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Seahawks need help in playoff chase after blowout

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RENTON, Wash. — Pete Carroll was notably somber after the most lopsided loss of his Seattle Seahawks tenure.

Seattle has generally thrived in important games with something at stake. In this case it was the NFC West lead and a much easier path toward a sixth straight playoff appearance. And it was coming two weeks after one of Seattle's more complete performances in recent seasons with a convincing 24-10 win over Philadelphia.

All of those factors made Sunday's 42-7 blowout loss to the Rams so shocking, and tough for the Seahawks to accept.

The Seahawks (8-6) still have fleeting playoff hopes, but have no room for error the rest of the way if they intend on finding their way to the postseason. Wins over Dallas and Arizona seem like absolutes, and the Seahawks will likely need help from others.

The loss felt like a tipping point for the finest era in Seahawks history. They are becoming less the brash, unapologetic bullies of the NFC West and more an older, expensive roster likely in need of some remodeling.

It's big picture stuff that the Seahawks will need to address in the offseason but was on everyone's mind in the aftermath of such a deflating loss to the new upstarts in the division.

"That wasn't anything like it's been since I got here," Seattle center Justin Britt said after the loss. "The Rams are a hell of a team this year and they have a lot of depth and really good players."

SCOREBOARD

PREP SPORTS SCHEDULE
TODAY

Girls basketball — Warrenton at Amity, 5:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Girls basketball — Marshfield at Seaside, 6 p.m.

Boys basketball — Marshfield at Seaside, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

Girls basketball — Ilwaco at Montesano, 5:30 p.m.

Boys basketball — Ilwaco at Montesano, 7 p.m.; Firm Foundation at Naselle, 3:30 p.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Gladstone 49, Astoria 21

Gladstone 10 18 6 15—49
Astoria 10 11 0 0—21

GLA (49): Lyric Warren 11, Ashpole 10, Lehrbach 8, Nielsen 6, Pulsipher 4, Burlingame 3, Broomfield 3, Simmons 2, Hill 2, Perez.

AST (21): Karsten Johnson 6, Ian Hunt 6, Olson 4, Stenblom 3, Long 2, Tice, Brockman, Ploghoft, Kee, Matlock, Marincovich, P.Johnson.

Seaside 71, North Bend 47

North Bend 12 9 11 15—47
Seaside 15 20 14 22—71

NB (47): Jake Simmons 17, Frank 14, Vader 4, B.Messner 4, K.Messner 3, Melton 2, Martin 2, Porter 1.

SEA (72): Payton Westerholm 18, Januik 15, Thompson 12, Sibony 10, Landwehr 9, Be.Johnson 5, Meyer 2, Br.Johnson, Ritterby, Boyd.

Ilwaco 56, North Beach 50

Ilwaco 19 10 15 10—56
North Beach 16 11 16 7—50

ILW (56): Reese Tynkila 24, Ramsey 11, Kaino 8, Glenn 6, Whiting 3, Kaech 2, Baze 2, Sheldon.

NB (50): Soddmish 22, Washington 10, Pope 10, Ruiz 5, Charles 2, Robles 1.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Astoria 54, Gladstone 27

Astoria 16 17 10 11—54
Gladstone 8 11 1 7—27

AST (54): McKailyn Rogers 16, Hankwitz 10, Hemsley 8, O'Brien 7, Helmersen 5, Cummings 4, Fausett 4, Norris.

GLA (27): Cameron Cronin 15, Alvarado 3, Tatom 3, Rowley 2, Pinner 2, Asad 2.

Seaside 41, North Bend 26

North Bend 6 10 8 2—26
Seaside 12 11 12 6—41

NB (26): Megan Proitt 7, Snelgrove 6, Edwards 4, Markel 4, Matthews 3, Lil-lebo 2.

SEA (41): Jetta Ideue 15, Garhofer 6, Babbitt 6, Davis 6, Hoekstre 4, Smart 2.

HIGH SCHOOL HOOPS ROUNDUP



Alex Miller drives toward the hoop for the Astoria Fishermen.

Photos by Colin Murphey/The Daily Astorian

Gladstone races past Astoria

The Daily Astorian

The Gladstone Gladiators brought their in-your-face defense and a quick, athletic offense Tuesday night to Astoria.

And combined with just "one of those nights" for the Fishermen, Gladstone turned a 28-21 halftime lead into a 49-21 victory, as Astoria went scoreless in the second half.

The Fishermen trailed 9-4 early, before baskets by Karsten Johnson and Ian Hunt pulled Astoria into a 10-10 tie after one quarter.

Gladstone soon took control, however, early in the second period, with back-to-back 3-pointers off the bench from Matthew Lehrbach.

The Gladiators also got hot from the field, hitting 12-of-22 shots in the first half, while the Fishermen struggled with turnovers and simply creating shots.

A 3-pointer by Astoria's Ryan Stenblom near the end of the second quarter were the final points of the night for Astoria, which was 0-for-12 from the field in the second half, with no free throw attempts and nine turnovers.

Lyric Warren had 11 points and Jude Ashpole added 10 for the Gladiators, while Johnson and Hunt had six points apiece for the Fishermen.

Junior Varsity: Gladstone 50, Astoria 46 (overtime).

Seaside defeats North Bend, 72-47

SEASIDE — The Seaside Gulls jumped right back into the win column Tuesday afternoon, with a 72-47 victory over North Bend in a nonleague boys basketball game at the Gulls' Nest.

Coming off a loss to Newport last Saturday in the championship game of the Holiday Classic, Seaside built a 12-5 lead early in Tuesday's contest and never looked back.

Astor Landwehr, Rafi Sibony and Beau Johnson all had 3-pointers for the Gulls in the first half, which ended in a 35-21 lead.

The Gulls were short-handed with Ryan Hague out of the lineup, but still finished with four players in double figures.

Payton Westerholm led the way with 18 points, followed by Chase Januik (15), Duncan Thompson (12) and Sibony (10).

"We did a better job sharing the ball, played better defense, and we had some different guys step up and produce," said Seaside coach Bill Westerholm. "And that's going to help us in the long run. Astor (Landwehr) went from not playing in the championship game (of the Holiday Classic) to scoring nine points. And Rafi played well — that was his first 3-pointer of the season."

Seaside hosts Marshfield Thursday.

Ilwaco holds off North Beach, 56-50

OCEAN SHORES, Wash. — Reese Tynkila scored 24 points and Tenyson Ramsey added 11, helping Ilwaco to a 56-50 win Monday at North Beach in a Pacific 2B League boys basketball game.

The Fishermen held a slim 44-43 lead heading into the fourth quarter, when they out-



Conner Long, center, goes up for a rebound for the Fishermen.

scored the Hyaks, 10-7. Ilwaco improves to 4-5 overall, while North Beach drops to 1-6.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Astoria pounds Gladstone, 54-27

GLADSTONE — The Astoria girls basketball team handed head coach Mike Jacobson a nice birthday present Tuesday night, with a 54-27 victory at Gladstone.

The No. 6-ranked Lady Fishermen built a 33-19 halftime lead, then outscored the Gladiators 10-1 in the third quarter.

McKailyn Rogers scored 16 points and teammate Brooklynn Hankwitz added 10 for Astoria, which improved to 5-2 overall.

Astoria has more than a week off before playing Clatskanie and Redmond in the Vince Dulcich Memorial Tournament, Dec. 27-30.

Sparked by Ideue, Seaside jets past North Bend

SEASIDE — In a nonleague girls game at Seaside, the Lady Gulls snapped a two-game losing skid with a 41-26 win Tuesday afternoon over North Bend.

The Bulldogs scored the first two points, but Seaside's Jetta Ideue poured in nine of her

team's first 14 points, for a 14-6 lead.

Baskets by Annaka Garhofer, Ruby Davis, Gretchen Hoekstre and Ideue pushed the Gulls' lead to 23-14.

A three-point play by Bryre Babbitt and another trey by Garhofer highlighted a 10-2 run to start the second half.

It's "nice to get a win," said Seaside coach Mike Hawes. "We're transitioning from a four-guard team to a two-post team, and trying to figure things out. Our young posts, Gretchen Hoekstre and Ruby Davis, did a great job on the boards, and even found some points for us."

Ideue "pushed the pace when she could and got to the bucket some. North Bend is a young team, but they played hard all night, to their credit. Marshfield (Thursday) will be tough, but we'll take tonight and dream of sugar plums."

Ideue finished with 15 points, with four rebounds, two assists and two steals. Davis had six points and nine boards, while Hoekstre pulled down 12 rebounds.

Ilwaco wins by 60 over North Beach

ILWACO, Wash. — Ilwaco led 48-5 at halftime, and held North Beach to just three points in the second half in a 68-8 win Tuesday night over the Hyaks.

Ilwaco's Makenzie Kaech scored 28 of her 30 points in the first half.