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No. 19 Arizona State outlasts No. 10 Oregon State in 2 OTs

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CORVALLIS — The postgame celebration had to wait after Arizona State's first win over a Top-10 opponent in five tries this season.

The 19th-ranked Sun Devils hastily packed their bags after they outlasted No. 10 Oregon State 79-76 in double overtime on Sunday. The extra time on the court put them in danger of missing their flight, and they did their postgame interviews by phone on the team bus en route to the Portland airport.

Kianna Ibis had 28 points, 13 rebounds and three blocks for Arizona State, and Reili Richardson added 16 points, including nine in the overtime periods. Richardson made three of four free throws down the stretch to seal the upset for the Sun Devils (13-5, 4-3 Pac-12), who handed the Beavers their first Pac-12 loss.

"We just kept saying, 'We're not letting this one go,'" Arizona State coach Charli Turner Thorne said on the jubilant — and sweaty — team bus.

"Some of us had to get dressed on the bus. We didn't have time to shower," Ibis said.

Defense was the difference between Sunday's game and Arizona State's earlier losses — all by fewer than 10 points — to Oregon, Stanford, Baylor and Louisville. Ibis said the Sun Devils were able to limit the Beavers' penetration in the lane and transition opportunities.

"It feels great to finally win. We knew we could compete with everybody," Ibis said.

Mikayla Pivec had 19 points, nine rebounds and seven assists and Katie McWilliams added 12 points for the Beavers (15-3, 5-1).

Richardson made a layup to tie the game at 66 near the end of the first overtime.

"She's been clutch basically this whole season. She always steps up in big games," Ibis said.

Arizona State led 73-72 with a minute left in the second overtime when Richardson sank a scoop with 33.3 seconds left. Pivec and McWilliams both missed shots that would have tied it in the final 20 seconds.

SCOREBOARD

PREP SPORTS SCHEDULE

TODAY

Girls basketball — Warrenton at Blanchet Catholic, 11 a.m.; at Corban University; Vernonia at Knappa, 6:30 p.m.

Boys basketball — Vernonia at Knappa, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

Girls basketball — Tillamook at Astoria, 7:30 p.m.; Warrenton at Rainier, 7:30 p.m.; Jewell at Oregon School for the Deaf, 5:30 p.m.; North Beach at Ilwaco, 7 p.m.

Boys basketball — Tillamook at Astoria, 6 p.m.; Warrenton at Rainier, 6 p.m.; Jewell at Oregon School for the Deaf, 7 p.m.

Swimming — Valley Catholic at Astoria, 4 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Banks 51, Astoria 32
 AST (32): Brooklynn Hankwitz 8, Kelsey Fausett 8, O'Brien 6, Jackson 4, Norris 3, Mathews 2, Lyngstad, Cole, Helmersen, Long.

BAN (51): Aspen Slifka 24, Nelson 9, Hernandez 5, Streblow 4, Shook 3, Kind 3, Johnson 2, Toledo 1.

Astoria 6 8 12 6—32
 Banks 15 12 18 6—51

Valley Catholic 48, Seaside 28
 SEA (28): Morgan Blodgett 11, Taylor 8, Kiser 5, Turner 4, McFadden, Goin, Zagata, Doney, Garhofer.

Seaside 7 5 9 7—28
 V.Catholic 14 18 9 7—48

Warrenton 45, Willamina 27
 WAR (45): Claire Bussert 17, Ramsey 15, M.Heyen 8, Dejesus 2, Alvarez 2, Miethe 1, Kapua, Diego, Marchello.

Warrenton 10 13 12 10—45
 Willamina 5 11 8 3—27

Knappa 40, Gaston 31
 KNA (40): Aiko Miller 15, Weaver 13, Corcoran 4, Dietrichs 4, Tischer 2, Hellberg 2, Nicholson, Rilatos.

GST (31): Katelyn Johnson 10, Jordan 9, Gomez 7, Heisler 2, Gajdostik 2, Belle-Isle 1.

Knappa 9 10 10 11—40
 Gaston 10 6 7 8—31

BOYS BASKETBALL

Seaside 55, Valley Catholic 49
 SEA (55): Ryan Hague 15, Br.Johnson 12, Januik 11, Westerholm 10, Thompson 7, Be.Johnson, Meyer.

VC (49): Jack Tetzloff 14, Eberhart 12, Pruitt 12, Napoli 5, Boileau 4, Miller 2.

Seaside 15 13 14 13—55
 V.Catholic 14 5 23 7—49

Warrenton 57, Willamina 56
 WAR (57): Dalton Knight 26, Little 13, Morrow 10, Jackson 4, Maddox 2, Stephens 2, Kapua.

Warrenton 12 17 8 20—57
 Willamina 11 11 17 17—56

Ionescu, No. 5 Oregon women blast Arizona

Associated Press

EUGENE — It took Oregon's Sabrina Ionescu until the third quarter to make her first field goal against Arizona.

Not that it mattered, with Satou Sabally and the rest of the Ducks on the attack.

Ionescu posted her NCAA-record 16th career triple-double, and Sabally scored 18 of her 25 points in a dominant first quarter as No. 5 Oregon raced past Arizona 93-60 on Sunday for its 10th consecutive win.

The Ducks scored the game's first 20 points, and Sabally had 12 of them.

"That was a good win for us today," Oregon coach Kelly Graves said. "I thought we played really well. Obviously, the first quarter was almost as good as we can play."

Ionescu had 21 points, 12 rebounds and 12 assists for her sixth triple-double in a Pac-12 game. After missing her first six shots, she made six of her last nine, including three 3-pointers.

"I just knew I needed to keep being aggressive, keep fighting, keep rebounding and everything else would take care of itself," Ionescu said of her shooting. "I'm not too worried about it, but it was nice to see some of them go in."



AP Photo/Thomas Boyd
Oregon forward Ruthy Hebard shoots over Arizona forward Cate Reese.

Erin Boley hit five of Oregon's season-high 15 3-pointers and had 19 points for the Ducks (17-1, 6-0 Pac-12). Ruthy Hebard added 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Oregon led 31-4 after one quarter, with Sabally making four 3-pointers

and three layups. Ionescu had eight rebounds and six assists in the quarter, with five going to Sabally.

"She was phenomenal, and her and Sabrina had some great synergy in that first quarter," Graves said. "I think that's what makes us

tough, that on any given night, any given quarter, any given half, it can be another player that just goes off."

"We were playing fast with a lot of fast breaks and my team helped me, too, just running the floor," Sabally said. "It felt good."

HOOPS ROUNDUP

Warriors beat the buzzer in win at Willamina

Warrenton's Ayden Stephens scored on a layup as time expired, giving the Warriors a 57-56 win Friday at Willamina — the second time in two weeks that Warrenton has scored a last-second win over the Bulldogs.

"Our kids played some of the best offense I have seen at Warrenton in years," said Warrenton coach Nate McBride, whose team defeated Willamina 46-45 Jan. 4 on a last-second free throw.

"We spaced the floor, moved the ball well and knocked down some big shots," he said. "Dalton (Knight) had a huge game for us, Austin Little hit several big shots, and Jake Morrow got to the line 13 times (converting 10)."

Defensively, he said, "Ayden and Devin (Jackson) slowed down their big guys inside and kept us even on the boards."

The Bulldogs made a 3-pointer to take a 56-55 lead with 12.9 seconds left, and after the Warriors worked the ball upcourt, Warrenton had the ball following a timeout under its own basket with .7 seconds remaining.

"When our kids came to the timeout, not one guy looked defeated," McBride said. "They were ready for a play to win the game and they delivered."

On the inbounds play, Knight drew two defenders coming off a screen, and, McBride said, "Stephens slipped to the basket, where Morrow found him with a perfect pass for the win. Great finish."

Knight made six 3-pointers on his way to a game-high 26 points, Little had 13 and Morrow had 10 points, all from the free throw line.

Warrenton improves to 4-3 in league play, while Willamina falls to 1-5.

Warrenton girls cruise past Willamina

Claire Bussert scored 17 points and teammate Kenzie Ramsey tossed in 15, giving the Warrenton Warriors all they would need for an easy 45-27 win at Willamina in Coastal Range League girls basketball action Friday night.

Adriana Dejesus, Melia Kapua and the Warriors' defense did the rest, allowing a combined eight points in the first and fourth quarters, helping Warrenton improve to 14-5 overall.

The game served as a tuneup for the sixth-ranked Warriors, who play Monday at No. 2-ranked Blanchet Catholic (ranked No. 1 in the 3A coaches poll). Tipoff is 11 a.m. at Corban University.

Maria Heyen added eight points, and Dejesus finished with eight rebounds, five assists and five steals, while the Warriors had to rely on some bench support when they were whittled for 15 fouls in the first 10 minutes of the game.

Bussert and Ramsey are both closing in on school records for assists and 3-pointers, and should reach those numbers this week when Warrenton hits the road for games at Blanchet Catholic, Rainier, Taft and Clatskanie.

Braves sink Fishermen, 61-15

After a season-opening loss to Pendleton, the Banks boys basketball team has won 17 in a row, their latest a 61-15 victory over a short-handed Astoria team Friday night in a Cowapa League contest at Banks.

The Fishermen host Tillamook on Tuesday, the first of four straight home games for Astoria.



Debbie Morrow/For The Daily Astorian

Warrenton's Austin Little slides to the basket for a score in Friday's win at Willamina.

Early 21-0 run helps Banks beat Astoria girls

Friday night's game at Banks started with a 6-0 run for the Astoria girls basketball team.

But that's about where the highlights ended for the Lady Fishermen, who soon found themselves trailing the Braves 21-6 early in the second quarter of the Cowapa League game.

The 21-0 run was all the Braves needed on their way to a 51-32 win over Astoria, in the top 10 showdown at Banks. The loss was Astoria's first in six games, and first of 2019.

Astoria also found itself in early foul trouble, as the first 10 fouls of the game were all called on the Fishermen — including a technical foul on Astoria coach Mike Jacobson.

The rest of the night belonged to Braves' superstar Aspen Slifka, who spent much of the game scoring off steals or knocking down jump shots on her way to a game-high 24 points.

Brooklynn Hankwitz scored eight points for Astoria before fouling out, while teammate Kelsey Fausett also finished with eight points for the Lady Fish, who return to play home games this week with Tillamook (Tuesday) and Valley Catholic (Friday). Astoria's next four games are at home.

Seaside boys win title rematch vs. Valiants

The game of the night in 4A boys basketball took place in Beaverton, where Valley Catholic hosted Seaside in a rematch of the 2018 state championship game.

And if the Valiants were looking for revenge, they will have to wait another day.

Like they showed in March of last year, the Gulls still hold the upper hand on Valley Catholic, as Seaside posted a 55-49 win over the Valiants.

After two ties and six lead changes in the first quarter, the Gulls took control in the second period.

Brayden Johnson — who beat the buzzer with a 3-pointer to end the opening quarter —

drained another trey to start the second for an 18-14 Seaside lead.

Chase Januik and Johnson combined for 17 first half points, helping the Gulls grab a seemingly safe 28-19 halftime lead.

But the Valiants didn't go down easy.

Baskets by Daniel Pruitt, Trey Eberhart and Jack Tetzloff helped Valley Catholic open the third quarter on a 12-0 run, with 3-pointers from Eberhardt and Tetzloff leading to an eventual 36-31 advantage for the Valiants.

The Gulls re-settled and quickly erased the deficit, thanks to Seaside's big second-half star, Ryan Hague.

After a scoreless first half, Hague scored nine in the third quarter to help the Gulls pull even at the end of three quarters, 42-42.

Seaside finally decided to put the Valiants away in the fourth, going 7-for-10 at the free throw line to secure the win.

Hague led Seaside with 15 points (all in the second half). Johnson added 12, Januik 11 and Westerholm 10.

Cold night for Seaside girls in loss to Valiants

Valley Catholic built a 32-12 halftime lead, and a rough night from the field did not help the Seaside Gulls in their Cowapa League girls basketball game Friday night in Beaverton, where the Valiants posted a 48-28 win over the Gulls.

Seaside was 12-of-55 shooting (21 percent), which included a 3-for-25 effort from the 3-point line.

Morgan Blodgett led the Gulls with 11 points, while Lilli Taylor had eight points, 12 rebounds and three blocks.

Seaside has a bye Tuesday, and plays Friday at Tillamook.

Loggers cut down Gaston, 62-50

Four teams in Northwest League boys basketball are either 5-4 or 4-5 — fortunately for Knappa, the Loggers aren't one of them.

The Loggers improved to 7-2 in league Friday night, with a 62-50 win at Gaston.

After a back and forth first half, "our conditioning seemed to show through in the second half," said Knappa coach Paul Isom. "We were able to keep the pressure up and eventually wear them down."

Knappa had three players in double figures, led by Eli Takalo's 20 points. Timber Engblom added 16 and Ty Vanderburg scored 10. Devin Hoover and Joe Ramvick both had eight points, as the only other Loggers to score.

Knappa girls score win at Gaston

With a couple of players out of the lineup with injuries, the Knappa Lady Loggers had others pick up the slack Friday night, on their way to a 40-31 win at Gaston in a Northwest League girls basketball game.

Already without Vicki Ramvick and now missing Sophia Carlson and Katie Patterson, the Loggers had plenty of scoring support from Aiko Miller and Madelynn Weaver, who scored 15 points and 13 points, respectively, helping Knappa snap a three-game losing skid.

The Loggers improve to 3-6 in league play, 4-12 overall, while Gaston is still winless in league (0-9), 1-14 overall.

Knappa has home contests this week, Monday vs. Vernonia and Wednesday vs. Portland Christian.

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