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## Wrestlers wind up successful season

The 1976-77 Clackamas Community College wrestling season was without a doubt the best in this school's short history.

The Cougars never once gave up in their quest for the national championship despite crippling injuries and sometimes seemingly unfair competition.

They began the season like champs recording easy wins over Umpqua and Mt. Hood, two of the tougher schools in the Northwest, and they were on their way.

Next came their own Clackamas Invitational tournament in which the Cougars literally ran from a strong 15 team field outscoring the second place team by nearly 30 points.

So complete was the domination, that the Cougars won fourthplace or higher in seven of the 10 weight classes. They had five wrestlers make the championship finals, with three winners.

The pattern changed very little over the next couple of weeks as the Cougars simply destroyed tough opponents from Umpqua, Lane, Willamette and a surprisingly easy victory over Mt. Hood, 44-0.

However, the scene changed drastically as the Cougars lost their first dual meet of the season to a stacked Oregon Ducks J.V. lineup, 26-15.

The Ducks, in an attempt to recover from a 33-9 trouncing at the hands of the University of Washington, sent five members of their varsity lineup to the meet and made the difference in an otherwise close contest.

Fortunately, the Cougars didn't stay down long as they put in the best performance of the year battling back to tie second ranked North Idaho in the final regular season North Idaho in the final regular season match.

At the state finals, the Cougars showed why they had ranked fifth all year as eight of ten wrestlers took individual state championships with Paul Schwehn and Brian Sigler taking second and third.

The Cougars ran up against tough competition in the regionals and only managed a third place finish despite the fact that they qualified eight men for the national championships.

In the nationals they suffered their first real disappointment of the season as they finished 13th with a 3rd place finish by Steve Morris and a 6th place finish by Joe Davis.

The Cougars' dual record of 15-1 was the best in the school's history. Their victory at state was their eighth straight and their victory margin of 55.5 was also a school record.

Of course, the 1976-77 Cougars would not have been a great team without great individual efforts.

Steve Morris, 142 pounds, was a prime example.

He finished the regular season with the second best record in the school's history at 30-1-1.

He took first in the Clackamas Invitational, state and regional competition in his weight class and was named the outstanding wrestler in the Clackamas and State tournaments. He also took third in the nationals and was named All-American for the season.

Paul Schwehn at 118, played a big role in many of the Cougar victories as he helped to set the tempo with his enthusiasm. His early season victory over Bill Anderson of Umpqua, who was previously unbeaten, earned Schwehn the Enterprise Courier Athlete of the Week award. He was also a second place finisher in the state competition and was recently named Scholar Athlete for the 1976-77 season.

Tom Zeigle at 126 pounds, was a vital part of the Cougar attack.

The team's top victory man at 34-7, Zeigle was also a state and regional champion and was named the team's most inspirational athlete.

Don Zellner at 134, played a key in Cougar post season success when he came back from an early two week absence to post a 21-5 record.

## Golfers tee off

The Clackamas Community College Golf team teed-off for their first match of the season last Friday, April first at the Arrowhead golf course.

Five teams were slated for the event, which despite the inclement weather, some hot shooting was still displayed. There was a four-way tie for medalist honors at five over par, 77.

The CCC squad placed fourth in the event tallying 333 points. Other team scores were: Lower Columbia 316, Central Oregon 321, Chemeketa 327 and Blue Mountain with 351 points.

Shawn Parkhurst and Gregg Stamatis led the Clackamas golfers with both players carding a 81 shot score, nine over par. Other Clackamas scoring ranged from 85 to 88 points.

Although this year's CCC golf team is comprised of all freshmen, the players aren't without prior tournament play experience. They have all played on high school golf teams with one of the team members, Shawn Parkhurst, placing eighth in state competition last year.

Next league action for the CCC golfers will be in Santiam tomorrow at one o'clock, with Chemeketa hosting.

Zellner was also a state champion but injury during national competition hurt the team's chances of a high finish.

Rocky Schneider at 158, termed by Coach Norm Berney as "one of the best men we have out there", was extremely strong down the home stretch as he posted a 22-10 record and was also a winner in his weight class in the state competition.

One of the strongest performances of the year was given in by Wayne Snoderly at 167.

Extremely versatile, Snoderly took first in both the Clackamas Invitational and state competition along with his 19-8 record.

Joe Davis, at 177 was one of the few bright spots for the Cougars at the national tournament at he gained a sixth place finish.

Undefeated for most of the year, Davis was still able to compile a 25-5-1 mark plus a state and regional championship.

Jeff Harmon at 190, showed why he's a veteran of national competition, as he came back strong from an early season injury to compile a 16-5 mark and a state championship.

Richard Holliman at HWT, was perhaps the Cougars' best clutch performer.

It was his victory over Gary Germundson in the waning seconds which gave the Cougars the tie with second ranked North Idaho.

Along with his 19-9-1 record, Holliman was the team leader in falls and a state champion.

Also putting in fine years for the Cougars were: scrappy Kenny Lumsden at 118, (12-6), Keith Ohta, 118 (11-11), Dan Wood, a fine competitor at 150 (18-4), Brian Segler, 150 (10-14) and Kim Roehl, 190 (14-4).

Also competing for the Cougars this year were; Ron Geister (8-7), Gary Hein (6-6), Mitch Warthen (4-7), Norm Sikes (4-2), and Randy Sullivan (1-9), whom Coach Norm Berney says has a lot of potential.

As for next year, it should be a good one. Most of the team will be back, with the exception of Paul Schwehn, Tom Zeigle, Steve Morris, and Jeff Harmon.


As Coach Norm Berney says, "This year was good, but next year should be even better."

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