

Softball snatches regional championships

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The last games of the Cougar softball regular season were played last Tuesday and Wednesday here on campus.

South Puget Sound was Clackamas' opponent on Tuesday and witnessed the Cougars sweeping the double-header by the scores of 9-0 and 1-0.

"It was one of our better de-

fensive days," said Paul Fiskum, coach of the Cougars, "we only allowed one error in 14 innings."

Linda Gross and Christy Tuma were the pitchers for the day and both recorded shutouts. Gross ran her record to 14 wins and 2 losses while Tuma went to 10 wins and no losses.

Game one was an offensive outburst for the Cougars, who scored 9 runs on 13 hits.



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Christy Tuma, above, pitches to her teammates during practice. At left, Corie Peck works on her batting. The Cougars are preparing for the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges championships this weekend.



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The biggest hit was a bases-loaded double by Tricia Soli, who received two RBI for her production.

"Game two was a classic pitchers duel," commented Fiskum. "Tuma threw a three-hit shutout and possibly her best game by recording seven strikeouts and not allowing a walk."

The Cougars only had four hits, but that proved enough for the 1-0 win.

The Cougars then readied themselves for their battle against

Green River on Wednesday.

Game one went to nine innings and showed the Cougars coming out on top 5-4.

The Cougars had seven hits by seven people to show the "terrific" balance on the team.

The Cougars went on to win the game in the ninth inning by having Launa Meck score on a well executed squeeze play.

The second game went to 12 innings before the Cougars lost only their third game of the season.

The score ended up 6-5 in favor of Green River after 21 innings were played that day.

"I believe that they wanted that win more than we did because they needed to win to clinch second place in the league," said Fiskum. "We [Cougars] worked hard and didn't take them lightly and wound up losing an excellent game."

Tuma threw all 12 innings and did an excellent job the whole game. The loss brought her record to 10-1.

Wimberly had excellent offensive control going 4 for 5 at the plate, 3 of which were bunts.

The Cougars now go on to the championship playoffs, which will be happening in Olympia May 24 and 25.

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Cougar softball season statistics

Name	Avg.	Hits	Runs	RBI		
Corie Peck	.408	40	24	19		
Julie Braman	.380	38	24	27		
K.C. Jones	.373	38	25	31		
Launa Meck	.364	44	42	27		
Christy Tuma	.357	35	22	22		
Julie Wimberly	.345	30	23	15		
Denise Miner	.342	38	24	26		
Shelly Spees	.330	29	21	23		
Jacque Romine	.264	19	18	11		
Kristin Freitas	.259	15	14	13		
Tricia Soli	.246	15	11	6		
Kenna Skinner	.231	12	9	5		
Team Totals	.336	353	258	225		
W-L IP R SO BB ERA						
Dawn Seastrom	9-0	66	12	21	11	0.74
Christy Tuma	10-1	83	19	35	22	0.76
Linda Gross	14-2	108	23	35	23	0.78
Team Totals	33-3	257	54	91	56	0.76