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Grapplers third in Invitational

Last week the Clackamas grapplers took a tough defeat from Linn-Benton, came back tough enough to tie Gray's Harbor on the following night, and then took third place as a team in the Clackamas Invitational Tournament, with two third place consolation championships, a second and first place finish on Saturday.

In their most recent encounter, the College hosted the Clackamas Invitational Tournament, in which 13 colleges competed. Clackamas finished below Gray's Harbor and Pacific University, with 37 points. Pacific finished with 111, and Gray's Harbor had

61. Other colleges that competed were Columbia Basin, Mount Hood, University of Oregon J.V.'s, Linn-Benton, Willamette University, North Idaho Wrestling Club, Portland State J.V.'s, Southwestern Oregon, Lane, and Umpqua.

Clackamas' Nathan Winner took a third-place consolation championship in the 134 lb. weight division. Tom Overbay also took a third-place championship in the 158 lb. weight division. Lance Wilson took a second-place victory at 142 lb., and Bill Blackford rolled over a first-place championship.

"I felt we didn't do too bad," said Coach Norm Berney.



Winner did a very good job. He came back and beat a guy who he had lost to before. The Cougars were at a slight advantage against Southwestern Oregon, as SWOCC didn't bring their whole team along. It

will be tougher for Clackamas this Thursday when they have to go against the whole SWOCC team.

Some unfortunate things that happened to the Cougars in Saturday's tourney, were that Bonner received a rib injury and Wilson twisted his knee. The injury of these two "will put a definite hole in the line-up," said Berney.

But overall, "it was one of the most successful tournaments ever," said Berney.

"We did a lot better against Gray's Harbor" said Berney. "Some guys didn't wrestle against LB because of the tourney." The Cougars lost to Linn-Benton by one point, 20-19. "There were matches we lost where we shouldn't have," said Berney.

The Cougar grapplers have had their problems with injuries this season. It seems everytime someone comes back from an injury another wrestler gets in-

jured. Right now on the injury or illness list are Mike Martin, Craig Jensen, Bonner and Wilson. "We don't have enough depth," said Berney.

"Tonight we should have heads up matches," said Berney. Tonight's encounter is with Mt. Hood in Gresham starting at 7 p.m. On the next night, the College grapplers will go against Willamette, also starting at 7 p.m.

On Friday the Cougars will tangle with SWOCC, considered number one in the state. SWOCC is 4-0 in league action, while Clackamas is 4-1. Berney says that it's not the state title they're after, because the state title doesn't really mean anything. It's the regional and national championships that Clackamas is after.

On Saturday the Cougars will compete in the Pacific University Invitational in Forest Grove.

Marilyn Linsenmeyer: '76 Olympic trials competitor

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"I had my eyes glued on the TV all summer," recalled Marilyn Linsenmeyer, College assistant athletic director.

You'd probably be that way, too, if you had come one event short of travelling to Canada as a U.S. pentathlete in the 1976 Olympics, and had now become a first alternate, ready to go and compete at a moment's notice if anything should happen to any one of the three U.S. women who were competing.

"I knew I hadn't made the team as I came around the last turn of the 200-meter event—I knew I had to beat Marilyn King," said Linsenmeyer as she

remembered the events that led up to that summer. "I knew before the final scores were posted that I hadn't made the team."

On the first day of the trials, Linsenmeyer had competed in her strongest events and had done quite well in them. The first day's events were the high jump (5'8 1/4" for Marilyn) and the 100-meter hurdles (13.07). The second day's events were the shot put (43.7), the long jump (19'), and the 200-meter run (24.4), the last event. Usually, the 800-meter run is used, but it was substituted by the 200-meter in 1976. Linsenmeyer's time in the 800-meter was 2:17.

"After the trials, I was out of it for about a month," she said, "but I knew I had done my best, and was happy with it."

Linsenmeyer had set a new personal record at the trials in Eugene of 4,339 points, an Olympic-level score.

Before her attempts to compete in the Olympics, she had competed in track events at Oklahoma State University. He: freshman year in college, in 1971, she was fourth in the 200-meter hurdles. Linsenmeyer was out with injuries in 1972, then came back in 1973 to take fourth in the high jump and become the champion in the 200-meter hurdles. Her last year in college, she took fourth in both the 400-meter hurdles and the high jump.

She stayed in competition for about three years after the trials. After getting over the Olympic ordeal, Linsenmeyer went to Southridge, Calif., to train under a technical coach.

After about a year of this she went to Los Angeles to join the L.A. Naturite Track Club, where she was able to train with four other women in pentathlon events.

In March, 1979, Linsenmeyer competed on the U.S. indoor pentathlon team, for competition against the USSR and Canada. In this competition, she was sixth for the US and 13th overall.

The March competition was Linsenmeyer's last because of leg injuries and a need for money. She wanted to find a job in the area of coaching in track. In the fall of 1979, she started working for the College as assistant athletic director, head women's track and field, and cross country coach.

"I still relive the Olympic ordeal," said Linsenmeyer.



Marilyn Linsenmeyer Staff photo by Sue Hanneman

Men's basketball

The game did have a short bright spot for the Cougars. There was about 10 minutes in the game where Clackamas was able to keep within about 4 points.

"We were beat so bad I was trying to forget about it," said Assistant Coach Paul Fiskum about the Chemeketa slaughter.

The men cagers went one and one over the weekend as they lost to number one ranked, and undefeated Chemeketa, 115-68, but took a ten point win over Umpqua on the previous night, winning 76-66.

The game against Umpqua was a much happier one for the Cougars.

The Cougars were shooting higher percentage shots, which enabled them to pull out to a 42-27 halftime lead.

In the second half the Clackamas cagers were worrying about the lead so much that it shrank down to a tie with five minutes left in the game. The tie got the Cougars turned on enough to get them to shoot to a ten point victory lead, to make the final score 76-66 in favor of the Cougars.

Women's basketball

Despite the offensive showmanship of Clackamas' Lou Ann Garvin, the Cougars were unable to beat Umpqua Community College losing here Friday night, 74-80.

"We played with better intensity and concentration in this game than we did last week," stated Head Coach Nancy Mickleton. "We are losing too many games by too little points. Things have got to start happening for us," she added in reference to the six and four point differences in this week's games against Umpqua and Chemeketa.

In earlier hoop action this week, Clackamas dropped a league counter to Chemeketa, 58-62.

The Cougar's next home court action will be on Wednesday here in Randall Gym. The Cougars will go up against a tough Mt. Hood team, starting at 7 p.m. The game has been predicted by some to be one of the best games of the season.

