

Women's track First league meet starts season on positive note

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The College women's track team started league action last Saturday, with a first place team victory, and a national qualifying distance for Cyd McCormick in the javelin toss.

By the end of the day the Cougar women had compiled

Soccer, softball clinics set

A clinic for coaches of youth or adult soccer teams will be offered at the college this spring. The 8-week clinic will begin April 8.

The clinic will be held Thursday nights in Randall Hall, room 12 and will be taught by College coach Janos Szanto. Szanto has compiled an excellent 39-1-1 record in two years at Clackamas.

For women interested in learning the fundamentals of slow-pitch softball, a clinic will also be offered.

The clinic is designed for beginning and intermediate skill levels and will be conducted by college coaches Nancy Mikleton and Loren Swivel. Sessions are scheduled for Wednesdays, April 21 and 28, from 6-8 p.m.; and Sundays, April 25 and May 2, from 2-4 p.m. There is a \$10 registration fee.

Softball intramurals set April 20

It's springtime and once again everyone's thoughts turn to...softball, of course! Now is the time for students to sign up for this year's Round Robin Tourney in intramural co-ed softball.

Requirements for the annual tourney are simple to meet: each team must have five men and five women to compete. Teams must be signed up by April 15, and games will begin on April 20.

Each year about eight teams participate in the games, which are held from noon-1 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Loren Swivel, coordinator of the tourney is optimistic about the turn-out of teams. Swivel commented, "Usually we have a number of teams participate; and of course, the more teams we have, the better it is. This is for fun, not competition."

Sign-up sheets for the softball tourney are on the Intramural bulletin board across from Randall 003. For more information, contact Loren Swivel at ext. 435.

117 points to finish ahead of North Idaho with 99, Treasure Valley Community College with 72, Whitman with 71, Eastern Oregon State College with 60, Blue Mountain Community College with 15, and South Western Oregon Community College with 8 points.

"I figured we would win the meet, but I just did not know by how much," Coach Marilyn Synia said, "It was our first league meet, so I had no idea how well we would do as far as distances and times go."

Javelin thrower Cyd McCormick tossed her spear 128'4" to qualify for national competition. Following right

behind McCormick in throwing the javelin was teammate Terri Kelly, who had a 112'3" toss, for the second farthest throw of the day.

Another strong event for the Cougar women was the 100 meter hurdles. Petra Johnson ran the distance in a time of 16.4. Once again it was a Cougar athlete who took the second place honors, as Denise Wheatley finished in second place one tenth of a second behind Johnson.

The eight-member Cougar squad showed their teamwork abilities in both the 1600 meter relay, and the 400 meter relay with half the team pulling

together to take first place in both events. Kelly, Wheatley, Debbie Simon, and Marie Freedman joined forces for their 4:18.9 first place time in the 1600 meter relay. The same group of women had a time of 51.8 for their first place victory in the 400 meter relay.

Simon also took first place in the 800 meter individually, with a time of 2:28.9. Johnson grabbed a second place finish in the 100 meter at 13.1 topped only by Mary Storck of Treasure Valley, who finished at 12.8.

Freedman took second in the 400m at 63.8, behind

Treasure Valley's Cheryl Frorian at 61.9.

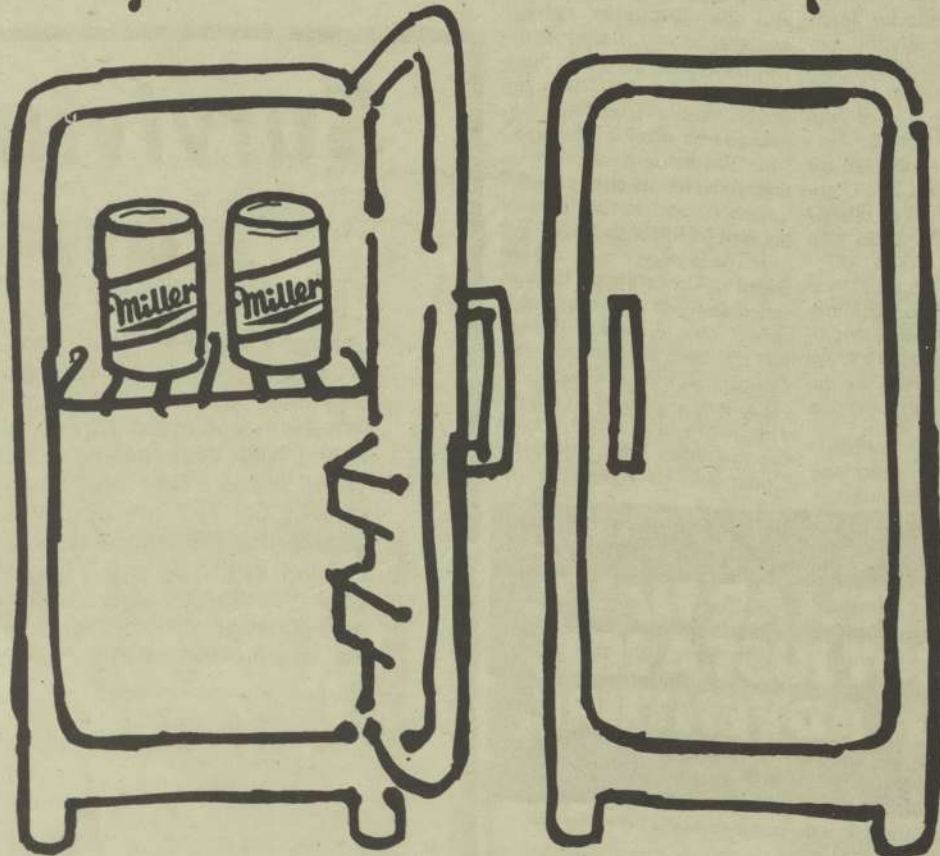
Wynia feels that having only eight members on the team is a benefit as far as getting the women closer together, and being able to know one another better. But being so small has forced some team members to double up on events. "Everyone pitches in to do the events. Some even do events they have never even done before," Wynia said.

The Cougar women will travel to Albany this Saturday to compete with Linn-Benton and Central Oregon Community Colleges.

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