Corbett wins team titles in Seaside Classic

The Astorian

Seaside's Holiday Classic tournament was a classic one for Corbett High School, which left the coast with two team championships.

Shortly after Corbett defeated Astoria 42-31 in the girls' title game, the Cardinal boys shocked Seaside 46-41 in the boys' championship Saturday night — the first time since 2017 that the Gulls have lost a game in their own tournament.

Corbett senior and tournament Most Valuable Player Joe Fundak scored 21 points in the final, one day after scoring 34 in a victory over Astoria.

The Cardinals built a 16-9 lead midway through the second quarter, but — as they have all season — Seaside answered right on cue with a 10-0 run, highlighted by scores from Conner Langmo, Cash Corder and Austin Palmer

Seaside's Riley Wunderlich hit a 3-pointer to close the first half, Corder drained a 3-pointer in the third quarter for a 31-25 advantage, and Carson Kawasoe's trey had the Gulls in front 34-32 early in the fourth.

That's about where the highlights ended for Seaside, as Corbett's Lane Fort, Fundak and Mykah Cummings had three straight baskets, and the Cardinals never trailed again.

Corbett was 6-for-9 at the free throw line in the final 2:30.

Madras 73, Astoria 68

In the third-place boys game — and most exciting contest — of the Holiday Classic, Madras defeated Astoria 73-68 in double-overtime Saturday afternoon.

The Fishermen built an 18-4 lead after one quarter,

BASKETBALL

By GARY HENLEY

Seaside's Maddi Utti was

A fifth-year senior at Long

back and playing basketball

in her home state on Dec. 11.

Beach State, Utti played the

No. 22-ranked Oregon Ducks

at Matthew Knight Arena in

Eugene in a nonleague wom-

en's college basketball game.

Ducks a good run, but Ore-

gon held on for a 68-59 vic-

tory. Long Beach, now 7-1

overall, snapped a sev-

Long Beach gave the

The Astorian

Utti stars for

loss to Ducks

Long Beach in



Jeff TerHar

Carson Kawasoe in the Gulls' 56-50 win over Cottage Grove on Dec. 16.

and still led 46-38 going into the fourth, when "Madras got hot, and started making three's," said Astoria coach Kevin Goin.

The White Buffaloes indeed hit four long 3-pointers in the fourth to force overtime, which eventually came down to free throws. Astoria had a chance to win in regulation but missed a free throw.

The Fishermen had balanced scoring from Colton McMaster (18), Owen Williams (14) and Niko Boudreau (11), while Seneca Ball had 20 to lead four Madras players in double figures.

Gulls 55, Madras 35

The Gulls reached the championship game with a 55-35 win late Friday night over Madras.

Cash Corder scored 15 points and Conner Langmo added 12 for the Gulls.

Corbett 65, Astoria 57

The Cardinals locked up their spot in the title game with a 65-57 victory Friday over Astoria.

The Fishermen took a 47-45 lead into the fourth quarter, but Corbett rallied and outscored Astoria 20-11 in the final period, behind a 34-point night from Joe

Colton McMaster scored 26 and Thomas Faulkner

Warrenton wins Heppner tourney

added 16 for the Fishermen.

The Warrenton boys basketball team will continue to climb the Class 3A rankings, following two wins Friday and Saturday in the Heppner tournament.

Warrenton opened play Friday with a 46-43 victory over Heppner, followed by a 41-38 decision over Weston-McEwen in the championship game Saturday.

In the girls' side of the tournament, Warrenton lost close games against Heppner (36-29) and Weston-McEwen (38-33).

Knappa 78, Pilot Rock 25

With a victory over current No. 1-ranked Kennedy earlier in the season, the Knappa Loggers are quickly closing in on the top spot in 2A boys basketball with another easy win Friday night, 78-25 over Pilot Rock.

The Loggers — who gained three first-place votes in the coaches poll — are ranked sixth in the latest OSAA rankings.

Corbett wins girls' title

Before Corbett won the boys' championship game, Corbett's first title in the Seaside Holiday Classic was pro-

vided by the Lady Cardinals, who scored a 42-31 win over Astoria in the girls' final

After opening with a 49-37 win over Heritage, the Lady Fishermen won a low-scoring semifinal Friday over Cottage Grove, 38-22.

Astoria had all the points it would need after just one quarter against the Lions, as the Lady Fish held a 23-11 lead after eight minutes.

Freshman Shelby Bruney scored 18 of her game-high 20 points in the first half, with freshman Malory Dundas adding seven points for Astoria, which the Lions to just 11 points over the final three quarters.

Cottage Grove 39, Seaside 30

Seaside's Lilli Taylor led all players with 24 points, but it wasn't enough as Cottage Grove outscored the Gulls 16-7 in the second half for a 39-30 win in the third place game of the Seaside Holiday

Gracie Arnold scored 20 points for the Lions, while just two other players had points for Seaside (Aubrie Taylor and Abby Nofield).

Lilli Taylor scored 14 points in a 54-30 loss to Corbett in the second round.

Knappa 46, Pilot Rock 41

Clutch 3-point shots from Knappa's Synnove Brown, Alondra Piña and Hadassah Maher helped the Lady Loggers score a 46-41 win over visiting Pilot Rock Friday in a nonleague girls basketball

Brown hit her 3-pointer in the final seconds of the first half, Piña connected from the 3-point line in the final seconds of the third quarter, and Maher's trey gave Knappa a 35-32 lead in the fourth

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Maddi Utti, right, plays defense against Oregon's Ahlise Hurst

scored 19 points, while Maddie Scherr added 12 points, nine assists and seven rebounds in the Duck victory.

Utti went through senior game honors with Fresno State last season, but was

en-game win streak.

five assists.

Utti was one of just two

players to play the entire 40

minutes. She picked up her

first foul just seven seconds

into the game and finished

with three fouls, but played

the entire game, scoring nine

points with six rebounds and

Oregon's Ahlise Hurst



University of Oregon

in a nonconference game at Matthew Knight Arena in Eugene.

granted an extra season because of the coronavirus pandemic.

> Utti has started all eight games this season for Long

Beach, and is averaging 10.3 points and 8.3 rebounds per game. She also has 31 assists, 27 steals and eight blocks, all team-highs.

FOOTBALL

Numerous Gulls, Fishermen on all-league squad

The Astorian

League champion Banks swept most of the individual awards, while the Cowapa League football Coaches of the Year had Astoria ties.

Banks's Cole Linehan — a former track coach at Astoria - shared Coach of the Year honors with Tillamook's Kye Johnson, an Astoria graduate.

Astoria and Seaside both had numerous first team and second team selections. The first team included four of the league's six starting quarterbacks, while the Gulls — for the third year in a row had every starting linebacker

named all-league. Senior Charles White of Banks was selected as the league's Offensive and Defensive Player of the

Wyatt Hesselman of Banks was Kicker of the Year, and Astoria's Colton McMaster was named Punter of the Year.

COWAPA ALL-LEAGUE Offensive Player of the Year: Charles White, Banks

Defensive Player of the Year: Charles White, Banks Kicker of the Year: Wyatt Hesselman, Banks Punter of the Year: Colton McMaster, Astoria

Coaches of the Year: Cole Linehan, Banks; Kye Johnson, First Team Offense WR: Marshall Allen, Sr., Tillamook

WR: Sean LaChapelle, Sr., Milwaukie WR: Colton McMaster, Sr., Astoria C: Jared Landolt, Sr., Tillamook G: Aiden Giles, Jr., Astoria

WR: Aaron Brown, Sr., Banks

G: Izzv Jantes, So., Seaside T: Jake Cooper, Sr., Milwaukie T: Aiden Johnson, Sr., Tillamook T: Michael Vereen, Sr., Banks

TE: Charles White, Sr., Banks FB: Lawson Talamantez, Sr., Seaside RB: Luke Cummings, Jr., Astoria

RB: Jamar Flippen, Sr., Banks QB: Trent Buchler, Sr., Tillamook QB: Cooper Gobel, Sr., Banks QB: Kaden Harris, Jr., Milwaukie QB: Rocky Rub, Sr., Astoria

K: Wyatt Hesselman, So., Banks

First Team Defense DE: Jackson Farris, Fr., Valley Catholic DE: Daevon Vereen, Jr., Banks DE: Michael Vereen, Sr., Banks DT: Matt Evans, So., Astoria DT: Dillon Stein, Sr., Tillamook

LB: Zane Garvey, Sr., Milwaukie LB: Noah Holub, So., Valley Catholic LB: Andrew Ignotov, Sr., Milwaukie LB: Aiden Johnson, Sr., Tillamook LB: Tanner Kraushaar, Jr., Seaside

LB: Lawson Talamantez, Sr., Seaside LB: Charles White, Sr., Banks LB: Gilbert Whitlatch, Jr., Tillamook

LB: Cooper Rogien, Sr., Seaside

DL: Will Hofmann, So., Astoria DL: Sven Johnson, Jr., Astoria NT: Luke Bigsby, Fr., Banks LB: Logan Kind, Jr., Banks

Second Team Defense

SS: Christian Lyda, Jr., Banks FS: Gavin Smith, Jr., Milwaukie

CB: Jack Lyda, Jr., Banks CB: Brody Thompson, Sr., Milwaukie SS: Niko Boudreau, Jr., Astoria SS: Tyler Moncrief, Jr., Tillamook FS: Jamar Flippen, Sr., Banks FS: Jarred White, Sr., Seaside P: Colton McMaster, Sr., Astoria Second Team Offense WR: Tanner Hoskins, So., Tillamook WR: Zeyon Hurliman, Jr., Tillamook WR: Henry McCarthy, Jr., Valley Catholic OL: Antonio Aguilar, Fr., Milwaukie OL: Sam Diaz, Jr., Tillamook OL: Gus Hendrickson, Sr., Valley Catholic

CB: Kaleb Bartel, Sr., Seaside CB: Everest Sibony, Sr., Seaside