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SCOREBOARD

PREP SPORTS SCHEDULE

TODAY

Girls basketball — Warrenton at Portland Adventist, 6 p.m.

Boys basketball — North Bend at Astoria, 7:30 p.m.; Warrenton at Portland Adventist, 7:45 p.m.; North Beach at Ilwaco, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

Girls basketball — Astoria at Gladstone, 7 p.m.; North Bend at Seaside, 4 p.m.; North Beach at Ilwaco, 7 p.m.; Naselle at Mary M. Knight, 5:45 p.m.

Boys basketball — Gladstone at Astoria, 7 p.m.; North Bend at Seaside, 2 p.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Knappa 49, W. Mennonite 47
Western M. 4 14 10 19—47
Knappa 5 12 17 15—49
WM (47): Payton Richardson 15, Williams 13, K.Hull 8, M.Hull 6, Nicolli 2, Halgren 2, Roth 1.
KNA (49): Dale Takalo 19, Weirup 8, E. Takalo 8, Miller 6, Engblom 6, Ramvick 2, Phillip, Eltagonde.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

W. Mennonite 65, Knappa 40
Western M. 18 20 15 12—65
Knappa 6 3 17 14—40
WM (65): Peyton Hopper 25, Hess 20, M.Hopper 12, Choi 5, Harris 2, Gutierrez 2.
KNA (40): Paris Vanderburg 11, Marchello 8, Carlson 6, Weaver 5, Ramvick 4, Tischer 2, Nicholson 2, Inman 1, Hendrickson, Strain.

SEASIDE HOLIDAY CLASSIC

Boys

Newport 70, Seaside 59
Newport 17 16 15 22—70
Seaside 7 19 15 18—59
NEW (70): Justin Plechaty 24, Blaser 15, Tapia 12, Fisher 8, Ponciano 4, Martinson 4, Beaudry 3, Sain.
SEA (59): Payton Westerholm 18, Januik 16, Hague 9, Thompson 6, Br. Johnson 6, Carter 4, Landwehr.

Astoria 56, Madras 55
Astoria 21 11 8 16—56
Madras 24 5 17 9—55
AST (56): Ian Hunt 25, K.Johnson 12, Stenblom 9, Brockman 4, P.Johnson 4, Miller 2, Olson.
MAD (55): Chad Thurby 8, Tyler Lockey 8, Kahne Herkshan 8, Dapri Miller 8, Bandoni 7, Patt 6, Smith 4, Reese 3, Bagley 3.

Astoria 35, Sisters 31
Astoria 9 11 6 9—35
Sisters 13 8 4 6—31
AST (35): Karsten Johnson 13, Long 6, Marincovich 5, Olson 4, Hunt 4, Brockman 2, Stenblom 1.
SIS (31): Ty Horner 20, Rush 4, Richard 3, Engen 3, Anderson 1.

Seaside 56, Cottage Grove 46
Cottage Grove 11 5 13 17—46
Seaside 12 13 14 17—56
CG (46): Jesse Ellingworth 10, Jordan Hagedwood 10, Grover 9, Vallejo-Giffen 7, Julien 5, Alonzo 3.
SEA (56): Chase Januik 16, Westerholm 15, Hague 11, Carter 6, Thompson 5, Br.Johnson 3, Be.Johnson, Sibony.

Girls

Elma 38, Astoria 29
Astoria 10 9 5 5—29
Elma 4 9 17 8—38
AST (29): Sam Hemsley 11, Hankwitz 9, Fausett 4, Rogers 2, Norris 2, Helmersen 1, O'Brien, Jackson, Cummings, Burnett, Feldman.
ELM (38): Jaelyn Sackrider 10, Kali Rambo 10, Johnston 7, Mikel 4, Bieker 4, Johnson 3.

Newport 48, Seaside 28
Newport 8 13 14 13—48
Seaside 11 5 7 5—28
NEW (48): Madison Hargett 21, Wagner 13, Hunter 6, Mitchell 5, G.Hargett 1, Rundell 1.
SEA (28): Jetta Ideue 9, Garhofer 8, Hoekstre 3, Angulo-Joli 2, Babbitt 2, Smart 2, Davis 2, Goin, Zagata.

Astoria 56, Newport 42
Astoria 9 15 16 16—56
Newport 3 4 14 21—42
AST (56): Sam Hemsley 16, Hankwitz 10, Rogers 9, Jackson 6, Helmersen 5, Norris 4, Cummings 2, O'Brien 2, Fausett 2, Burn ett, Nash, Feldman.
NEW (42): Megan Wagner 19, Madi Hargett 13, Tromlitz 4, Mitchell 4, Cutler 1, Paranto 1.

Elma 54, Seaside 30
Elma 10 18 15 11—54
Seaside 5 7 9 9—30
ELM (54): Quin Mikel 12, Johnson 10, Johnston 10, Sackrider 6, Bol 5, Bieker 4, Olson 4, Burgher 3, Rambo.
SEA (30): Bryre Babbitt 10, Annaka Garhofer 10, Smart 3, Zagata 2, Ideue 2, Davis 2, Hoekstre 1, Angulo-Joli, Goin.

All-Tournament Teams

Girls

MVP: Kayli Johnson, Elma
Annaka Garhofer, Seaside
Brooklyn Hankwitz, Astoria
Madi Hargett, Newport
Sam Hemsley, Astoria
Jetta Ideue, Seaside
Molly Johnston, Elma
Reilly Kelty, Cottage Grove
Jaelyn Sackrider, Elma
Megan Wagner, Newport

Boys

MVP: Kye Blaser, Newport
Jesse Ellingworth, Cottage Grove
Ty Horner, Sisters
Chase Januik, Seaside
Karsten, Johnson, Astoria
Byron Patt, Madras
Justin Plechaty, Newport
Bryan Tapia, Newport
Payton Westerholm, Seaside
Sam Winter, Montesano



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Knappa's Timber Engblom splits his way through a pair of Western Mennonite defenders.

Knappa Loggers chop down No. 1 Western Mennonite

By GARY HENLEY

The Daily Astorian

KNAPPA — The Knappa Loggers made their case for a No. 1 ranking Saturday afternoon.

And there's no better way to make it than beating the No. 1-ranked team, which the Loggers did on their home floor, scoring a 49-47 win over top-ranked Western Mennonite.

A late basket by Knappa's Eli Takalo held up, the Loggers made a big defensive stop, and Chris Spencer's team climbed to No. 2 in the latest rankings.

"It was a great game, between two good teams in a playoff atmosphere," Spencer said.

The first quarter ended with Knappa leading, 5-4. "We were sort of feeling each other out, maybe some jitters," Spencer said. "The defenses were not giving up anything. There were no gimme shots."

The Loggers trailed 18-17 at halftime, but as they have all season, the Loggers owned the third quarter.

"We came out and played extremely well in the third quarter," and took a six-point lead, Spencer said. "Dale (Takalo) hit two huge 3-pointers, and Colton (Weirup) got another, and we just kept battling into the fourth quarter."

Western Mennonite rallied and took a brief lead in the fourth, before Knappa's Timber Engblom tied it with a free throw with 45 seconds left.

Knappa grabbed the lead with 25 seconds remaining, as Eli Takalo slipped past a defender, took it the basket and scored.

In a mad scramble by the Pioneers to get the potential game-winning shot, the Loggers tipped the final attempt, and "we played our best defensive possession of the season," Spencer said, preventing the visitors



The Knappa Loggers celebrate following their win over the No. 1-ranked Western Mennonite Pioneers.

from scoring.

Dale Takalo scored 14 of his 19 in the second half, and Kaleb Miller — coming off a concussion the previous week — added a couple of big baskets, and "we just played smart, patient basketball, working it around to get the right shot," Spencer said. "The kids executed everything perfectly — I couldn't have asked for a better effort. The last nine days, no one has played better 2A basketball than we have."

Newport ends Seaside home win streak

The Daily Astorian

SEASIDE — The unthinkable happened late Saturday night at Seaside — someone beat the Gulls. On their home floor.

Yes, the Newport Cubs came in ranked as the higher team, but it was still a shocker, as Newport snapped Seaside's 20-game home win streak with a 70-59 victory over the Gulls, who had not lost at home since January 2016.

It wasn't easy. The Cubs built a quick 17-5 lead and held an eight- to 12-point lead for much of the night, but the Cubs had to sweat it out as the Gulls staged a late-game rally.

Newport's Bryan Tapia drained a 3-pointer to give the Cubs a seemingly safe 64-47 lead with 3:10 left, but Seaside answered with a score by Chase Januik, a 3-pointer by Brayden Johnson, and another basket by Januik brought the Gulls to within 64-56.



Jeff Ter Har/For The Daily Astorian
Seaside's Ryan Hague takes the ball to the hoop in the Gulls' win over Cottage Grove.

The Cubs missed four straight free throws over the same span, and Johnson's second 3-pointer cut Newport's lead to 66-59 with a minute

remaining.

But that was Seaside's final score, and the Cubs added four made free throws in the final 29 seconds to secure the win.

Justin Plechaty scored 24 points to lead Newport, teammate and tournament Most Valuable Player Kye Blaser added 15, and Tapia made four 3-pointers for 12 points.

Payton Westerholm had 18 points and Januik added 16 for the Gulls.

Gulls 56, Lions 46

Seaside led from start to finish in Friday's late night 56-46 win over Cottage Grove in a semifinal game.

Chase Januik hit a 3-pointer in the opening seconds, and — despite a Cottage Grove rally later in the half — Seaside held on to the lead, which reached 45-29 early in the fourth quarter.

Januik finished with a game-high 16 points, Payton Westerholm had 15 and Ryan Hague scored 11 for the Gulls.

Newport tops Seaside girls for third place

The Daily Astorian

SEASIDE — Newport's Madison Hargett was too much to handle for the Seaside girls basketball team Saturday in the girls' third-place game of the Seaside Holiday Classic.

Hargett scored 21 points and teammate Megan Wagner added 13, as the two outscored the Lady Gulls all by themselves in a 48-28 win.

A 3-pointer by Seaside's Annaka Garhofer had given the Gulls a 16-13

lead midway through the second quarter, but Hargett answered with two fast break scores, and the Cubs outscored Seaside 35-15 the rest of the way.

Jetta Ideue scored nine points to lead the Gulls.

Elma 54, Seaside 30

Two teams that have met four times in the Seaside Holiday Classic since 2011 met again Friday night, as Elma and Seaside matched up in a semifinal contest.

And after three losses to Seaside since 2012, Elma finally got the best of the Gulls, 54-30.

The Eagles — who lost last year's game, 70-48 — overcame an early deficit to build a 21-9 lead midway through the second quarter.

Elma's lead reached 28-12 by halftime, and 41-16 in the third period.

Quin Mikel led the Eagles with 12 points, while Bryre Babbitt and Annaka Garhofer scored 10 apiece for the Gulls.

Elma shoots past Astoria girls in title game

The Daily Astorian

SEASIDE — The Elma Eagles had 32 turnovers, missed 22 free throws, and made just two of their 22 field goal attempts in the first half.

Yet there they were after the game, celebrating a 38-29 win Saturday night over Astoria in the girls' championship game of the Seaside Holiday Classic.

The Lady Fishermen had their own struggles — 40 turnovers, 6-for-20 from the free throw line, 3-for-20 from the field in the second half — and Astoria managed just 10 points in the second half.

That allowed the Eagles to rally from a 22-13 deficit in the opening minute of the second half, to take a 31-24 lead to start the fourth quarter.

Astoria's Sam Hemsley led all scorers with 11 points, while Jaelyn Sackrider and Kali Rambo had 10 points apiece for the Eagles.

The two teams combined for 72 turnovers and 36 missed free throws.

The Fishermen were playing in their first Holiday Classic championship game in 10 years.

Astoria 56, Newport 42

After a first round bye, Astoria opened the tournament Friday with a 56-42 win over Newport.

Sam Hemsley scored 16 points and Brooklyn Hankwitz added 10 for Astoria, which led 24-7 at halftime.

The two teams shot a combined 66 free throws, with Astoria finishing 21-for-31, to Newport's 22-for-35.

Astoria boys end their losing skid

The Daily Astorian

SEASIDE — After losing five straight to open the season, the Astoria boys basketball team bounced back with two straight wins to close out the Seaside Holiday Classic.

Following a victory Friday over Sisters, the Fishermen won a nail-biter Saturday, a 56-55 win over Madras.

Karsten Johnson's 3-pointer with nine seconds left represented the winning points for the Fishermen, who were outscored 41-29 in the first and third quarters, but outscored the White Buffaloes 27-14 in the second and fourth quarters.

Ian Hunt poured in a career-high 25 points, and Johnson added 12 for 16th-ranked Astoria, which hosts North Bend on Monday and Gladstone on Tuesday.

Astoria 35, Sisters 31

Astoria scored its first win of the year in a Friday consolation game, as the Fishermen outlasted Sisters 35-31.

The Outlaws led 13-8 after one quarter, but Astoria outscored Sisters in every quarter after that. Karsten Johnson paced the Fishermen with 13 points.

Pioneer girls halt Knappa

The Daily Astorian

KNAPPA — Western Mennonite built a 38-9 halftime lead Saturday afternoon at Knappa, on its way to a 65-40 win over the Loggers in a nonleague girls basketball game.

Peyton Hopper scored 25 points and Annika Hess added 20 to lead the Pioneers, while Paris Vanderburg had 11 points for Knappa.

Ducks keep Leavitt

New Oregon coach Mario Cristobal bounced back from a disappointing loss in the Las Vegas Bowl by scoring a major victory with his staff on Sunday. Defensive coordinator Jim Leavitt will return to Oregon with a new contract that will average \$1.7 million per year through 2021.

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