

Tennis has all new faces

The 1978 Clackamas Community College womens tennis team will have a whole new look. There will be no returning players from last year's 2-10 squad.

So far, the fresh start has had a rough beginning. Head Coach Gladys Michael has been able to recruit only five players for a team that should carry around eight.

Of those five, only Debbie Copher, Estacada; Rita Mumm, Oregon City; and Doris Redfield, Rex Putnam, have had any playing experience.

The other two players have been recruited from Michael's 8 to 9:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday tennis class.

"Even though those girls have not had any playing experience, I feel that they have enough ability to help this team from the start," Michael said.

Besides the new players, there will also be some changes in the league setup that will enable the girls to play against teams they haven't played previously.

There is also talk of changes

in the size of the carrying squads that hasn't been confirmed.

Practice will begin the first of March as soon as the Womens basketball season ends. The season itself will begin at home on March 29 against Lower Columbia.

"I feel that we should have a very competitive team with some fine individual talent," Michael said.

"However, we could be more competitive if we can get about three more gals to turn out for the team."

"For those that are possibly interested, but feel that you don't have the time or perhaps feel you won't get the chance to play, the season only lasts until the sixth of May," she said.

"I also make it a point that generally the same people who play singles don't always play all the doubles matches and that gives the other players a chance to play," Michael said.

"So I urge you to come out because, you never know, you might be another Chris Evert," she said.

By Randy Frank
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Since returning from their longest road trip of the season, the World Champion Portland Trailblazers have captured five more home victories and are now within three games of breaking the NBA record for the most consecutive home court victories.

The record of 36 straight was set by Wilt Chamberlain and the Philadelphia 76ers back in 1966-67 and it includes only regular season games as the 76ers were beaten twice that year at home in the playoffs.

The Trailblazers record of 45 consecutive victories does include 10 playoff games and should stand alone because post-season victories should be considered a tad bit harder to achieve.

However for the record, the Blazer string stands at 34 and they only need victories over Midwest leader, Denver, on Sun. Feb. 12, (30-16) for win number 35. Pacific Division's second place club, Phoenix, (31-15) Tues, Feb. 14, for number 36, and the record breaker, number

37 would be against the Atlanta Hawks on Wed., Feb. 15.

Portland's overall record of 40-8 is the third best start in NBA history and there could conceivably be a shot at the NBA's all-time best record of 70-12.

To do it the Blazers would need to go to 30-4 through the rest of the way in a schedule which does not favor them because they have 15 games at home and 19 on the road.

However it is conceivable that they will break the record for the best home court record of 37-4 set by the Lakers last season.

And, barring injuries, the Blazers should be able to maintain a pace that would put them among the NBA's elite 65 win club.

Charter members include the 1966-67 Philadelphia 76ers at 68-13, 1970-71 Milwaukee Bucks, 66-16, 1971-1972 Los Angeles Lakers, 69-13 and the 1972-73 Boston Celtics with a record of 68-14.

An interesting sidelight of the 66-67ers is that all during that record breaking year our own Jack Ramsey was the 76ers general manager.

Wrestlers suffer tough weekend, face Mt. Hood

Wrestlers won in action last Friday at Willamette University,

the Cougars were Tom took his opponent 118 pounds and Bill snatched a close one

Tom Burghardt won a decision 10-0 while both 167, and Rocky 177, pinned their op-

Also recording a pin was Mike Vogeles who after sitting out three weeks because of injury got back into competition.

The weekend got to the grapplers though. Bowers, Burghardt, Craig Wallace, and Dennis Coy all were injured at the Round Robin Wrestling Tournament at Highline Community College.

"I was really disappointed because of all the injuries," said



Photo by Ted McKenna
Ron Geister gets thrown by opponent but came back and won match.

Coach Rich Taylor. "They all need about two weeks rest, but we can't afford it."

The bright spots for the team were Tim Jones and Geister. Jones won three matches while Geister took two. Neither lost a match. Vogeles lost one and won one.

"I'm happy to see that the team still wants to wrestle Mt. Hood tonight, despite all our injuries. We are putting our record on the line by doing so," Taylor said. "We have never lost a dual meet in Oregon in 67 straight."

Women defeated . . . again

College womens basketball lost to the University and Linn-Benton College in action

at the Pilots on Jan. 31 graduate, Moe Clifford a couple of her teammates simply too fast for guards to handle. led from the wire 70-44.

was led by Clifford while the other St. added 13 and 12 respectively.

speed also made defense as they Clackamas in to 40 turn-

White led the Cou- 17, as Jan Buse and added 8 each. Linn-Benton on Fri- 3, opposing center

Carol Menken was simply unstoppable with the Cougars losing 68-34.

Menken, a 6-3 postman, hit on 14 of 26 shots for 28 points and 15 rebounds.

For Clackamas, her counterpart Tammy White fouled out early in the first half and did not score a point. Buse hit on only 5 of 17 shots.

Carol Razio had eight, Barb Young had six with four assists and Cindy Kirkpatrick also had six. The Cougars were matched outside the post position.

Menken led her team to 48 percent to 27 percent shooting advantage and 41-27 rebounding advantage.

"Despite the losses, the girls are getting psyched up for the upcoming game. The girls feel that they can win," Head Coach Nancy Mikleton said.

sports notes

The Clackamas Community College mens tennis team will begin the season with a lot of new faces. Only two players are returning from last years squad.

However, the two include Buddy Patenode, who took second in the state tournament while the Cougars number four man, and Randy Doris, the teams sixth or eighth man.

As for the rest of the team, Head Coach Rich Taylor has recruited six players from Gladys Michael's 8 to 9:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday tennis class.

"I anticipate a good year

because of the eager attitude that those who have turned out have shown so far," Taylor said.

Practice will begin the second Monday in March.

The Clackamas Community College baseball team returned to practice field last week. Coach Gene Peterson began running his 1978 squad through informal pitch and catch drills.

At the outset, it appears that the 1978 edition will include about 10 new players and 12 returning lettermen from last years 25-12 squad.

It also appears that 1978 could be a tough year for the Cougars as they try to fill the shoes of All-Star Mickey Wilson, who hit .412 last year as a designated hitter, Rich Jones, the Cougar second baseman who hit .374 and Gary Fiorante, who signed a contract with the Seattle Mariners after compiling a 4-3 record with a 3.13 run average for the Cougars in 1877.

"We should have a strong team with a good, balanced attack and with our strengths in hitting and fielding. In some aspects we might be stronger than last year's squad," Peterson said.

SPORTS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Basketball	Fri 10	Chemeketa	7:30	Home
	Sat 11	Judson Baptist	7:30	Portland
Basket-	Wed 8	Clark	6:30	Vancouver
	Tue 14	Pacific	7:00	Home
	Wed 8	Mt. Hood	7:30	Home

