7-2 overall), ahead of Astoria (1-5-1).

"The beginning of the game started a little slow, but then we started applying some

pressure," said Seaside first-year coach Josh Garhofer. "And Patty Granillo (a senior defender) was a big part of that. Offensively, we had a few corner kick opportunities, but we just couldn't score."

"GeriAnn Klaffke had a tremendous game for us."

Klaffke — a junior goalkeeper who has been substituting for Kirstin Lent (concussion) for the last two weeks, recorded the shutout in goal for Seaside, which plays at Valley Catholic next Tuesday.

Astoria has a week off before playing at Tillamook Tuesday.

## SCOREBOARD

PREP SCHEDULE		Boys Soccer — Gladstone at Seaside, 6:30 p.m.
<b>TODAY</b>		<b>FRIDAY</b>
Volleyball — Banks at Astoria, 7 p.m.; Tillamook at Seaside, 7 p.m.	<b>THURSDAY</b>	Football — Tillamook at Seaside, 7 p.m.; Portland Christian at Warrenton, 7 p.m.; Neah-Kah-Nie at Knappa, 7 p.m.; Ilwaco at Willapa Valley, 7 p.m.
Football — Banks at Astoria, 7 p.m.; Perrydale JV at Jewell, 7 p.m.	Volleyball — Knappa at Nestucca, 6 p.m.	

## Oregon Ducks look for answers in bye week

By ANNE M. PETERSON  
 AP Sports Writer

**EUGENE** — This much is clear: Oregon's slide this season can no longer be looked at as a mere stumble.

With a four-game losing streak, the Ducks are in a hole that has put an 11-year run in the postseason in distinct jeopardy. The Ducks are 2-4 overall and sit at the bottom of the Pac-12 North.

Some fans are calling for head coach Mark Helfrich to be fired. Others are questioning the wisdom of new assistant Brady Hoke's defensive changes, and even the use of graduate transfers at quarterback for the past two seasons rather than fostering long-term player development.

Whatever the reason, Oregon's slide is a reminder of how hard it is to get good. And stay good.

When Helfrich took

the job at the start of 2013, he had the daunting job of replacing coach Chip Kelly, who orchestrated Oregon's hyperdrive spread-option offense and led the Ducks to their first national championship game.

Then he had the daunting task of replacing Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Marcus Mariota. Oregon lured a pair of graduate transfers, first Vernon Adams and then this year Dakota Prukop. Adams struggled with injury his lone season with the Ducks, and Prukop lost the starting job after five starts this season to freshman Justin Herbert.

Helfrich led the Ducks to the first College Football Playoff championship game just two seasons ago. But the cracks started showing last year when the Ducks went 9-4, their first season with fewer than 10 wins since 2007.

## Cubs heading to second NLCS, ready for more

By JANIE MCCAULEY  
 AP Baseball Writer

**SAN FRANCISCO** — Donning fresh postseason victory gear, the Chicago Cubs gathered on the mound and posed for a group photo. They jumped up and down, saluted the fans cheering "Cub-bies!" behind the visiting dugout and then took the party inside.

Step one in their October quest? Check.

Yet every one of manager Joe Maddon's men recognizes the task ahead. The club with baseball's best regular-season record at 103-58 is being counted on to end a 108-year championship drought and all the pent-up frustration in the Windy City.

Chicago is headed back to the NL Championship Series for a second straight year, eager to erase the memory of a four-game sweep to the New York Mets a season ago. Once Matt Moore's stellar night was complete for San Francisco, the Cubs rallied with a four-run ninth in a 6-5 victory Tuesday that eliminated the Giants in Game 4 of their NL Division Series.

The same Giants who had won the World Series in every even year this decade — 2010, '12 and '14 — and had succeeded in 10 straight postseason games when facing elimination.

"This is a special group,"



AP Photo/Marcio Jose Sanchez

Chicago Cubs' Jason Heyward scores against the San Francisco Giants during the ninth inning of Game 4.

Maddon said. "It's pretty easy when you want to have kids act like kids. Listen, but you see them on the field, they play. We play hard. I think we play it right."

Blue-clad loyalists stuck around the ballpark long after the final out, cheering and singing for the team favored to win the World Series from the start. The fans waited about an hour before finally heading for the exits.

Now, the Cubs go home to wait out Thursday's Game 5 of the Dodgers-Nationals series and have a couple of days to rest their legs before Saturday's NLCS opener.

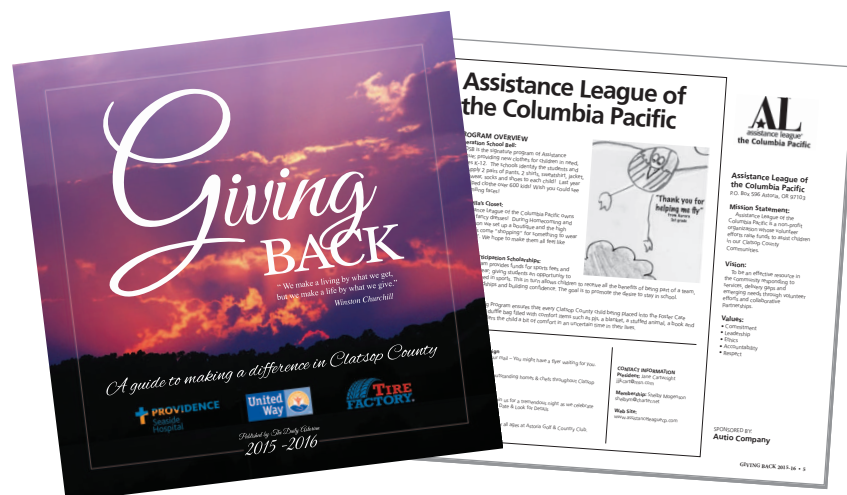
Maddon will likely hand the ball to veteran left-hander Jon Lester in Game 1 at Wrigley Field because he wasn't

needed in a potential Game 5. Chicago hasn't been to the World Series since 1945, the year Billy Goat Tavern owner Billy Sianis supposedly placed his hex on North Siders.

No pressure, certainly not with this group that declines to feed the superstition chatter. No goat fear here, not with a roster packing the talent and the pluck to navigate the nerviest late-game situation.

"Nobody really cares in there about a curse or a goat or anything else," Lester said. "If we make a mistake, we're not going to blame it on a curse or anything else like that. We're going to blame it on ourselves and be accountable for it and move on to the next play or the next moment."

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