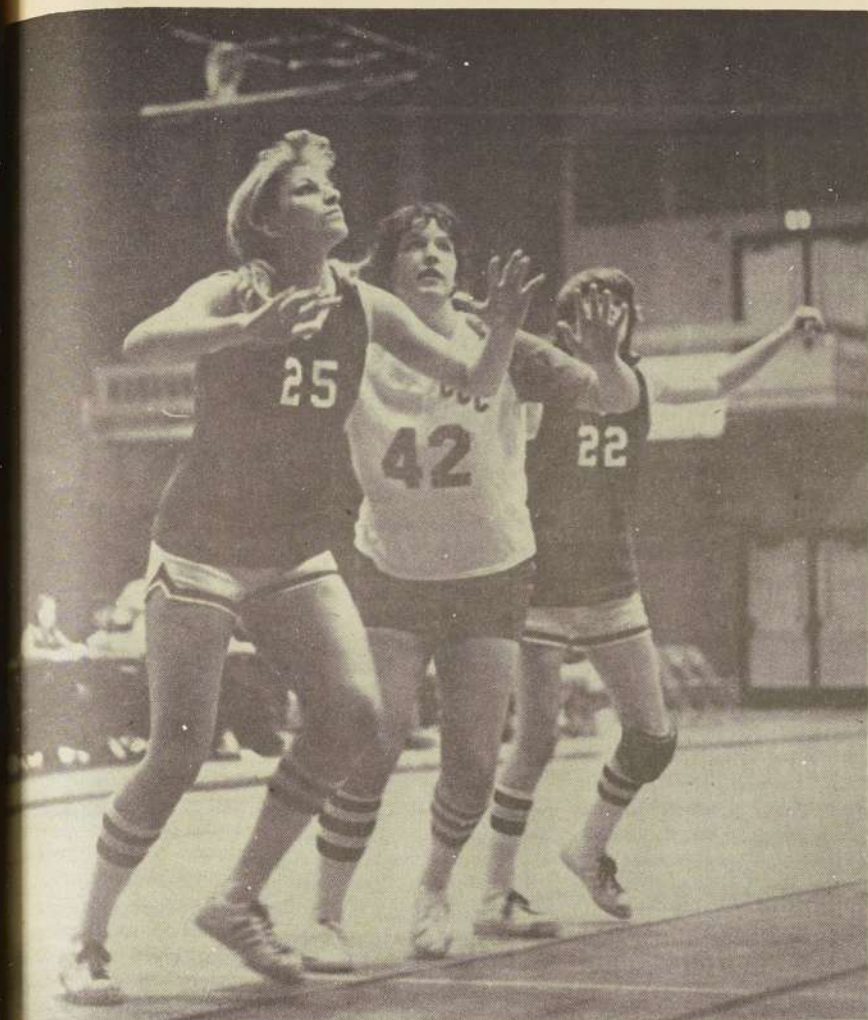




Cougar hoopster anxiously eyes basket in effort to snag a rebound from two opposing players.

Photo by Pat Carlson



Cougar guard looks for an open teammate while a Chemeketa player attempts to deny the pass.

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# Turnovers hinder Cougars' season

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Turnovers and poor execution got the best of the Clackamas women's basketball team Friday night, but Saturday the Cougars got their act together just in time to defeat a tough Lane Community College team in Eugene.

On Friday the Cougars committed an incredible 44 turnovers and shot a terrible 2-14 from the free throw line in losing to Chemeketa Community College, 72-52. The Cougar women had stayed even in the first half as they trailed by only five, 29-24, at the intermission. But in the second half, Clackamas' game fell apart.

"We didn't execute very well at all and our turnovers were atrocious," said Coach Nancy Mikleton. "Not only that, our shooting was miserable. It was just a bad overall game on our part."

We had keyed on their post play.

but then their guard came through and scored 22 points on us so even though we held their post to only nine points, it didn't really help," Mikleton said.

Although the Cougs lost the game, their style of team play was still evident. Lisa Laurent, Debbie Syring, and Cindy Kirkpatrick all scored 10 points while Tammy White added eight. Nancy Perkins pulled down a team high 15 rebounds for the Cougs and was followed by White, who snared 11.

The Cougars traveled to Eugene Saturday to try and patch things up after Friday's disaster, and did a pretty good job of it by posting a hard-fought 56-49 win. Clackamas did cut down on their turnovers considerably as they lost the ball a total of 28 times, but Mikleton still saw room for improvement in this area.

"Our turnovers were a lot better but 28 is still too many for a team to be getting per game. That's just 28 more chances they get to score," she said.

Once again the Cougs dominated play on the defensive end of the floor as they out-rebounded Lane 56-49 with Tammy White pulling down 22 caroms.

"We played pretty well," Mikleton said of the game. "Tammy played a real strong game as well as Nancy (Perkins) Cindy (Kirkpatrick) and Dana (Folmsbee). It was a good, steady game."

White led the Clackamas scoring attack with 20 while Kirkpatrick and Perkins had 10 each. Folmsbee and Lisa Laurent also pitched in with six apiece.

The win put CCC's league record at 4-2, a game and a half out of first place. The Cougars start the second half of league play this week as they play host to Blue Mountain Community College tonight in a make-up game. Friday Clackamas will face Central Oregon Community College (a team which features the league's leading scorer) also at home.



Cougar player pops a jump shot over the out stretched arms of two helpless Chemeketa defenders.

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