

Gulls ready to bounce back after first loss

Seaside Signal

Two teams that met in a pre-season jamboree met again last Friday, this time with a little more on the line.

The next meeting could be even bigger. In a possible state playoff preview, undefeated top 10 powers Seaside and Estacada faced off in the 4A Game of the Night.

Playing away from home for the first time this season, the seventh-ranked Gulls met their match, as the No. 3-ranked Rangers led 30-0 after three quarters, on their way to a 30-14 victory.

After moving the ball at will and outscoring their first two opponents 103-0, the Gulls faced a powerful Estacada team, which moved the ball effectively and scored on several time-consuming drives.

Estacada's biggest play of the night came late in the first half, when quarterback Cory James scrambled and found Caleb McDonald in the end zone with nine seconds left.

Still, the Rangers were their own worst enemy, with two scores wiped out by penalties. Estacada was penalized nine times for 95 yards, including a pair of fourth quarter unsportsmanlike conduct penalties.

Meanwhile, the Gulls lost the ball five times (three interceptions, two fumbles).

Seaside scored on two successive drives in the fourth quarter, a run by



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Seaside coach Aaron Tanabe talks to his players during the pre-season jamboree.

Lawson Talamantez and a TD reception for Jarred White. The Gulls recovered an onside kick with 1:07 remaining, but the Rangers ended Seaside's comeback attempt with an interception at the Estacada 5-yard line.

The Gulls will look to bounce back this week against winless Molalla.

Gulls 48, Newport 0

Seaside cruised to a mercy-rule win Sept. 10, building a 41-0 first half lead on their way to an easy 48-0 win over Newport.

Newport had just 55 yards in total offense, to 347 for Seaside. The Gulls had 249 yards on rushing on 22 attempts (11.3 per carry), while quarterback Car-

son Kawasoe was 7-for-7 for 98 yards.

Gulls 55, North Marion 0

In nonleague action Sept. 3, Seaside led 35-0 after one quarter, and the Gulls finished the game with 427 yards in total offense, to just 11 yards for North Marion in a 55-0 Seaside win.



Jeff TerHar

Seaside volleyball versus Taft. The Gulls posted a four-set win.

Gulls volleyball defeat Taft, lose at Clatskanie

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Two nights against a pair of teams from the 3A level resulted in one victory and one loss for the Seaside volleyball team earlier this month.

The Gulls posted a four-set win Sept. 8 over visiting Taft, 25-20, 25-12, 16-25, 25-14.

Seaside trailed 11-6 in the

opening set, but tied the Tigers at 17-17, then reeled off three straight points highlighted by a block from Aubrie Taylor, who added a kill down the stretch for the win.

The Gulls led the second set 20-7, and Taylor finished off the Tigers with a stuff block at game point.

After Taft won the fourth set, Seaside snapped an 11-11 tie in

Game 5 with six straight points. Alyssa Chen had a service ace at match point.

The Gulls traveled to Clatskanie Sept. 9, where the Tigers remained undefeated with a 25-19, 25-22, 25-14 sweep.

Seaside followed with losses to Stayton, Estacada and Yamhill-Carlton. The team opened Cowapa League play Tuesday with a loss at Valley Catholic.

Gulls fall short in girls soccer

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Coming in with just one goal in their first three games, St. Helens erupted for three goals in a 3-1 victory over Seaside in a non-league girls soccer contest Sept. 14 at St. Helens.

The Lions were coming off a 2-0 loss to Astoria, while the Gulls were fresh off a 4-0 win against Junction City.

Seaside scored the first goal against the St. Helens, in the 11th minute.

But St. Helens answered in the 22nd minute, Rachel Freitag scoring from close range at the right post for

a 1-1 tie. The Lions tacked on a goal just three minutes later, as Jezarel Ortiz finished off a corner kick.

Seaside freshman Kaylee Snyder had shots on goal late in the first half and early in the second, but the shots were deflected or saved.

St. Helens added a third goal in the 66th minute, as Hannah Hayduk scored from close range off another corner kick.

On Tuesday the Gulls lost on the road against Yamhill-Carlton, 2-0. They continue on the road against Valley Catholic (Friday), Rainier (Sept. 28) and Banks (Sept. 30).

Seaside cancels challenge meet

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Host Seaside has decided to cancel the 2021 3-Course Challenge meet, which was scheduled for Saturday at Camp Rilea.

Last year's event was also canceled.

"We simply could not staff our first aid area," said Neil Branson, former Seaside coach who co-directs the meet with Kerri Boutin. "Health care providers have been stretched to the limit, and to press them into further work would not be right."

He added, "the good people at Camp Rilea had provided some parameters

about the number of kids running at one time and the need to move teams on and off the base in an expedient manner.

"We were going to have a very different looking meet, and dare I say very interesting," he said of the meet that has drawn thousands of runners and nearly 100 schools in the past. "We are disappointed. Coaches from schools that were going to come are disappointed and yet fully understand and support our decision to make the health of kids and coaches our number one priority ... 2022 here we come."

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