

# 'WELCOME TO BASKETBALL TOWN, USA'

## BOYS ROSTER

#	Player	Pos.	Grade	Hgt.
0	Chase Januik	G	10	5-10
2	Payton Westerholm	G	10	6-0
3	Jackson Januik*	G	12	5-9
4	Ryan Hague	G	9	6-1
5	Attikin Babb*	P/F	12	6-4
10	Rafi Sibony	G	11	5-7
12	Colton Carter	P	11	6-2
13	Duncan Thompson	F	10	6-0
14	Hunter Thompson*	G	12	5-9
15	Otto Hoekstre	P/G	12	6-1
22	Astor Landwehr	W	11	5-10
33	Beau Johnson	W	9	6-0
34	Dylan Meyer	P	10	6-1

\*Captain

## 24-1 (9-1)

### SCHEDULE

W, 71-55	12/2/16	vs. Gladstone
W, 83-65	12/6/16	@ Yamhill-Carlton
Canceled	12/10/16	@ Corbett

#### SEASIDE HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT

W, 97-40	12/15/16	vs. Elma (WA)
W, 70-58	12/16/16	vs. Madras
W, 87-54	12/17/16	vs. Newport

W, 82-62	12/20/16	@ North Bend
W, 56-46	12/21/16	@ Marshfield
W, 93-63	12/28/16	vs. St. Helens
Canceled	1/7/17	@ Newport
Canceled	1/10/17	vs. Cascade
W, 83-67	1/12/17	vs. Newport
W, 78-54	1/13/17	@ Knappa
Canceled	1/13/17	@ North Marion
W, 89-52	1/19/17	@ Scappoose
W, 73-54	1/21/17	vs. Astoria
W, 65-42	1/24/17	vs. Valley Catholic
W, 74-53	1/27/17	@ Tillamook
W, 73-63	1/31/17	vs. Banks
W, 68-46	2/3/17	vs. Scappoose
W, 73-53	2/8/17	@ Astoria
L, 50-68	2/10/17	@ Valley Catholic
W, 84-53	2/14/17	vs. Tillamook
W, 70-68	2/16/17	@ Banks

#### LEAGUE PLAYOFF NEUTRAL SITE

W, 71-59	2/21/17	vs. Valley Catholic
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#### OSAA 4A STATE PLAYOFF

W, 68-49	3/3/17	vs. Cascade
W, 46-43	3/9/17	vs. Gladstone
W, 67-55	3/10/17	vs. North Bend
W, 71-63	3/11/17	vs. Valley Catholic

## AWARDS

### COWAPA ALL-LEAGUE

**Player of the Year:** Jackson Januik  
**Coaches of the Year:** Bill Westerholm, Seaside; Joel Sobotka, Valley Catholic

### FIRST TEAM

- Jackson Januik (senior)
- Attikin Babb (senior)
- Chase Januik (sophomore)
- Hunter Thompson (senior)

### HONORABLE MENTION

- Payton Westerholm (sophomore)

### ALL-STATE TOURNAMENT TEAM

#### FIRST TEAM

- Jackson Januik (senior)

#### SECOND TEAM

- Attikin Babb (senior)
- Chase Januik (sophomore)



Seaside fans cheer as the Seagulls face off against the Valley Catholic Valiants in the state championship game on March 11, at Forest Grove High School. The boys won 71-63 to claim the OSAA 4A boys basketball state tournament title. Meanwhile the girls took home third place in their respective tournament.



Jackson Januik hugs his Seagulls teammates after defeating Valley Catholic in the 4A state championship on March 11 in Forest Grove.



Payton Westerholm goes up for a rebound against Valley Catholic.



Chase Januik goes up for a layup in the 4A State Championship game.

# BOYS RULE THE COURT, GIRLS MAKE THEIR MARK

Story by GARY HENLEY  
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*The Daily Astorian*

Among other things, Seaside is known for beach volleyball, the Hood-to-Coast, and as a spring break destination. Now, it's "Welcome to Basketball Town, USA." The hoops teams at Seaside High School certainly made it a memorable winter, as the Gulls (both boys and girls) had their best seasons. Ever.

The Lady Gulls beat Marshfield 53-40 the afternoon of March 11, to finish third in the 4A state tournament in Forest Grove. Later that night, the Seaside boys topped Cowapa League rival Valley Catholic, 71-63, to win their first-ever state championship.

The two teams had a combined record of 44 wins, six losses, and did not lose a single game at home (23-0).

Under head coach (and Seaside High alum) Bill Westerholm, in his 19th year with the Gulls, Seaside was ranked No. 1 for most of the season, and lost just once, Feb. 10 at Valley Catholic.

The Gulls got even with the Valiants and then some, defeating Valley Catholic in a league playoff tie-breaker, then again in the state championship game.

The Seaside girls, coached by Mike Hawes, highlighted their season with an 11-game win streak after losing a nonleague game at Marshfield Dec. 21.

Seaside tied with Banks for the Cowapa League co-championship, then won three straight playoff games before a loss in the Final Four to eventual state champion Sutherlin.

The Gulls avenged their loss to Marshfield with a 53-40 win over the Pirates in the third-place game.

## CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

The Astoria Fishermen dominated the Oregon prep basketball scene throughout the 1930s, winning four state titles from 1930-35, and two more in the '40s; Knappa had its mini-dynasty with two state championships in the late 1990s; and Warrenton won a State B title, in 1943.

And now, the boys (and girls) in the South County showed that they can "ball" a little bit, too. The Gulls have had great teams in the past, but "This is our first (state championship)," said Westerholm, who knows the history of Clatsop County basketball as well as anyone.

"There's been a lot of history. There's been some good basketball teams at Seaside," he said. "We've had some good teams the last five years. This run that we have right now started with that group in 2011 and 2012, with Potter, Chesnut, Pfund and Hawes ... a lot of those guys were here tonight."

"That group kind of started it, because when these seniors were sixth- or seventh-graders, and Payton's group was in the fourth or fifth grade, they were hanging all over those guys. They looked up to them."

"We used to have a shirt that we put together for camp when they were third- or fourth-graders," Westerholm said. "The camp shirt was 'Go Hard.' That's what these kids have done throughout their whole career. They go harder than any kids that we play. They go four quarters. Other kids come out of the game. Our kids do that for four straight quarters."

"And when they saw we get that third place, and go on a 22-game win streak ... this year's group wanted to be like that. Last year we made that run, and this year we made another spectacular run ... 24-1. That's a damn good run."



Seaside players and coaches smile for a photo after winning the OSAA 4A boys basketball state championship game on March 11 in Forest Grove.



The Seaside Lady Gulls team poses for a photos after claiming the third place trophy in the 4A girls state tournament on March 11 in Forest Grove.

## GIRLS ROSTER

#	Player	Pos.	Grade
5	Jetta Ideue	G	11
10	Anesha Smart	P	11
11	Corrie Falleur	G	11
12	Emy Kiser	G	10
14	Bryre Babbitt	G	11
20	Sydney Villegas*	W	12
21	Annaka Garhofer	G	10
24	Anna Huddleston	G	10
25	Maddi Utti*	G	12
32	Lucy Bodner	P	12
40	Trinity Turner	P	10
50	Gretchen Hoekstre	P	10

\*Captain

## 20-5 (9-1)

### SCHEDULE

L, 31-32	12/2/16	@ Gladstone
W, 52-25	12/6/16	vs. Yamhill-Carlton
Canceled	12/12/16	vs. Corbett

#### SEASIDE HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT

W, 70-48	12/15/16	vs. Elma
W, 50-30	12/16/16	vs. Cottage Grove
W, 51-32	12/17/16	vs. South Whidbey

W, 63-41	12/20/16	@ North Bend
L, 51-56	12/21/16	@ Marshfield
W, 82-46	12/28/16	@ St. Helens
Canceled	1/5/17	vs. Newport
W, 37-31	1/6/17	vs. Newport
Canceled	1/10/17	vs. Cascade
Canceled	1/13/17	@ North Marion
W, 59-40	1/19/17	@ Scappoose
W, 60-42	1/21/17	vs. Astoria
W, 56-47	1/24/17	vs. Valley Catholic
W, 62-47	1/27/17	@ Tillamook
W, 62-58	1/31/17	vs. Banks
W, 63-31	2/3/17	vs. Scappoose
W, 63-35	2/8/17	@ Astoria
W, 47-45	2/10/17	@ Valley Catholic
W, 63-37	2/14/17	vs. Tillamook
L, 30-39	2/16/17	@ Banks

#### LEAGUE PLAYOFF NEUTRAL SITE

L, 46-60	2/21/17	vs. Banks
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#### OSAA 4A STATE PLAY-IN

W, 57-33	2/25/17	vs. Junction City
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#### OSAA 4A STATE PLAYOFF

W, 38-31	3/4/17	@ Molalla
W, 47-42	3/9/17	@ Cascade
L, 44-57	3/10/17	@ Sutherlin
W, 53-40	3/11/17	@ Marshfield

## AWARDS

### COWAPA ALL-LEAGUE

**Player of the Year:** Maddi Utti  
**Defensive Player of the Year:** Maddi Utti  
**Coaches of the Year:** Brandon Begley, Banks; Mike Hawes, Seaside

### FIRST TEAM

- Maddi Utti (senior)
- Bryre Babbitt (junior)
- Sydney Villegas (senior)

### HONORABLE MENTION

- Jetta Ideue (junior)

### ALL-STATE TOURNAMENT TEAMS

#### FIRST TEAM

- Maddi Utti (senior)

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