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SPORTS



Elizabeth Whitsett takes a shot at the goal for the Fishermen.

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Astoria, Corbett battle ends in scoreless draw

The Daily Astorian

The Astoria girls soccer program has had plenty of bad starts (1-4 in 2016, 0-8 in 2015, 0-5 in 2014, etc.), but not a lot of good ones.

That’s why — despite a tie Tuesday night at CMH Field — the 2018 season is still shaping up to be their year.

Tuesday’s 0-0 tie with Corbett has the Lady Fishermen 2-0-1 overall, still one of the best-ever starts in the history of the Astoria program.

Astoria can make it official with wins in its next two nonleague games against Cottage Grove and Elmira, who are a combined 1-4.

Meanwhile, Tuesday’s game had “scoreless tie” written all over it.

With Corbett’s short, controlled passing game against Astoria’s speed, the Cardinals and Fishermen were evenly matched and locked in a standoff. And neither team’s defense gave an inch.

Astoria had a slight edge in shots on goal in the first half (4-to-1), but no serious threats, outside of a shot by Taileigh Cole midway through the half that was saved by Hannah Evans, Corbett’s freshman goalkeeper.

Corbett’s Layel Parker had a free kick attempt that was stopped by Astoria keeper Shelby Rasmussen, the only save she had to make in the first half.

Rasmussen had a little more work to do in the second half. She was able to save a long, rainbow shot by Corbett’s Mya Andyke, and stopped another attempt from Sarah McMichael with 15:50 remaining.

At the other end, Astoria had consecutive shot-on-goal attempts from Elle Espelien and Hayley Kelley, both stopped by Evans, while a shot by Cole from 10 yards out off a corner kick sailed wide right.

Kelley made a big stop on defense in the 73rd minute, when the Cards found themselves on a breakaway.

Astoria’s speed on the back line and in the midfield thwarted any plays set up by the Cardinals, as Nara Van De Grift, Andrea Harris and Maddie Sisley used their track abilities to shut down the Corbett passing game.

The Fishermen play Saturday (1:30 p.m.)



Maddie Sisley, center, gets tangled up with an opponent while chasing the ball.

at Cottage Grove, followed by a home contest next Tuesday vs. Elmira.

Fishermen matchup goes to Ilwaco, 6-0

ILWACO, Wash. — A Fishermen vs. Fishermen matchup went Ilwaco’s way Tuesday afternoon.

In the first-ever home game for the Ilwaco girls varsity soccer program, Ilwaco defeated Astoria’s junior varsity squad, 6-0.

Erica Glenn and Elle Personius scored two goals apiece for Ilwaco, which built a 4-0 half-time lead.

Sunny Kemmer and Melissa Merino-Ortiz added one goal apiece, while Ilwaco keeper Faith Richardson picked up the shutout victory in goal.



Hayley Kelly, left, avoids a collision while going after a loose ball for Astoria.

Seaside picks up two first-place votes

The Daily Astorian

Fresh off a win over No. 3-ranked Marist, the Seaside football team picked up two first-place votes in the latest 4A coaches poll, released Tuesday.

Seaside is now ranked third, behind Cottage Grove and Marshfield. Marist has dropped to No. 7.

Coaches 4A poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, followed by overall points:

1. Cottage Grove (7)	124
2. Marshfield (2)	112
3. Seaside (2)	96
4. Mazama (3)	89
5. Gladstone	86
6. Banks	55
7. Marist	49
8. Estacada	26
9. Cascade	23
10. Woodburn	20

Others receiving votes: Sweet Home 17, North Marion 15, Elmira 13, Newport 11.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

VOLLEYBALL

Astoria, Seaside both sweep Gladstone

GLADSTONE — The Astoria and Seaside volleyball teams both made a Tuesday trip to Gladstone, where the Gladiators hosted a non-league Clatsop County double-header against the Fishermen and Gulls.

And Gladstone was no match for the two Cowapa League powers, as Astoria won in three games (25-13, 25-9, 25-11), and Seaside also swept past the Gladiators (25-14, 25-9, 25-13).

For Astoria, Kes Sandstrom led the way with seven kills, with Emilli DeLong adding six kills.

Taja-Rae Tuimato led the Lady Fishermen with nine assists, followed by Julia Norris with six.

Kajsa Jackson had six blocks at the net, while Astoria served up 19 aces, led by Hailey O’Brien (seven) and Norris (six). The Fishermen host North Marion Thursday.

Tenth-ranked Seaside improved to 8-3 overall, and No. 15 Astoria is 3-2. Gladstone dropped to 0-5.

Jewell scores win at Falls City

FALLS CITY — In Casco League volleyball Tuesday, Jewell defeated Falls City in four games, 25-19, 25-18, 20-25, 25-7, snapping a two-match losing streak for the Blue Jays.

Jewell improves to 2-2 in league, 5-4 overall, and hosts C.S. Lewis on Thursday.

Nestucca sweeps Knappa

CLOVERDALE — Nestucca defeated Knappa in a Northwest League volleyball match Tuesday in Cloverdale, 25-20, 25-18, 25-17.

In other Northwest League action, Vernonia swept Neah-Kah-Nie (25-16, 25-10, 25-11), and Columbia Christian got past City Christian in four games (25-18, 24-26, 25-10, 25-15).

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SCOREBOARD

PREP SPORTS SCHEDULE	
THURSDAY	
Volleyball	— North Marion at Astoria, 6 p.m.; Corbett at Seaside, 7 p.m.; Clatskanie at Warrenton, 6 p.m.; Portland Christian at Knappa, 6:30 p.m.; C.S. Lewis at Jewell, 6 p.m.
Girls soccer	— Seaside at St. Helens, 4:30 p.m.
Boys soccer	— Oregon Episcopal at Seaside, 7:15 p.m.
FRIDAY	
Football	— Estacada at Astoria, 7 p.m.; Gladstone at Seaside, 7 p.m.; Taft at Knappa, 7 p.m.; Portland Christian at Warrenton, 7 p.m.; McKenzie at Jewell, 5 p.m.; Chief Leschi at Ilwaco, 7 p.m.

Padres get better of Diaz in 9th, beat Mariners 2-1

By TIM BOOTH
Associated Press

SEATTLE — The Mariners’ offensive woes have been the chief culprit for their fall from AL play-off contention. Those struggles showed up again Tuesday night, only furthering Seattle’s fade from the wild-card race.

Wil Myers lined an RBI double off major league saves leader Edwin Diaz with one out in the ninth inning, lifting the San Diego Padres to a 2-1 win and dropping the Mariners 8 1/2 games back in the race for the second AL wild card.

The Mariners only have 18 games left after losing to the Padres for the third time in the past month. It was the 11th time since July 1 the Mariners scored one run or fewer. Not surprisingly, they dropped to 1-10 in those games.

“Story of tonight, just our lack of offensive production. We haven’t done much at all swinging the bats against San Diego this year,” Seattle manager Scott Servais.

While Seattle’s hitters failed to come through with scoring chances, Myers got the better of the best closer in baseball this season. Myers lined an RBI double off Diaz to snap the 1-1 tie.



Seattle Mariners’ Kyle Seager kneels at the plate after he was tagged out at home by San Diego Padres catcher Francisco Mejia, left, on a fielders choice play.

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