

# GETTING A KICK OUT OF THE BEAUTIFUL GAME

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It doesn't really matter whether you call it football or soccer. People around the world refer to it as "the beautiful game," and for the last few weeks, it has been front and center on the world stage in Russia. And while the World Cup may be playing out halfway around the world and getting ready to wrap up this weekend, high school athletes in Clatsop County are practicing for summer leagues.



Players for Seaside High School scramble for the ball during practice.



Players battle for control of the ball during a drill.



Coaches for the Seaside team meet with players before the start of practice.

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Teammates chase after the ball during an exercise to teach defensive tactics.



The team runs laps to warm up before practice.



Soccer players from Seaside High School run through a drill.



Members of the Seaside High School soccer team face off during practice.