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Gulls girls are impressive in three-way Astoria track meet



Seaside's Elise Seppa on her way to a second-place finish in the 1,500 meters, last Saturday at Astoria High School.

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With a limited number of meets on the schedule, the Astoria track team hosted a three-way meet last Saturday with Seaside and Warrenton.

All three teams had highlight performers in Saturday's meet.

For the Seaside girls, junior Hailey Strimple-Fields tied for first in the pole vault (5-3), sophomore Megan Hornbeck won the high jump with a personal best 4-8, and junior Elise Seppa won the 3,000 meters (13:39) after a second-place finish in the 1,500 (5:32).

Seaside's Lilli Taylor led the pack in the javelin (62-11), ahead of Astoria's Lily Meadows, who had personal best throws to win both the shot put (33 feet, 11 inches) and discus (85-9).

On the boys' side, Seaside sophomore Gabe Wright was second out of 14 throwers in the javelin with a personal best 122-11.

Astoria sophomore Ella Zilli set personal records in winning both the 800 meter in 2 minutes, 43 seconds and the 1,500 in 5:27.

On the boys side, Warrenton swept the distance races, with Forrest Cooley in the 800 (2:16), and Zander Moha in the 1,500 (4:21) and 3,000 (9:41). Nearly every runner scored personal best times in all three

aces.

Astoria senior T.J. Colvin had personal best times in winning the 100 (11.55) and 200 meter (23.84), and also helped both Fishermen relay teams to victories.

Fisherman junior Colton McMaster was a triple winner in the throws, with a 56-4 in the shot put, nearly 17 feet further than Warrenton's Sam Irwin (PR 39-8), while Astoria's Presley Beck won the high jump and triple jump.

Seaside baseball tops Tillamook

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Tillamook's two-run rally in the bottom of the seventh came up one run short, as Seaside held on for a 5-4 win over the Cheesemakers in Cowapa League baseball action Tuesday.

Both teams had nine hits, while Riley Kuhl and Jarred

White had two hits apiece for the Gulls. Seaside starter Tanner Kraushaar allowed five hits in five innings, with Cameron Schulte pitching the final two innings.

Still hoping for a spot in the season-ending, eight-team tournament, the Gulls were set to finish the regular season with games Thursday at Banks and Saturday at Astoria.

Boys golf: Gulls back in the state title hunt

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The chances of winning a state championship this spring just increased dramatically for the Seaside boys golf team.

For the first time this shortened season, the Gulls showed their potential in a 344-365 victory over Tillamook in a dual match last Tuesday.

Tillamook shot its best round of the year, but the Mooks were no match for the Gulls. Curtis Kunde was back to his winning ways but this time had to share medalist honors with junior Carson Kawasoe, who was playing in his first match of the season after breaking his collarbone in Seaside's

last football game.

The Seagulls also had
Everest Sibony shoot a sea-

son-low 91, followed by Conner Langmo (109) and Owen Higdon (112).

Kunde and Kawasoe battled for medalist honors all day with three lead changes before ending in a tie, each with 72s.

"I don't want to get too excited about today because just (Monday) we were at a low point for the season," said Seaside coach Jim Poetsch. "But I've been telling them all season that once Carson is back, we only need two scores close to 90 to be really good. I think Curtis and Carson are the best one-two pair in the state, and today we got one player in that 90 range."

The Gulls finish the regular season with a match at Quail Valley Golf Course against Banks, with the winner earning a trip to the 4A state tournament.

Softball still in playoff hunt

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Seaside softball is still in the playoff hunt, as the Lady Gulls improved to 9-3 overall with a 12-7 victory over Tillamook, Tuesday at Broadway Field.

Erin Owsley hit a three-run home run to highlight the win.

Now 8-2 in Cowapa League play, Seaside can still earn a co-league championship with two wins over Banks, Thursday and Saturday.

Mannix named to All-Oregon Academic Team

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SALEM — Valerie Mannix, of Seaside, who attends Clatsop Community College, has been announced as one of 45 community college students selected to this school year's All-Oregon Academic Team by the Oregon Community College Association.

The students are selected for their academic excellence, leadership and community

service. They are all members of Phi Theta Kappa, a community college honor society.

Each year, Phi Theta Kappa, community college presidents and community college state associations sponsor All-State Community College Academic Team ceremonies in 37 participating states. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the Oregon Community College Association is honoring the students on its website at bit.ly/2QWluT1

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