

# Twinkies, prune juice key to success

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One of the joys of being an ace sports reporter is when you get the chance to talk to truly great athletes. At the beginning of this month, I was given the opportunity to talk to The Print's own intramural flag football team, an awesome machine called The Paperweights.

Because The Paperweights only allow women reporters in their locker room, I did have a little trouble gaining an interview. I managed to track down team spokesman Lee Jeffries. He described the ball club.

"Our quarterback, Brian Rood, has an excellent arm on him," he stated emphatically, "and with receivers like Kelly Laughlin and Mike Koller, our passing game is unbeatable. Another plus is that we've got some strategy that the other teams haven't thought of."

I asked him to give me an example.

"I can't let any of our team secrets get out to the general public," he said, "but, off the record I can tell you that one of our best strategies is to tie our flags to our jock straps."

The Paperweights are also known for their tough training.

All team members are required to go to a rigorous training camp located in the McLoughlin parking lot. All players are also kept on a strict diet of Twinkies and prune juice. Jeffries stated proudly that it was their training methods that helped them to defeat The Grunts in their first game. I asked him if there was any truth to the rumor that they won by a forfeit because The Grunts had enough sense not to try to play in the pouring rain.

"There is absolutely no truth in that," Jeffries maintained, "that rumor was obviously started by some degenerate."

Even the best of them must fall and it was The Paper-

weight's turn when they lost a close one to The Broncos (14-7). Jeffries declined to discuss that game but stated simply that he knew he should have slipped the referee a \$20 instead of a \$5 bill.

Next came, as Jeffries described, "a bruising victory" over The Steves (which I later found out is a non-existent team). However, any hopes The Paperweights had for a bowl bid were crushed by their latest defeat to The Grunts, 42-12.

Hearing about that devastating loss, I rushed over to their locker room hoping to get an interview. Unfortunately, no one was there; however, I learned that the entire team had retreated to a monastery near Colton. Rushing out there, I was able to gain entrance. I managed to track down team spokesman

Jeffries (who was meditating in the garden).

At first, Jeffries refused to talk to me, and insisted that I leave them in peace. Since I'm a good public relations man, and since I have a good right hook, I managed to get him to talk.

"It wasn't that bad of a loss," he protested. "22-12 really isn't that bad."

"That's 42-12," I reminded him.

"42, 22, it's all the same. Give us a break, every team has a bad day. We weren't

mentally prepared. Why, some of the boys haven't seen their gurus for a week."

"Is it true that you had eight players on your team and The Grunts only had five?"

At this point, I had to conclude the interview because Jeffries began to cry. A broken player on a broken team.

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## Grunts take intramural flag football title

The intramural flag football season has come to a close, a very dramatic and exciting one. The team that had totaled the most yards in that time period in which each team would be granted five offensive plays. The team that had totaled the most yards in that time would be declared the victor.

It was a foggy and chilly day at the Clackamas field as The Grunts and The Broncos prepared for the title-deciding battle. The two teams ended regulation play with the score tied at 18. Under intramural rules, the teams would enter a five-play "sudden death" over

time period in which each team would be granted five offensive plays. The team that had totaled the most yards in that time would be declared the victor.

The Broncos took the ball first, and managed only a minimal number of yards. The Grunts then had their turn. It took the explosive Grunts only two plays to better their opponents' effort and take the championship.

Other intramural news of

note, Tim Kelley is setting the pace in the intramural table tennis competition. Kelley has

gained two victories against no defeats to earn the top spot in the early stages of the matches.

## Cagers drop opener to M.S.B.

The coaching debut of Royce Kiser was a rather unpleasant affair as the CCC men's basketball team dropped the season opener to Multnomah School of the Bible, 82-80, at Randall Gym.

Kiser commented, "We did not play good defense at all." It was bad defense that ultimately sent Multnomah players to the free throw line 30 times where they hit on 20. Comparatively, Clackamas only went to the charity stripe 17 times with 10 successful.

The Cougs outshot Multnomah from the floor, scoring 70 points to their opponents' 62, but the lopsidedness of the foul situation proved oh so

costly.

CCC's Eric Walker and Multnomah's Mike Johnson tied for scoring honors in the contest with 28 points apiece. Walker also grabbed 15 rebounds. Rob Anderson added 20 for the Cougs while Kirk Davis tallied 19 to round out the leaders in the scoring department.

The Cougar Cagers will be looking for their first win of the year as they take on Lower Columbia Community College tonight at Randall Gym. Game time is scheduled for 8 p.m. The team will then travel to Pasco, Wash., for a non-league contest against Columbia Basin College on Saturday.



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