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The three graduating seniors (and their horses) of the local equestrian team, from left to right: Maggie McLean and Eleanor; Kaisa Israel and Bo; Kaitlyn Landwehr and Jake.

Ridin' at the State Fair

The Daily Astorian

Local 4H equestrian riders are gearing up for the State Fair this Friday through Sunday in Salem.

The local competitors, from Astoria and Knappa high schools, qualified in a number of different events, while the three graduating seniors recently won Medallion Class, which is the "Best of the Best."

The State Fair events begin Friday with competition in Dressage and English; followed by Saturday's Showmanship and Ground Training action; and competition Sunday in Trail, Western and Saddle Seat.

Local equestrian riders and their horses taking part:

Angelina Lindres (Astoria) and "Stella"

Qualified in Showmanship and Ground Training; three years in 4H; Qualified for State Fair: first year.

Olivia Rilatos (Knappa) and "Trinket"

Qualified in Showmanship, Saddle Seat, Trail and Western; five years in 4H; Qualified for State Fair: first year.

Haylee Skipper (Knappa) and "Jigger"

Qualified in Showmanship, English, Trail and Western; seven years in 4H; Qualified for State Fair: two years.

Graduating Seniors:

Kaisa Israel (Astoria) and "Bo"

Qualified in Showmanship, English, Saddle Seat and Western; nine years in 4H; Qualified for State Fair: five years.

Favorite 4H memory: "All the water fights and slip 'n' slides over the years."

Kaitlyn Landwehr (Knappa) and "Jake"

Qualified in Showmanship, English, Dressage, Trail and Western; nine Years in 4H; Qualified for State Fair: five years.

Favorite Memory: "Making it into the Medallion Class at State Fair in 2013."

Maggie McClean (Astoria) and "Eleanor"

Qualified in Showmanship, Trail and Western; five years in 4H; Qualified for State Fair: two years.

Favorite Memory: "Winning my medallion after putting in countless hours and overcoming all of the struggles we faced working towards our goal."

More uncertainty on Seattle O-line

Seahawks traded for lineman Tobin

By **TIM BOOTH**
 Associated Press

It wouldn't be the preseason without uncertainty about how the Seattle Seahawks offensive line will look come Week 1.

In what has become a regular occurrence the past few seasons, the line has been thrown into flux again with the season-ending knee injury suffered by expected starting left tackle George Fant in last Friday's preseason game against Minnesota. Fant suffered a torn ACL and some MCL damage in his right knee and will undergo surgery soon.

The loss of Fant completely alters an offensive line that was on the verge of being mostly settled for the final two weeks of the preseason. Fant and Luke Joeckel were set on the left side with Justin Britt at center and Germain Ifedi the expected starter at right tackle. The only competition appeared to be at right guard between Oday Aboushi and Mark Glowinski, with Ethan Pocic and Rees Odhiambo serving as backups across the line.

"We're moving. We've got to keep rolling," coach Pete Carroll said Monday.

Carroll chose not to go into specifics, but indicated that Odhiambo will likely be the first option. The second-year lineman from Boise State stepped in for Fant after his injury and played briefly at left tackle in one game last season. Carroll said Pocic will get a look at the position and Seattle added another option after finishing practice Monday by trading for Matt Tobin from Philadelphia in exchange for a fifth-round pick in 2018. Seattle also received a seventh-round pick next year from the Eagles.

Seattle has used Odhiambo at a variety of guard and tackle spots but only as a backup to this point. He played left tackle exclusively during his college career at Boise State, but has been inconsistent in his limited opportunities with the Seahawks. Offensive line coach Tom Cable was critical of Odhiambo last week prior to the Fant injury.

"He has some moments where it looks great and some moments where we're like, 'OK we have work to do,'" Cable said.

Odhiambo said Seattle's practice of having its offensive linemen rotate through a variety of positions makes stepping in at left tackle feel familiar.

"You have a lot of guys that could go in there and feel comfortable doing the things," Odhiambo said. "At the same time, the way he coaches us is to know every single spot."

Carroll repeatedly mentioned Joeckel's experience as a left tackle, but reiterated that the goal is to keep Joeckel at left guard. The indication is that moving Joeckel to left tackle would be a fall back plan if Seattle can't find a more definitive answer.



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Seattle Mariners Yonder Alonso (10) avoids the tag of Atlanta Braves catcher Kurt Suzuki (24) at home to score in the fourth inning.

Albers picks up 2nd win, Mariners hold off Braves

By **PAUL NEWBERRY**
 Associated Press

ATLANTA — Andrew Albers is making up for lost time.

After going 1,463 days between big league victories, he now has two wins in less than a week.

"I try not to count that high," Albers quipped after working into the sixth inning to lead the Seattle Mariners past the Atlanta Braves 6-5 on Monday night. "I knew it had been a while."

The 31-year-old left-hander sounded more excited about the first hit and RBI of his career — in his first big league at-bat, a bouncer off the pitching hand of Atlanta's Mike Foltynewicz that wound up being an infield hit.

After admiring the ball in his locker, Albers (2-0) quickly pointed out he also has two sacrifice bunts, leaving him with a career average of 1.000.

"I better sit on that one as long as I can," he said. "It's only gonna go down from there."

Albers beat his former organization, having spent most of the season at the Braves' Triple-A club. He went 12-3 but never got a call to the big leagues.

Instead, Albers was dealt to the Mariners for cash on Aug. 11. He was called up by Seattle to make a start four days later, working six strong innings in a 3-1 win over Baltimore.

This time, he surrendered six hits and three earned runs in five-plus innings, helping to bolster Seattle's injury riddled rotation. "He's been huge for us," catcher Mike Zunino said. "We've used a ton of guys this year."

Zunino was part of a disputed play at the plate that help preserve the win for Seattle, which came into the night just 1 1/2 games out of an AL wild-card spot.

With the Braves trailing 6-2 in the sixth, a catcher's interference call sparked a three-run rally. Ozzie Albies hit a two-run triple



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Seattle Mariners starting pitcher Andrew Albers (63) delivers in the first inning.

over the head of center fielder Leonys Martin and scored on Dansby Swanson's sacrifice fly. Pinch hitter Lane Adams reached on an infield single, stole second and raced for home when an infield dribbler was bobbled by second baseman Robinson Cano.

Cano retrieved the ball and threw home to get Adams. The Braves challenged the call, and it looked as though Adams may have gotten a toe on the plate a split-second before he was tagged. But the replays, from several different angles, weren't definitive enough to overturn the call.

"That was a great job by Robby not to give up on the play," Zunino said. "That little bobble and recovery may have saved us

the game."

Edwin Diaz pitched the ninth for his 28th save. He surrendered a leadoff single to Ender Inciarte, but the Atlanta runner was thrown out attempting to steal second with slugger Freddie Freeman at the plate.

Freeman grounded out to end the game. Foltynewicz (10-9) had another rough out for the Braves. He gave up nine hits and all six Seattle runs in 5 2/3 innings, losing for the fourth time in his last five starts.

"A little bit of tough luck early on in the game, and after that I sort of fell behind some people," he said. "It was a tough whole month. I need to regroup and focus a little more and get back out there."