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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Astoria crushes Scappoose

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After a 45-31 loss Tuesday at Seaside, the Scappoose girls basketball team made its second trip in four days to the coast, as the Indians paid a visit to the Astoria Brick House for a non-league game Friday night.

And Scappoose didn't have a chance against the No. 1-ranked Astoria Lady Fishermen, who hammered out a 65-24 win over the Indians in a match between two former Cowapa League rivals.

The Lady Fish were doing what they do best — forcing turnovers and building an early insurmountable lead, as they tune up for tournament play over the next month.

Astoria takes part in the Les Schwab Invitational in Marshfield Dec. 19-21, followed by their own Dulcich Tournament Dec. 27-28, and capped by an appearance in the Denali/Pepsi Invitational in Anchorage, Alaska, Jan. 2-4.

The Lady Fishermen forced 31 Scappoose turnovers in Friday's game, and Astoria had all the points it would need by the opening minutes of the second period, leading 34-10 at halftime.

Hailey O'Brien led a balanced scoring attack with 14 points, followed by Julia Norris and Kelsey Fausett with nine apiece. Sophie Long and Shelby Rasmussen had eight points each.

SCOREBOARD

PREP SPORTS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY
Boys Basketball — Grand View Christian at Jewell, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
Girls Basketball — Vernonia at Knappa, 6 p.m.
Boys Basketball — Vernonia at Knappa, 7:30 p.m.

BASKETBALL
Seaside Holiday Classic
Thursday's schedule

Girls
10 a.m.: Elma vs Corbett
1:00: Cottage Grove vs Newport
4:00: Washougal vs Madras
7:00: Rochester vs Seaside
Boys
11:30: Montesano vs Astoria
2:30: Madras vs Cottage Grove
5:30: Centralia vs Corbett
8:30: Newport vs Seaside

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Astoria 65, Scappoose 24
SCP (24): Allison Wills 8, Scott 5, Dague 5, Hagen 3, Maak 2, Mann 1.
AST (65): Hailey O'Brien 14, Norris 9, Fausett 9, Long 8, Rasmussen 8, Hankwitz 6, Helmersen 4, Cole 4, Jackson 3, Norman, Espelien, Matthews.
Scappoose 7 3 5 9—24
Astoria 22 12 22 9—65

BOYS BASKETBALL
Scappoose 62, Astoria 56
SCP (62): Kyle Negelspach 18, Boyle 16, McNabb 11, Greiner 6, Elliott 3, Lull 3, Archer 3, McKedy 2.
AST (56): Xander Marinovich 21, Jones 14, Stenblom 7, Williams 6, Moore 4, Brockman 2, McMaster 2, Matthews, Altheide-Nielson.
Scappoose 14 13 14 7 14—62
Astoria 8 13 12 15 8—56

Seaside 58, Marshfield 38
MAR (38): Mason Ainsworth 16, Montiel 11, Davidson 4, Daugherty 4, Jimenez 2, N.Niblett 1.
SEA (58): Ryan Hague 17, Br.Johnson 14, Snyder 14, Be.Johnson 5, Pugh 3, Rich 3, Langmo 2.
Marshfield 6 14 7 11—38
Seaside 11 14 25 8—58
Mannahouse Christian 48, Warrenton 39
MC (48): McKinley Faria 16, I.Johnson 13, Beleski 8, Lasater 8, Hoglund 4.
WAR (39): Devin Jackson 20, A.Little 9, Bodden-Bodden 6, Morrow 2, Maddox 2.
Mannahouse 4 15 11 17—48
Warrenton 9 11 9 10—39

BOYS BASKETBALL

Seaside pounds Marshfield

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Ryan Hague scored 17 points, and teammates Brayden Johnson and Stephen Snyder added 14 apiece, helping Seaside to an easy 58-38 win over Marshfield in a nonleague boys basketball game Friday night at the Gulls' Nest.

It was raining 3-pointers early on for Seaside, as four of the first five field goals for the Gulls came from outside the 3-point line for an early 14-6 lead.

Johnson had a pair of treys just seconds into the game, with Snyder and Gavin Rich adding additional 3-pointers.



Corey Conant

The Warrenton wrestling team celebrates after winning their own invitational Saturday.

Warrenton wrestlers hammer out victory at their own invite

By **GARY HENLEY**
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The next target for Warrenton wrestling: a district title.

The Warriors have already proven that they can win the regular season invitationals, as they did again Saturday at home.

Warrenton scored 323 points and finished with eight individual champions to win their annual tournament for the second year in a row.

Now it's time to focus on winning the 3A Special District 2.

Warrenton swarmed the competition Saturday, as the Warriors finished well ahead of second place Vernonia (182 points), with Seaside (178.5) third.

Ilwaco was fourth, followed by Raymond, Astoria, Clatskanie, Knappa and Wahkiakum.

"Wrestling for the home crowd is one of the most thrilling aspects of high school wrestling," said Warrenton coach Corey Conant, whose team is on the verge of a district dynasty. "We were excited to show the community what we have been working on. We put eight wrestlers in the finals and won six.



Seaside Wrestling

Warrenton's Nic Pior, left, and Aidan Tice of Seaside were named the most outstanding wrestlers of the Warrenton Invitational.

It was a great night to watch Warrenton wrestling, and we were happy for our families and supporters to see our team do so well."

Warrenton's first big points came

from sophomore Austin Atwood at 120 pounds.

Following a forfeit win, Atwood scored three straight falls over Xander Knox of Seaside (in 5:22), Ole Olsen of Raymond (1:13) and Ilwaco's Malachi Taylor in the title bout (1:01).

The Warriors' second wrestler to reach the finals was sophomore Parker Greenawald at 132, where Greenawald opened with a pin over Seaside's Josh Brown (2:38) in the quarterfinals, followed by a major decision (14-3) against Knappa's Jacob Morey in a semifinal match.

In the title match, Greenawald scored his quickest win of the day, a 43-second fall over Warrenton freshman teammate Raul Melina.

The Warriors won the next weight class as well.

Armin Rodriguez posted a 43-second pin over Clatskanie's David Nowlin in the quarterfinals at 138, scored a fall (1:07) over teammate Jorge Lopez in the final four, then defeated Clatskanie's Anthony Coats with a 53-second pin in the championship match.

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Astoria girls, Seaside boys win Andrew Nygaard Invitational

Local swimmers have big day at annual meet

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The local teams were the winners Saturday in the annual Andrew Nygaard Invitational swim meet at the Astoria Aquatic Center.

Astoria (82 points) edged Seaside (80) by two points to win the girls' team title, while Seaside racked up 88 points to take the boys' team championship, ahead of second-place Astoria.

Of the 22 events, the Fishermen and Gulls combined to win



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Astoria junior Grace Peeler, on her way to the win in the breaststroke.

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Mannahouse Christian defeats Warrenton, 48-39

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Mannahouse Christian rallied from a small deficit with six minutes left, then held off Warrenton down the stretch for a 48-39 win Friday night, in a nonleague boys basketball game played at Clatsop Community College.

The Warriors held a 20-19 lead at halftime, before the Lions outscored Warrenton 28-19 in the second half.

Warrenton "played pretty well for most of the game," said Warriors coach Nate McBride. "We led with six minutes to go, but then trailed by one to three points until about 1:30 left, when we started fouling and trying to trap. They spread out the distance from there."

Mannahouse Christian — formerly City Christian — "had two really tough guards that we spent most of the game chasing around," McBride said. "Devin Jackson had a huge game, 20 points and 13 rebounds."

He added, the Lions "had somewhere between 20-30 second chance points. We really got beaten up on the boards."

McKinley Faria scored 16 points to lead the Lions, followed by Isaac Johnson with 13.

Warrenton plays this week in the Dayton tournament, opening with Santiam Christian Thursday at 1:30 p.m.



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Seaside's Ryan Hague hangs in the air for a jump shot in Friday's win over Marshfield.