Sports

New head Coach Hodges readies track team

by Heleen Veenstra Staff Writer

"We try to key our season to be at the very best at the Championships," said Mike Hodges, track coach expressing how he felt about the coming season.

He said it would be nice to earn high scores all the time, but he tries to save the wins for later in the season. The first meet will be Saturday, March 9.

Hodges comes from Southwestern Oregon Community College, where he was cross country and track coach, and the Athletic Director.

Hodges said the athletes he expects to be most consistent are, for long distance: Willie Newson, who is a transfer from Oregon State University and a potential northwest champion at the community college level; Mike Smith; Dan Muse; Scott Sheldon; Jack Kegg and Greg Suiter, who is the only returning track member. He was third in the northwest cham-

pionship in 1500 meters. In sprinting: Jeff Faust, Randy Lynch, Brian Johnson, Casey Verhelst.

For Jumping: Eric Christen, Rick Flemmer (both basketball players) and Brett Livingston. In the Hurdles: Rick Renner,

Rick Henson and Keith Kimberlin. In throwing: Tony Kinney and

Pat Knight.

Hodges said about these athletes "Those are the ones who we have to get top performances out of." He said that there still are eight to ten athletes who are still working to get in shape.

Renner and Christen "both competed for me in SWOCC in Coos Bay," said Hodges. Renner placed in two events at the state championships last year. Christen was the leading scorer and placed in four events in state and two events at northwest in 1985.

Hodges stated that the toughest meets at state level will be against Lane Community College and against Mt. Hood Community College. At the northwest level the toughest meets will be against Lane, Mt. Hood, Spokane Community College and Highline Community College.

About women's track, Hodges said, "We're mostly distance runners." His most outstanding long distance runners are: Jean Barnett, Dena Raddle, Maggie Stratte, Kelly Bieber, Christa Caraher, Molly McArtor, who will transfer from University of Oregon at the start of spring term. Sprint/Hurdles: Jackie Harper. Throwing: Carrie Novikoff and Erin O'Donohoe. Jumping: Karla Tiano, who was the leading scorer for the basketball team. Hodges said about Tiano "she hasn't turned out yet, but we're hoping she'll turnout." Hodges stated, "we would really like to finish among the top three in women's state, and in the top five or six in the northwest."

"As far as the men are concerned, we'd like to finish in the top two in state, and in the top four in the northwest." Hodge pointed out.

Hodges said he feels the tear is competitive but "we need few more women for the top." Hodges concluded, "It ha

been a real interesting chang for me. For the last 15 years I'w been one of Clackamas's op ponents. I like the many athlete and the good facilities."

Briefly in Sports

There is a tennis club at Clackamas. Anyone interested in playing should contact Nancy Mickelton at extension 450.

The\first track meet is the Linfield Ice Breaker to be held this Saturday in McMinnville...Softball starts March 10...Baseball starts March 21 and 22 with two double-headers per day at Yakima Valley.

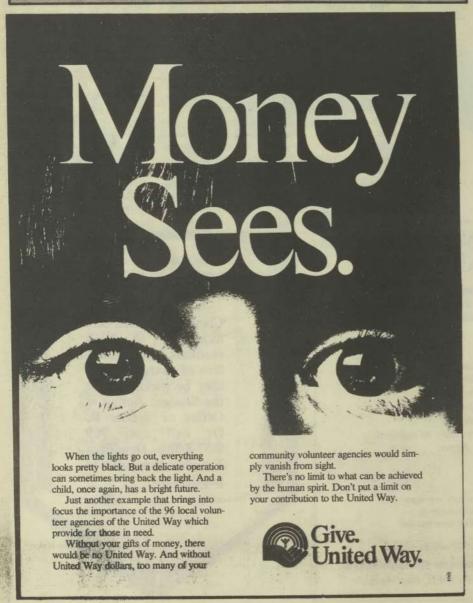
Clackamas Community College Spring Intramurals will be starting soon.

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How about those Los Angeles Lakers and Boston Celtics of the NBA. Both teams are tops in their respective conferences. Other hot teams include the Philadelphia 76'ers, Utah Jazz, and our own Portland Trailblazers.



Lady Cougars looking for a strong season next year

by Sherri Michaels

Staff Writer "Consistency was not there with the 5-18 season record for the Lady Cougars," according to coach Phil Garver.

"We were all young freshmen and couldn't get any leadership," said Garver. The team often lost with errors being the major factor in the outcome of the games.

They did scream past the Walla Walla scorers 67-39, with the help of Karla Tiano's 12 points. Other wins were Sand Mateo 55-47, Oympic 71-69, Umpqua 78-62, and WOSC JV 69-59.

They were "getting beat by about an average of 5 points," pointed out Garver with the major loss coming from the Sydney, Austrailia team. That was loss by 50 points, 88-38.

With returning players such as Tiano and Mitzi Finn they are "looking forward to a strong sophomore year."

Guard Karla Tiano turned out to be the Cougars' bright spot this season. Tiano averaged 13.5 points, hauled down 80 rebounds, and handed out 93 assists in 22 games. Center Mitzi Finn was next i the scoring column with a 9. average and a team high 215 m bounds in 23 games. Guard An na Schlegelmilch matche Finn's 9.1 point average an grabbed 81 rebounds of he own.

Bobbi Crensaw, a 5'11" for ward from Mill City, average 6.6 points and captured 96 re bounds. Guard Niki Bieswe averaged 5.8 points, claimed 4 rebounds, and dished out 3 assists.

"We're looking forward to a strong sophomore year.

Forward Angie Downey n ted 4.3 points per game, pull down 39 rebounds, and hand out 20 assists. As the team's o ly sophomore, Teri Boli averaged 3.3 points and grat ed 113 rebounds.

As a team, the Coug averaged 55 points, and pull down 842 rebounds, 285 these being offensiv Clackamas shot 37 percent fro the field and 59 percent fro the free throw line.



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