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At national track meet...

Murphy sets school javelin record

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Mike Murphy hurled the javelin 222'1" at the national NJCAA track meet last weekend, establishing a new school record and placing him fourth in the overall standings in his event. Murphy's throw picked up the only four points of the meet for the Clackamas men as they had but six men participating.

Jim Holmes, CCC's entrant in the decathlon, did surprisingly well as he placed fourteenth in only his third try at decathlon competition. Following the first day of competition, Holmes was buried in seventeenth place out of 17 men entered. Holmes finished

17 in the long jump, 11 in the shot put, 11 in the high jump, and 17 in the 400 meters, on that first day, which covered only five of the ten total events.

However, on the second day of competition, after once again coming in seventeenth, this time in the 110 meter hurdles, Holmes began to get the hang of national decathlon participation. Holmes moved up to sixth in the 7th event, that being the discus, with a toss of 108' 9". In event number eight, the pole vault, he placed second at 13' 11 1/4" tied with Bob Hills of Jackson Community College. In the javelin, Holmes once again finished second with a heave of 174' 6", only six feet behind Jeff Montpas of Mesa Community

college. Event number ten saw Holmes come in eighth, this time in the 1,500 meter run with a time of 4:33.86 bringing him up to fourteenth place overall.

Preceding Holmes in the running for the decathlon title were: Jeff Montpas of Mesa, who took the first place honors; Craig Branham of Prima; David Saye of San Jacinto;

Bertil Johansson of Ricks; John Irvine of Phoenix; Jim Sokoliwki of Dupage; Ken Young of Eastern Utah; Willie Cummings of Florida; James Palmer Miami-Dade; Ron Garrison of Linn-Benton; Bob Hills of Jackson; Den Luther of Seminole; and Mustafa Nassar of SUNY.

Randy Bolliger, CCC's shot putter, came in seventh in his

specialty, with a toss of 51' 10". Bolliger had earlier won an event at regionals, making a hopeful at the national meet.

In the steeple chase, Oberst, who earlier in the year had ran in the national country meet, injured his leg on the second lap of the race making it impossible for him to finish. Oberst ran into one of the obstacles on the track, collapsed, unable to continue the race.

Dan Jackson and Dan Cobine, CCC's other two participants in the nationals, performed admirably. Cobine finished 9th in his heat of 5,000 meter run. Unfortunately, he had to place in top six to go on to final. Jackson also did not go on to finals as he chucked the discus 144' 4", just below the qualification mark.

Riggs booted from team

Just prior to the opening of the Region 18 men's basketball tournament, Dave Riggs was suspended from the Cougars squad for poor court conduct.

The move kept Riggs from playing in the tournament. In the Clackamas qualified for nationals and a trip to Waco, Texas.

Coach Rich Taylor said "Dave got suspended for the fact of poor court conduct. I couldn't trust his court conduct."

"We had seven other players who were working very hard to be national champs, and I didn't want to jeopardize the chance for some of the other players to go to nationals," he said.

Riggs countered, "The thing I say to myself and the thing I do on the court are no worse than any other player." Riggs continued, "I feel I received a 'Royal Shaft'."

Riggs filed a formal grievance against Coach Taylor which is only the second time such action has taken place and the first against a coach. The Grievance Committee, after an all-day hearing, ruled in favor of Taylor's move and kept Riggs off the team.

Riggs was upset with the handling of the grievance procedures and said he was not properly and fairly presented with the evidence against him. "Taylor presented the committee with letters from opposing coaches, letters I was unable to see," Riggs said. Riggs questioned the validity of the letters, saying that Taylor had "solicited these letters for a definite purpose."

Despite Riggs' feelings, the team went on to Waco for the national tournament—without him.

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RECORD BREAKER—Mike Murphy shatters the school javelin record at Eugene national track meet. Photo by Kelly Laughlin

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Tennis

The Clackamas men's tennis team is in Waco, Texas, this week competing in the national junior college tennis championships. Results and details on the event will be in next week's issue of The Print.

Final regular season statistics for the 1979 season for the Cougars are impressive, as three members had 20 wins or more while four others had winning records.

Dave Long led the team in wins as he collected 23 over the course of the season while losing only twice. Long also teamed up in doubles to claim a 20-5 record.

Rich Bobzien, a sophomore from Sherwood High School, was next on the list of winners as he grabbed 21 wins against only four defeats. Bobzien had a 12-9 record in doubles action.

Out of Rex Putnam High School, Tim Qualls made an important contribution to the team as he won 20 while losing three in singles and was 19-5 in doubles.

Steve Anast, the team's current number one singles player in the nationals, was 15-3 on the year in singles and 6-1 in doubles. The freshman from Tigard started late because of an injury.

Jeff Alexander, a freshman also out of Rex Putnam,

amassed 14 wins on the campaign while losing but one in singles and was 9-4 in doubles play.

Sophomore Alan Clevinger added to the awesome depth of this year's team by collecting 13 wins against eight defeats and was 11-3 in doubles.

Two players who did not make the trip to nationals are John Hazelett and David Riggs. Hazelett was 7-6 in singles, and 13-7 in doubles while Riggs' records stood at 8-8 and 7-7 at season's end.

Baseball

After finishing their season on a good note by winning four in a row, the CCC baseball team received some disturbing news when they discovered last week that they would have to forfeit 10 previous wins because Don Meyers, the Cougars' first basemen, had not completed enough hours at Oregon State to make him eligible prior to May 14.

The forfeits dropped the Cougs' 14-19 overall mark to 4-29 and their league record to 4-20.

Clackamas pitcher Mike Golka earned first team all-league honors, while outfielder Ron Northcutt, third baseman Grady Gassner and shortstop Kevin Barry were named to the second team. Pitcher Dave Coghill, catcher Brad Lehrer and outfielder Jeff McCall grabbed honorable mentions.



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