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2K CLASSIC

Iowa and UConn upset ranked foes Oregon, Syracuse

By **DENIS P. GORMAN**
Associated Press

NEWYORK — Unranked teams made a statement at the 2K Classic.

Jordan Bohannon scored 16 points to lead Iowa to a 77-69 upset of No. 13 Oregon in the second semifinal of the 2K Classic on Thursday night.

Luka Garza added 12, and Ryan Kriener finished with 11.

The Hawkeyes (3-0) will play UConn in the championship game tomorrow, while Oregon (2-1) will meet No. 15 Syracuse in the consolation game. Connecticut upset Syracuse, 83-76, in the first game.

The Huskies passed the first major test of the Dan Hurley era with the win against their former Big East rival.

"They had a look the last couple days that they couldn't get here and play. They went out and performed at such a high level," Hurley said.

Iowa coach Fran McCaffery was watching the first game of the double-header at Madison Square Garden.

"I was impressed with how hard (UConn) played," he said. "I thought they shared the ball and I thought they really competed defensively."

He could have said the same about his team, as the

Hawkeyes held the Ducks to 37.1 percent shooting from the field (23-62) and 33.3 percent shooting from 3 (6-18).

"It was a disappointing effort," Oregon coach Dana Altman said. "Our ball movement was not good. Our transition, we looked over the top a few times and didn't finish, and really kind of quit running after that. Our ball movement was bad. We didn't penetrate to make shots for our teammates. And when you're playing poorly like that offensively, you have to do something defensively and we were bad there."

Oregon only forced eight turnovers while committing 14. Moreover, Iowa made 35.2 percent of its shots from the field (19-54), 35.7 percent from 3 (10-28) and knocked down 29-33 from the foul line.

"I know I'm disappointed in what I saw," Altman said. "We just didn't do a good job. We didn't compete, and I know they're disappointed in that."

Iowa led throughout. The Hawkeyes jumped out to an 8-0 lead in the first 2:36, and enjoyed a 39-28 advantage at halftime. The lead grew to 13, 52-39, on Kriener's dunk with 12:19 left in the second half.

Oregon closed with seven, 76-69, in the final 23.6 seconds, but that was as close as the Ducks would come.



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Watched by former Oregon quarterback Chris Miller, left, Astoria golf pro John Kawasoe tees off at an event two years ago.

Astoria's Kawasoe chosen as Oregon's golf pro of the year

The Daily Astorian

The Professional Golfers' Association (PGA) has released its list of 2018 winners, and the names include one local golfer.

John Kawasoe of the Astoria Golf & Country Club has been selected as the Golf Professional of the Year for the Oregon Chapter of the PGA.

The golf pro at Astoria since 2002, Kawasoe turned professional in 1991 after a collegiate career at Boise State.

He was an assistant pro at Angel Park Golf Club in Las Vegas, then moved to Springhill Country Club in Albany in 1994. He became the director of golf at Mallard Creek in Lebanon in 1999, before moving to Astoria.

In 2010, Kawasoe was the selected as

the Oregon PGA Teacher of the Year.

Winners of this year's awards were nominated by OPGA professionals and represent the very best of the Oregon Chapter's over 400 PGA professionals in Oregon and southwest Washington.

Kawasoe will now be in the running for the Pacific Northwest's annual PGA awards.

Norvell lifts No. 3 Gonzaga over Texas A&M, 94-71

By **NICHOLAS K. GERANIOS**
Associated Press

SPOKANE, Wash. — Gonzaga was flying up and down the court in the first half against Texas A&M, taking hurried shots, and coach Mark Few was not pleased.

At halftime he told his team to slow down, and the No. 3 Bulldogs responded by blowing out the Aggies 94-71 on Thursday night.

"We slowed a couple of guys down," Few said. "We got the ball in the right places and took the right shots."

Zach Norvell Jr. scored 22 points and Rui Hachimura added 18 for Gonzaga, which had broken the 100-point mark in its two previous games.

Brandon Clarke had 14 points and 11 rebounds for Gonzaga (3-0), which won its first three games for the eighth



AP Photo/Young Kwak

Gonzaga forward Brandon Clarke, left, dunks while defended by Texas A&M forward Christian Mekowulu during Thursday's game in Spokane, Wash.

consecutive season.

Five Zags finished in double figures.

"That's obviously the strength of our team," Few

said. "We've got good balance."

Gonzaga blocked 10 shots and had eight steals against the Aggies.

"We had to dig deeper than the score would indicate tonight," Few said. "There were a lot of high-level plays at the rim."

Savion Flagg scored 18 points and T.J. Starks 16 for Texas A&M (1-2). The Aggies went to the Sweet 16 last season, but had major losses to graduation and the NBA draft.

Coach Billy Kennedy was not immediately available after the game.

"Starks is a heck of a player," Few said.

The Aggies were plagued by shooting in the 30 percent range most of the game, although a late flurry of scoring allowed them to finish at 41.5 percent. Gonzaga shot 49 percent.

Wilson caps Seattle's rally past Green Bay Packers for 27-24 win

By **TIM BOOTH**
Associated Press

SEATTLE — After a shaky beginning, Russell Wilson got hot in the fourth quarter, Bobby Wagner and Seattle's defense stymied Aaron Rodgers and the Seahawks stayed in the middle of the NFC play-off race.

"We've been through so much throughout this season it was time to get over the hump," Wagner said. "We've

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been down, we've been up, we've lost close games, we've won close games. It was time."

Wilson threw for 225 yards and his 15-yard touchdown pass to Ed Dickson with 5:08 left was the difference in the Seahawks' 27-24 victory over

the Green Bay Packers on Thursday night.

In a key matchup in the battle for the two NFC wild-card spots, Seattle (5-5) snapped a two-game losing streak by overcoming an early 14-3 deficit. Wilson was inconsistent at times early, but was outstanding in the fourth quarter, capping the winning drive by recognizing a blitz and hitting Dickson quickly for his second TD pass of the night.

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PREP SPORTS SCHEDULE

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