

SEASIDE MOVES UP THE RANKINGS



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Ryan Hague helps lead the Gulls to a win against 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 non-league boys basketball game Dec. 13 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.

The Pirates, however, somehow managed to keep it close.

A four-point play by Mason Ainsworth had Marshfield within 23-20 late in the first half.

But the young Pirate team, with

eight sophomores on the roster, just couldn't stick with the Gulls in the second half.

Seaside outscored Marshfield 25-7 in a decisive third period, highlighted by 11 points from Snyder, who — along with Ledger Pugh and Beau Johnson — capped the quarter with three straight 3-pointers.

The Gulls were ranked third in the Dec. 10 coaches poll.

Gulls 68, Scappoose 54

Two former Cowapa League foes renewed their old rivalry Dec. 10, as Seaside hosted Scappoose for a non-league boys basketball game at the Gulls' Nest.

And the Gulls still own the Indians, as Seaside — outside of a few seconds in the second quarter — led from start to finish for an easy 68-54 win over class 5A Scappoose.

Seaside's Ryan Hague pumped

in 24 points to lead all scorers, with Beau Johnson adding 15 points, and 12 apiece for Stephen Snyder and Brayden Johnson.

Only three Seaside players scored in the first half — Beau Johnson had 13 points, followed by Hague (12) and Snyder (eight) — but that was enough for a 33-27 halftime lead.

The Seaside scores were coming in three's, on 3-pointers from Johnson and Snyder, while both players were fouled while taking 3-point shots, and made all their free throws. Seaside finished 12-for-14 from the line.

The Gulls put the game away early in the third quarter, as Brayden Johnson opened the second half with a 3-pointer, followed by back-to-back scores from Hague for a 41-27 advantage.

The Gulls poured it on in the fourth quarter, with more three's from Everest Sibony and Brayden Johnson for an eventual 65-46 lead.

Lady Gulls defeat Corbett and Scappoose

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After an 0-2 start to the season, the Seaside girls basketball team was looking more like a Cowapa League team, following their second straight win Dec. 12.

The Lady Gulls had everything well in hand by halftime in a nonleague game at Corbett, leading 23-9 on the break on their way to a much-tougher-than-it-should-have-been 38-31 victory over the Cardinals.

After playing to a 7-7 tie in the first quarter, Seaside outscored Corbett 16-2 in the second in a foul-plagued first half, which featured a combined 25 fouls.

While the Cardinals finished 1-for-9 at the free throw line in the first half, the Gulls were dominating the boards and racking up points, including a pair of 3-pointers by Jadah Doney in the second period.

Lilli Taylor and Tristyn McFadden both knocked down 3-pointers in the third quarter for an eventual 29-14 lead.

That's when the Cardinals had their only good stretch of offense in the game, as Corbett answered with 3-pointers by Sydney Schimel, Luciana Raimondo and Tia Kendall, trimming the Seaside lead to 29-25.

Taylor led the Gulls with nine points before fouling out, while Doney and Ruby Douglas had eight points apiece. Olivia Fritz had 10 points for Corbett before fouling out.



Seaside Wrestling

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

Seaside wrestlers place third at Warrenton Invite

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Warrenton scored 323 points and finished with six individual champions to win their annual tournament for the second year in a row, Dec. 14 at Warrenton High School.

Warrenton swarmed the competition, 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.

Seaside's Aidan Tice (most outstanding wrestler in the upper weights) won four matches to win the championship at 152 pounds, where Tice had a 51-second pin against Raymond's Oscar Juarez, a 17-2 technical fall over Clatskanie's Mike Hinsz, another quick pin (59 seconds) over Wahkiakum's Braxton Jones, then a hard-earned pin (3:23) over Ilwaco's Keegan Kemmer in the final.

SCOREBOARD

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Seaside 38, Corbett 31
SEA (38): Lilli Taylor 9, Doney 8, Douglas 8, Peterson 5, McFadden 5, Blodgett 2, LaPlante 1.
COR (31): Olivia Fritz 10, Schimel 5, VanHee 5, Raimondo 5, Kendall 3, Smith 3.
Seaside 7 16 6 9—38
Corbett 7 2 10 12—31
Seaside 45, Scappoose 31
SCP (31): Alivia Wills 9, Mann 7, AilWills 5, Dague 4, Templin 3, Negelsbach 3.
SEA (45): Lilli Taylor 28, Douglas 8, Blodgett 7, McFadden 2, Snyder, LaPlante, Doney, Peterson.
Scappoose 4 10 8 9—31
Seaside 8 8 20 9—45
BOYS BASKETBALL
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, BrJohnson 14, Snyder 14, BeJohnson 5, Pugh 3, Rich 3, Langmo 2.
Marshfield 6 14 7 11—38
Seaside 11 14 25 8—58
Seaside 68, Scappoose 54
SCP (54): Jake Boyle 11, Negelsbach 9, McNabb 9, McKedy 8, Greiner 6, Lull 6, Archer 4, Stoddard 2.
SEA (68): Ryan Hague 24, BeJohnson 15, BrJohnson 12, Snyder 12, Sibony 3, Bennett 2, Pugh, Langmo, Rich, White, Kawasoe.
Scappoose 14 13 15 12—54
Seaside 16 17 16 19—68

Swimmers score at Nygaard meet

By **GARY HENLEY**
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ASTORIA — The local teams were the winners Dec. 14, 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 11, with team depth carrying the Astoria girls and Seaside boys to the team titles.

Molalla, Rainier and Valley Catholic were the other schools competing in the annual meet that celebrates the life and honors the memory of Andrew Nygaard, a young swimmer with the North Coast Swim Club who died following a workout in 1998.

"Overall it was a good meet," said Seaside coach Shane Spell. "We had a fair number of kids battling illness this week, but they still responded well. Other teams were dealing with that as well. We need to keep focusing on improving each day. (Next) Friday will be a tough meet at Newport with a lot of fast competition, which will be a great opportunity for some new best times before we head into winter break."

Astoria and Seaside set the tone early, with the Lady Fish winning the 200-yard medley relay in 2 minutes, 14.24 seconds, with the foursome of juniors Constance Rouda, Grace Peeler and Tori Smith, and freshman Emelia Cameron.

Seaside's squad of sophomores Leif Reh-



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Seaside teammates Kaisa Liljenwall, right, reacts with Nicole Blankenhorn following the 200-yard freestyle.

nert, Liam Matlock and Sam Heroux, along with freshman Masyn McCulloch, won the boys' medley relay in 1:56.40.

Astoria's Riley Cameron captured the 200-yard freestyle in a comfortable 2:00.81 (second place time was 2:13.21), then returned later to win the 100-yard freestyle (53.45 seconds).

Fishermen freshman Christian Womack won the 500-yard freestyle in 6:51.97.

On the girls' side, Smith won the 200-yard individual medley for Astoria, while Seaside's Kaisa Liljenwall, a Warrenton student who competes for the Gulls, won the 100-yard freestyle in 1:04.90, just ahead of

teammate Nicole Blankenhorn (1:06.52).

In one of the most exciting races, Seaside's foursome of Liljenwall, Taryn Shay, Brooke Blankenhorn and Nicole Blankenhorn won the 200-yard freestyle relay in 1:58.57, clipping Astoria's team of Peeler, Rouda, Cameron and Smith (2:01.12).

Peeler added a victory in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:26.02), before the Lady Gulls (Liljenwall, Shay, Emily Philbrook, Brooke Blankenhorn) capped their meet with a win in the 400-yard freestyle relay (4:42.56).

Astoria had to finish at least second in the event to win the team title, which the Fishermen did in 5:22.73.