

# SEASIDE Sports

## HOMETOWN HEROES

# SORTER SETS YORK SCHOOL RECORD

By Gary Henley  
Seaside Signal

**C**RETE, Neb. — Seaside High graduate Cameron Sorter (Class of 2014) is a new school record-holder for the York College track team.

Sorter, a junior at the Nebraska college, broke the school record — three times over the last month — in the 1,500 meters. He also set a new York College record in the 800 meters.

Running in the recent Jim Dutcher Memorial Classic track meet April 23, the former Gull finished fourth in 4 minutes, 9 seconds, a new record for the Panthers.

He broke his own school record in the next meet, finishing third in 4:05.27 in the KCAC Championships, May 4-5 at McPherson (Kan.) College.

The following week, Sorter ran even faster, finishing in 4:04.01 to place 12th in the 1,500 final at the NCCAA (National Christian College Athletic Association) Championships in Shawnee, Okla.

The same weekend, he ran a 1:56.50 in the 800, failing to qualify for the final, but setting a new school record.



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Seaside High graduate Cameron Sorter had a busy week, setting school records for the York College track team.

## Seaside athletes competing at collegiate level this spring

**JOSH CHESNUT**, Sophomore, NW Christian track

**SAM HINTON**, Sophomore, Willamette golf

**PAIGE IDEVE**, Freshman, Centralia softball

**CAM SORTER**, Junior, York College track

**DANIELLE WILLYARD**, Freshman, NW Christian track

**BRETT WILLYARD**, Senior, Oregon Running Club

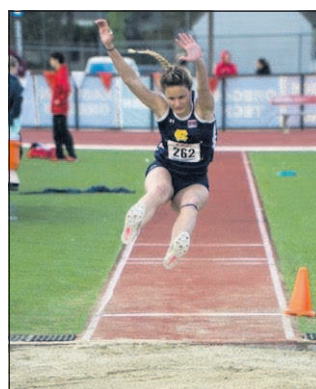
**KELLY WILLYARD**, Sophomore, NW Christian track

## Letters-of-intent signees (spring sports)

**JACKSON JANUIK**, George Fox University Track

**JUNEAU MEYER**, NW Christian Track

**BRADLEY RZEWNICKI**, Gonzaga Track



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Seaside HS grad Danielle Willyard competes in a recent long jump event for Northwest Christian University.



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Seaside High School senior Bradley Rzewnicki, seated, left, is surrounded by friends and teammates after signing a letter-of-intent to run track at Gonzaga University next school year.



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North Coast official Teena Toyas was honored by the Oregon Athletic Coaches Association for her years of service.

## Toyas earns OACA officiating award

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The Oregon Athletic Coaches Association (OACA) named Seaside's Teena Toyas, Clatsop Community College Physical Education Instructor and long-time sports official, a 2017 Official of the Year.

The organization honors two outstanding officials each year and was awarded Saturday, May 20 at the Coach of the Year Banquet in Eugene. The OACA selects from nominees that exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and moral character and carry the endorsement of the Oregon Athletic Officials Association.

Toyas has 38-plus years of service and experience officiating basketball, volleyball and soccer in several states.

## Seaside golfers take fourth

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**BANKS** — For the second year in a row, the Seaside boys golf team finished one spot shy of qualifying for the state tournament.

Scappoose won the team title of the District 1 Regional tournament, which concluded May 9 at Quail Valley Golf Course in Banks.

Valley Catholic and Crook County securing the other two spots to next week's state tournament, while the Gulls finished fourth.

The bright spot for Seaside — all five Gulls' golfers who competed (a junior and four sophomores) will return next year.

As Tuesday's scores were posted, it looked as if the Gulls might overtake defending state champion Crook County for the third and final qualifying spot for state.

But the Cowboys still had Mayson Tibbs on the course, and when Tibbs came in with a 69 for the day, it knocked 60 strokes off of Crook County's team score and the Cowboys surged 17 strokes ahead of Seaside to secure their spot in Corvallis next week.

## BASEBALL

# Gulls finish with win over Scappoose

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The Seaside Gulls saved their best for last, as they scored a 10-5 win over Scappoose in a Cowapa League baseball season finale May 13.

Seaside scored six runs in its first at-bat and finished with 11 hits, while senior Scott Plampin pitched a complete game to conclude his high school career.

He threw 103 pitches, allowing nine hits with seven strikeouts and no walks.

Gage McFadden led the offensive attack, going 3-for-4 with a run

scored. Teammates Payton Westerholm and Otto Hoekstre had two hits apiece, with Hoekstre adding a triple and two runs scored.

Leadoff hitter Duncan Thompson scored twice, and No. 9 hitter Ashton Boyd drove in two runs for the Gulls, who finish the season 7-15 overall, 4-11 in league.

Seaside loses just four seniors — Hoekstre, Plampin, Dylan Wallis and Brent Walsh.

## Astoria 5, Gulls 0

**ASTORIA** — Astoria played another near-perfect defensive game May 9 at Aiken Field, where the Fishermen posted a 5-0 win over

Seaside in Cowapa League/Clatsop Clash baseball action.

The Gulls could only manage two hits off Astoria's "Scandinavian Connection," which works just as fine for baseball as it did in football.

Pitchers Olaf Englund, Fridtjof Fremstad and Tyler Lyngstad were virtually untouchable, striking out eight with two walks.

It took just minutes for the Fishermen to score the only run they would need in the win.

Trey Hageman and Englund drew back-to-back walks in the first inning, Kyle Strange reached on an infield hit to load the bases, and Englund sprinted home on a ground-

er by Samboy Tuimato for the first run.

Englund and Fremstad drew consecutive walks to start the third, and Strange lined a single to center to bring in Englund.

Astoria doubled the score in the fourth. With two outs and no runners on base, Hageman and Englund drew walks, and Fremstad greeted reliever Scott Plampin with a sharp single to left, scoring Hageman. Englund scored on a double steal for a 4-0 lead.

Plampin was effective for the Gulls over the remainder of the game, striking out three with no walks.

# Strong finishes for Seaside Kids softball teams

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Seaside Kids, Incorporated and the North American Fastpitch Association (NAFA) combined to host U14C and U12C softball tournaments, June 3-4.

Seaside Kids, Inc.'s U14 team defeated Gaston 13-10 to open the tournament Saturday in pool play.

Their second game was against the Grizzlies of McMinnville, which posted a 13-6 win over Seaside.

In Sunday's eight-team bracket play, Seaside was the No. 2 seed from the A pool and was matched against the Lady Royals from Eugene, the No. 3 team from the B pool.

Going into the bottom half

of the fifth inning, Seaside trailed by five runs, but they rallied with six runs, capped by a game-winning single from Gracie Rhodes, which allowed Emily Philbrook to score to tie the game and McKenzie Cole to slide into home plate for the 14-13 win.

The win advanced Seaside to the semifinal game against Ignite from Vancouver, Wash.

Ignite won, 18-0, then defeated the Legends of Gresham 20-0 in the championship game. Seaside and Scappoose tied for third.

The U12 Seaside team lost to O'Brien Timber 9-3, and then fell 12-5 to Gaston Saturday.

Sunday in bracket play, Seaside defeated Amity 13-4, then suffered a 10-5 loss

to Renegade. Playing in the third place game, Seaside lost 14-12.

Seaside Kids' softball program started playing in the NAFA tournaments last year.

Up until this weekend, the U12 and U14 teams had been winless. It was a very successful weekend for both teams, as they recorded their first wins, with third- and fourth-place spots, respectively.

Seaside Kids thanks Sweet Septic for the donation of their facilities, the Seaside School District for the use of the Wahanna Fields, SEPRD and the city of Seaside for the use of Broadway Field.

Both tournaments brought 17 teams to Seaside for the two-day weekend tournament.



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Seaside Kids, Inc. 14U softball team. Front row, left to right: Emily Philbrook, Gracie Rhodes, Briana Boyd, Tristyn McFadden, Emma Taylor, Haley Hughes. Back row: Coach Jason Boyd, Zoey Alexander, McKenzie Cole, Victoria Soprano, Ella Jesberger, Kandice Flaigg, Shelby Chester, Kiara Breckenridge, Coach Tobi Boyd.