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## Januik, Westerholm earn highest awards

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It was a perfect ending to a great season last week for the Seaside basketball teams.

The state champion Seaside boys swept the individual honors with the announcement of the Class 4A all-state squad, as Bill Westerholm earned state Coach of the Year honors, while senior Jackson Januik picked up the 4A state Player of the Year award for the second year in a row.

Senior Hunter Thompson was named honorable mention.

For the Seaside girls, senior Maddi Utti was named first-team all-

state, and was in the running for state Player of the Year, ultimately won by Sutherlin's Taylor Stricklin.

"We had our banquet last week, coach (Gene) Quilhaugh came down and spoke, and we gave out all the awards," Westerholm said. "It was a real nice deal. Our season-ending banquet usually doesn't last that long. We just hand out the awards and that's it, but we had a lot of fun this time."

As it should be.

The Gulls won their first ever state championship March 11, when they defeated Valley Catholic 71-63 at Forest Grove High School.

Januik scored a game-high 29 points, with six assists and six rebounds, playing the entire

32 minutes.

He will technically have one more game as a high school player, as Januik, Thompson and Attikin Babb will all take part in the Oregon Athletic Coaches Association all-star series, June 16 and 17 in Eugene and Wilsonville, respectively.

After that, Januik's next stop will be George Fox University, where he will play next season.

Januik had narrowed his choice of colleges to George Fox, Whitworth and Eastern Oregon. In the end, he wanted to be a Bruin.

"George Fox just seemed to work out best," Westerholm said. "It's a good opportunity, a good fit, and he will be able to contribute right away.

They really wanted him. The coach (Maco "Shark" Hamilton) just finished his fourth year there, and hopefully Jackson will help him get to where he wants the program to go."

Westerholm was hoping a few big colleges had taken notice of Januik.

"Part of it is playing 4A, and also being 5-8," he said. "They just don't see the competitive drive that he has, or the work ethic. I'm not sure you're going to find a kid who works harder than Jackson. I'd like to see how he would do against some 6-4 guys. Jackson could have 15 assists per game, because he's not a kid who has to score. He's unselfish and he's not in it for the glory. He just does whatever it takes to win."



Daily Astorian/File Photo  
**Seaside's Jackson Januik celebrates just seconds after the Gulls defeated Valley Catholic in the 4A state championship game in March. Januik is headed for George Fox University.**

## Knappa scores 35 runs in two games

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KNAPPA — Six games into the league season, and the Knappa softball team is already running away with the Northwest League.

Not only are the Lady Loggers undefeated in league play (6-0), they're averaging 16 runs per game in league, and winning by an average of 11.8 runs per contest.

Gaston and Vernonia are currently tied for second in league at 1-0, far behind Knappa.

Knappa's most recent victim was Nestucca, as the Lady Loggers pounded the Bobcats for the third time in four days, 14-0 and 21-3 in a doubleheader Friday at Knappa.

Katie Denny, Aiko Miller, Kaitlyn Truax and Madelynn Weaver all had big days for Knappa, which improved to 7-10 overall, while Nestucca falls to 0-8.

In Game 1, Weaver hit a pair of two-run home runs, Truax was 3-for-3 with three RBIs, and Denny was 2-for-3.

Truax had a solo homer in Game 2 and drove in five runs; Miller was 2-for-3; and Jaden Miethe went 2-for-5 with a double and five RBIs.

Weaver pitched four innings of Game 1, while Paris Vanderburg tossed three innings of Game 2, allowing three hits with five strikeouts.

The Loggers have scored 172 runs on the season, third-most at the 2A level.



Krissy Barendse-Goodman/For the Daily Astorian  
**Knappa starter Michal Goodman zeroes in on the strike zone in Friday's first game against Nestucca.**

## Loggers sweep Nestucca

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KNAPPA — The Knappa baseball team scored two hard-earned — and much-needed — wins over the Nestucca Bobcats Friday, 7-2 and 3-0, as the Loggers bounced back from a loss to the 'Cats earlier in the week.

No one has played the Loggers closer in league play than Nestucca over the last two years. Of Knappa's three league losses over their last 84 league games, two have come against the Bobcats.

"I have to tip my cap to Nestucca," said Knappa coach Jeff Miller. "They didn't have a lot of hits in any of the games we played this week, but their pitchers throw strikes and their defense makes plays. They made some great defensive plays this week."

The Loggers only had two hits in their loss at Nestucca Tuesday, but pounded out 11 hits in Game 1 Friday.

Reuben Cruz had the big blast, a two-run homer in the fifth that snapped a 2-2 tie after four innings.

Andrew Goozee, Mason Hoover, Eli Takalo and Colton Weirup all went 2-for-3 in Game 1, while Michal Goodman started on the mound, and was relieved by Hoover with the bases loaded and no outs in the fourth.

Hoover struck out the first two batters he faced to help get out of the inning.

"That's the third time this season Mason has come on in relief with the bases loaded and less than two outs," Miller said. "He came on and did a great job."

The Loggers helped their pitchers with three double plays, in the second, third and fifth innings.

Knappa tacked on three runs in the sixth, when the Bobcats committed two of their three errors.

Cole Strober took the complete-game loss for Nestucca.

Mitchell Richwine pitched another complete-game for the 'Cats in Game 2, but Knappa scored a run in the second and two in the third.

Dale Takalo had a single and

scored on a base hit by Hoover for the first run.

In the third, Jason Miller reached on an error, advancing all the way to third on an errant throw, then scored on a wild pitch; and later in the inning, Dale Takalo walked, stole two bases and scored on a wild pitch.

"Just good heads-up base running," coach Miller said.

Eli Takalo had two of Knappa's six hits, while Kaleb Miller and Dale Takalo combined on a three-hit shutout, with Miller picking up the win.

Nestucca center fielder Gabe Garcia robbed Cruz of a big hit, making a catch while heading into the fence in center on a full sprint, which Miller called "the greatest high school catch I've ever seen."

The Loggers (5-1) have a two-game lead in the Northwest League standings, over second-place Neah-Kah-Nie (3-3).

Knappa has a three-game series with Gaston (0-3) scheduled this week. Tuesday's game at Knappa will start after the softball game, due to a shortage of umpires.

## Tillamook softball tops Seaside in 10 innings

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SEASIDE — Tillamook won a marathon contest in Game 1, 3-2, then cruised to an 11-0 victory over Seaside in Game 2, in a Cowapa League softball doubleheader Friday at Broadway Field.

In one of the Cowapa's most exciting games of the league season, the Cheesemakers and Gulls were tied 2-2 after four innings, followed by five straight scoreless innings, before Tillamook scored a run in the top of the 10th.

Tillamook's Jennifer Tuatagaloa had a leadoff double, took third on a wild pitch, and scored on a double by Lillie Zuercher.

Tillamook pitcher Lili Vogel pitched both games for the Cheesemakers, picking up two victories despite striking out just two batters in 15 innings pitched.

Six different players had two hits apiece for Tillamook in Game 1, in which the Cheesemakers had

14 hits but stranded 11 base runners.

Jetta Ideue did all she could for the Gulls in the opener, going 3-for-4 at the plate and driving in both runs on a double in the third inning, scoring GeriAnn Klaffke and Mica Paranal.

Vogel allowed seven hits with just one strikeout and one walk.

Ideue threw 145 pitches and took the loss, giving up 14 hits with 11 strikeouts and three walks.

After throwing 97 pitches and picking up the win in Game 1, Vogel tossed a five-hit shutout in Game 2, with one strikeout and no walks.

Offensively, Tillamook had 18 hits and broke the game open with four runs in the fourth inning and three in the fifth.

Maddie Reeves and Devanie Donaldson both had three hits for the Cheesemakers, who had eight doubles in Game 2, two apiece for Reeves and Donaldson. Makinley Johnson added a home run.

## Hageman wins twice at Centennial Invitational

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GRESHAM — The North Coast had several athletes competing in the Centennial Invitational Saturday, and Astoria and Seaside athletes won a combined three events in the 53rd annual big school track meet in Gresham.

Leading the way was Astoria junior Darian Hageman, who won two of the jumping events. She soared 16 feet, 10 inches to take the long jump (ahead of athletes from Clackamas, Gresham, Centennial, Central Catholic and Skyview), and leaped 37-2 to take the triple jump, two feet farther than her nearest competitor, Peace Igonagwam of Reynolds, and four feet ahead of Mariah Liggins of Aloha.

Seaside's Lizzy Barnes was 14th overall with a personal best 30-7.

Seaside sophomore Gretchen Hoekstre unleashed a personal best

toss of 37 feet, 1 1/2 inches to win the shot put, finishing ahead of athletes from Klamath Union, Centennial, Barlow, Roosevelt, Aloha, and a host of athletes from 5A and 6A schools.

Hoekstre also placed 12th in the discus.

Former Astoria athlete Kaylee Mitchell — now a junior at Sprague High School — won the 800 meters in a personal best 2:16.39.

On the boys' side, Astoria junior Tim Barnett took fifth in the shot put (50-3) and sixth in the discus (146-6).

Seaside's Jackson Januik finished eighth in the 800 meters, in a season-best 1:58.25; teammate Bradley Rzewnicki was ninth in the 3,000 meters, with a personal best 8:53.76; and Seaside's 1,600-meter relay squad of Phoenix Johnson, Hunter Thompson, Januik and Juneau Meyer took seventh in 3:37.14.



Darian Hageman

## Eagles take two from Warriors

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WARRENTON — Catlin Gabel won a pair of one-hit shut-outs over Warrenton at Huddleston Field Friday, 7-0 and 12-0, in a Lewis & Clark League twin bill.

Matt Maynard struck out 13 with two walks in the opener, with the Warriors' lone hit a second inning single by Devin Jackson.

Jackson also threw well as Warrenton's starting pitcher, holding the Eagles scoreless through four innings, before Catlin scored four runs on four hits in the fifth inning.

"Devin pitched well," said Warrenton coach Lennie Wolfe. "And we defended well. We just didn't hit the ball, and Maynard threw well. He's a first-team all-stater and played like it."

Catlin finished Game 1 with nine hits off two Warrior pitchers, and added 11 hits over five innings in Game 2.

Maynard had two doubles at the plate, and teammate Ned Williamson added a double and a home run.

Nate Post struck out four batters and allowed just one hit to pick up the win for the Eagles. Derek Ham had a double in the second inning for the Warriors.

"We're disappointed to be 0-9, but we're still seeing improvement, given where we are," Wolfe said.

## SCOREBOARD

### PREP SCHEDULE

#### TODAY

**Baseball** — Astoria at Seaside, 5 p.m.; Ilwaco at Ocota, 4 p.m.

**Softball** — Valley Catholic at Astoria (2), 4 p.m.

**Boys Golf** — Seaside Invitational (Gearhart Golf), 10 a.m.

### BASEBALL

#### Game 1

**Catlin Gabel 7, Warrenton 0**  
**C. Gabel 000 043 0—7 9 0**  
**Warrenton 000 000 0—0 1 2**

Maynard and Bluffstone; Jackson, Little (6) and Morrow. W: Maynard. L: Jackson. 2B: CG, Post, Adler.

#### Game 2

**Catlin Gabel 12, Warrenton 0**  
**Catlin Gabel 231 51—12 11 0**  
**Warrenton 000 00—0 1 4**

Post and Bluffstone; Breitmeyer, Little (2), Kapua (6) and Morrow. W: Post. L: Breitmeyer. 2B: CG, Maynard 2, Williamson, Scott; War, Ham. HR: CG, Williamson.

#### Game 1

**Knappa 7, Nestucca 2**  
**Nestucca 001 100 0—2 5 3**  
**Knappa 001 123 x—7 11 2**

Strober and Hurliman; Goodman, Hoover (4) and K.Miller. W: Hoover. L: Strober. HR: Kna, Cruz.

#### Game 2

**Knappa 3, Nestucca 0**  
**Nestucca 000 000 0—0 3 1**  
**Knappa 012 000 x—3 6 1**

Richwine and Chatelain; K.Miller, D. Takalo (5) and Goozee. W: K.Miller. L: Richwine. 2B: Kna, J.Miller.

### SOFTBALL

#### Game 1

**Tillamook 3, Seaside 2**  
**Tillamook 001 100 0001—3 14 1**  
**Seaside 002 000 0000—2 7 1**

WP: Lili Vogel (1 K, 1 walk). LP: Jetta Ideue (11 K's, 3 walks). RBI: Til, Zuercher, Dentel; Sea, Ideue 2. 2B: Til, Tuatagaloa 2, Johnson, Zuercher; Sea, Ideue. 3B: Til, Reeves, Donaldson. LOB: Tillamook 11, Seaside 4.

#### Game 2

**Tillamook 11, Seaside 0**  
**Tillamook 020 432—11 18 1**  
**Seaside 000 000—0 5 0**

WP: Lili Vogel (1 K, 0 walks). LP: E Meyer (1 K, 1 walk). RBI: Til, Oldenkamp 2, Knutsen 2, Johnson, Tuatagaloa, Reeves, Donaldson, Dentel. 2B: Til, Reeves 2, Donaldson 2, Vogel, Tuatagaloa, Zuercher, Knutsen. HR: Til, Johnson, Donaldson. LOB: Tillamook 9, Seaside 5.