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## Local wrestlers open season at Knappa

By **GARY HENLEY**  
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Knappa hosted a night of wrestling Wednesday in the Logger Dome, where local teams officially opened the 2019-20 high school season on the mats.

First-year Astoria coach Doug Walsh brought the Fishermen, while Warrenton also showed up with a number of wrestlers.

“We wrestled almost 70 matches,” said Warrenton coach Corey Conant. “We won a lot of them, but even better, at this point in the season, is that we were hungry for points and on the offense in the majority of them.”

He added, “It can be a shock when you wrestle your first high school match, but our new wrestlers battled and earned mat time, which is exactly what we asked them to do. Our experienced wrestlers also stuck to the game plan of being aggressive and on the attack, which really helped set the tone for our beginners.”

Local teams will also be in action this weekend, in Saturday invitational tournaments.

Astoria takes part in the Mark Morris Invitational in Washington, while Knappa will also be north of the border to take part in the Ocosta Invitational.

Warrenton travels to Estacada for the Ranger Classic.

“We have a long season, and this (Knappa) meet has always been a great place to show what he have taken from practice and what we need to keep addressing,” Conant said of the Warriors. “We will compete with 4A and 5A teams at the Ranger Classic in Estacada. They have a good varsity tournament, but also a great JV tournament for us.”

## SCOREBOARD

### PREP SPORTS SCHEDULE

#### SATURDAY

Girls Basketball — Astoria at White Buffalo Classic, Madras, TBA; Warrenton at Sutherland Tournament, TBA; OES at Knappa, 6:30 p.m.  
 Boys Basketball — Knappa Tip-Off Classic, TBA; OES at Knappa, 8 p.m.; Warrenton at Vernonia Tournament, TBA  
 Swimming — Astoria at Tillamook Invitational, 10:15 a.m.  
 Wrestling — Astoria at Mark Morris Invitational, TBA

#### GIRLS BASKETBALL

##### Cascade 45, Seaside 33

SEA (33): Lilli Taylor 10, Douglas 9, Blodgett 4, Snyder 4, McFadden 4, Peterson 2, Owsley, Boyd.

CAS (45): Abbigail Cordero 12, Tobiasson 8, Pedersen 7, Boyles 6, Federico 3, Hinkle 3, Wilson 2, Jeppsen 2, Coleman 2.

Seaside	4	6	13	10—33
Cascade	17	10	12	6—45

#### BOYS BASKETBALL

##### Cascade 56, Seaside 53

SEA (53): Brayden Johnson 20, BeJohnson 16, Hague 10, Snyder 3, Rich 2, Sibony 2, Pugh, Kawasoe, Bennett.

CAS (56): Drake Davis 18, J.Bischoff 11, C.Bischoff 10, Raney 5, Nolan 4, Molan 2, Ball 2.

Seaside	11	15	8	19—53
Cascade	17	9	15	15—56

### HOMETOWN REPORT



Evergreen State College

**Astoria High School graduate Chloe Hunt, front, was selected all-conference following her senior year of volleyball at Evergreen State College.**

## HUNT, POYER NAMED ALL-CONFERENCE

By **GARY HENLEY**  
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**T**wo local athletes capped their fall sports seasons at the collegiate level with selections to their respective all-conference teams.

Astoria graduate Chloe Hunt — currently in her basketball season at Evergreen State College — was named to the first team all-Cascade Collegiate Conference volleyball squad.

Hunt was the only Geoduck on the first team all-conference squad.

A senior at Evergreen, Hunt

led the volleyball team in blocks with 100, which included 16 solo blocks. That ranks third in school history for blocks in a season. Hunt now holds the Evergreen school record for career blocks with 364.

For the 2019 season, she finished second on the team in kills with 249, and closed out her career with 965 kills, second in school history.

Evergreen finished the season with a 12-17 record, 10-10 in the CCC.

#### Poyer second team DL

Meanwhile, former Astoria

three-sport star Jeramy Poyer was selected as a second team defensive lineman on the North Star Athletic Association all-conference football team, following his senior year at Dickinson (N.D.) State.

The Blue Hawks won their fifth straight conference title, posting a 6-1 conference record.

Dickinson State lost in the first round of the NAIA National Championships, a 57-14 setback to Morningside College.

In 11 games, Poyer had 23 total tackles, (15 assists, eight solo). He also recorded four sacks in his two seasons at Dickinson State.

## Cascade posts opening night win over Seaside girls

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Cascade managed to withstand a furious second half comeback by Seaside in a girls basketball season opener Wednesday night in Turner.

The Lady Gulls rallied from a 24-8 deficit late in the first half, outscoring Cascade 23-18 in the second half, but the Cougars escaped with the win, 45-33.

Sophomore Lilli Taylor scored 10 points to lead the Gulls, but six-foot senior Abbigail Cordero countered with 12 for Cascade, with Ariel Tobiasson adding eight.

The points were hard to come by

in the first half for the Gulls.

Before they could even get settled into the new season, Seaside trailed 10-0, as the Cougars took advantage from three straight baskets from Tobiasson to open the game, followed by buckets from Cordero and Camryn Boyles.

Taylor and freshman Caleigh Peterson had first quarter scores for the Gulls, who trailed 17-4 after eight minutes.

Cascade struggled from the free throw line in the second period, while Seaside picked up scores from Taylor and freshman Kaylee Snyder, but still trailed 27-10 at halftime, after Cascade's Bailey Pedersen hit

a 3-pointer in the final seconds.

Senior Ruby Douglas scored nine points for the Gulls, all in the second half.

Following a score by Taylor, a 3-pointer by Douglas had Seaside within 35-23 late in the third period.

Taylor, Elissa Blodgett and Tristyn McFadden had baskets to open the fourth, and a jumper from Snyder cut Cascade's lead to 43-31, before the Gulls ran out of time.

Taylor added 11 rebounds and four blocks, while McFadden dished out three assists. The Gulls were 14-of-44 from the field, 1-for-15 from the 3-point line.

Seaside hosts Stayton Friday.

With the youngest roster in the Cowapa League, Wednesday's game “was a case of ‘welcome to varsity basketball,’” said Seaside coach Mike Hawes. “Cascade, as we knew, would throw all kinds of pressure at us — run-and-double, three-quarter zone press, half court trap, double our best ball handlers ... it took us at least a quarter if not the first half to find our balance, adjust to tempo and pressure.”

In the second half, “we were more poised and played them pretty well,” he said. “This is our process. Probably good for us to face this type of pressure now. We'll see some good pressure from Stayton, too.”

## Seaside rally falls short against Cascade boys

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Cascade had the height advantage, and held the advantage on the scoreboard at the end, as the Cougars scored the upset of opening night play in 4A boys basketball Wednesday.

In front of their home crowd in Turner, Cascade held off a big Seaside rally in the final three minutes for a 56-53 win over the Gulls, who

lost their season opener for the second year in a row.

Seaside senior Brayden Johnson led all scorers with 20 points, but Cascade junior Drake Davis poured in 18, junior Justus Bischoff added 11 and Carson Bischoff scored 10 for the Cougars.

The Gulls spent much of the night trying to rally, after falling behind 11-4 in the opening quarter.

Johnson scored 15 of his 20 in

the second period, and put Seaside in front 24-20 late in the first half, before the Cougars tied it at halftime, 26-26.

Davis keyed a big third quarter for Cascade, draining a pair of 3-pointers, the second with 1:30 remaining to give the Cougars a 39-31 lead.

Ryan Hague finished with 10 points for the Gulls, but the senior was held scoreless until the final period.

A basket by Hague early in the fourth had Seaside within 45-41, but a 3-pointer by Cascade's Matt-Alex Raney pushed the Cougar lead back to 50-41.

The Gulls rallied again with a trey from Beau Johnson and back-to-back scores by Everet Sibony and Brayden Johnson, helping Seaside close to within 52-48.

Carson Bischoff converted a two-point basket for a 54-48 lead, but

Hague answered with five straight points, including a layup with 56 seconds remaining that had the Gulls within 54-53.

Seaside had several opportunities to take the lead, but a miss and a foul by the Gulls led to two made free throws by Justus Bischoff with 6.7 seconds left.

Seaside's Stephen Snyder missed a desperation 3-pointer as time ran out, and the Cougars held on for the victory.

Beau Johnson added 16 points for the Gulls, who outscored Cascade 19-15 in the fourth quarter.