

Volleyball falls to Mount Hood in seeding match, takes second seed to Northwest tournament

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The Clackamas Volleyball team will play as the second seed in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges (NWAACC) this weekend after falling to Mount Hood Community College in three sets on Friday.

The Cougars got off to a slow start and were dominated at the net by the Saints in the tiebreaker match at Chemeketa CC. Mt. Hood defeated Clackamas 15-8, 15-10, 15-7.

Clackamas will play Thursday afternoon at 4:30 against Walla Walla CC at Mt. Hood CC.

A Cougars win on Thursday will match them against the Northern Region's #1 team, either Bellevue or Highline, in an 11:30 a.m. contest on Friday.

Southwestern Oregon CC will join Clackamas and Mt. Hood at the NWAACC Tournament as the third seed from the Southern Region.

The top three teams from each of the four regions in the Northwest, the north, south, east and west, reach the NWAACC Tournament.

The Cougars never seemed to get into their usual groove against Mt. Hood as Clackamas was unable to get their passes to the right spots.

"Our passing was off," said Clackamas Coach Kathie Woods. "We were not very focused. Physically, we didn't have it tonight."

I'm glad we were playing on Thursday," she added.

Cougar setter Kaite Holdorf and Casie Ireland were the bright spots for Clackamas.

"I thought Casie had a great game," Woods said. "Katie played well." Holdorf returned to action after sitting out a week because of illness. Ireland pounded the ball hard and found the holes in the Saints' tough defensive set.

Woods also gave credit to how the team played defense at certain points in the match.

"We had some excellent defensive plays," she said.

Clackamas was able to play with Mt. Hood during long volleys, but the Saints seemed to get the breaks they needed to take the match from the Cougars.

Clackamas will now prepare for a grueling test in their first Northwest tournament in 10



photo by Jon Roberts

Clackamas Volleyball Coach Kathie Woods talks to her team on Friday night in Salem.

years.

"Our mind set going into the championships is very good," said Clackamas Assistant Coach Brad Swayne. "The team's adrenalin is high going into our first match against Walla Walla."

Freshman defensive standout Misty Murray was named the Cougar Player of the Week.

"Misty has a good attitude in accepting her role as a defensive

specialist," Swayne said. "She has done an amazing job with it."

So far this season, Melanie Sharp leads the Cougars in kills and digs with 221 and 217, respectively.

Jennifer Walters leads the team with 75 blocks, while Casie Ireland is the serving aces leader with 38 and Katie Holdorf leads in assists with 411.

Sharp was recently selected

to the NWAACC Southern Region first team. Ireland and Walters were named to the second team, while Holdorf and Christine Younglove were honorable mention selections.

"I'm very proud of this team," said Clackamas Coach Kathie Woods. "I think they've worked real hard to get this far. They're a bunch of underrated athletes and I hope the best for them."

**Good luck to the
Clackamas CC
Volleyball
Team this weekend
at the Northwest
Championships**

**The Cougars play
their first match at
4:30 p.m. on
Thursday at Mt.
Hood CC in Gresham**

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Money doesn't run the National Football League, the spirit of competition and winning does. Yeah right, try selling that to Cleveland Browns' fans.

Art Modell, the owner of the Cleveland Browns, has announced his plans of moving the Browns from Cleveland to Baltimore, Maryland after the 1995-1996 season. The Cleveland Browns organization is supposedly more than \$50 million deep in debt, Modell claims that he has lost \$21 million over the last two years, alone.

If Cleveland moves, Baltimore has offered to pay a \$50 million "signing bonus" to cover Modell's debts. Modell also feels that the building of a new stadium in Baltimore is something the people of Cleveland cannot provide.

If Cleveland moves, it will be the third NFL team to pack up and leave its home town in two years. The Los Angeles Rams and the L.A. Raiders moved their franchises to St. Louis and Oakland, respectively.

So, what's the difference between Cleveland's move and the other teams' defections? Well, how about the abstract fact that the Browns are not really Modell's team, they're Cleveland's. Modell does not own the Browns body and soul, he only has the right to run the team for as long as he owns it and the team wants him to run it.

Modell can by all rights move the team, but the moment the

Browns leave, all of their history and past accomplishments vanish.

The Cleveland Browns' team that joined the NFL in 1950, moving from the All-American Football Conference (AAFC), after winning four straight AAFC championships, will vanish. Because Art Modell needs money.

The Cleveland Browns' team participated in six straight NFL championships, winning three of them. Hall of Fame Quarterback Otto Graham, who won more championship games than any QB in history will only be remembered as a Cleveland Brown.

Marion Motley, one of the greatest fullbacks in NFL history who ran and bruised other opponents all the way to the goal line, will not be a Brown. Because Art Modell needs money.

And when the Browns move to Baltimore, they will lose even their identity. Paul Brown, who owned, coached and named the Browns after himself, is part of Cleveland's history. So the Baltimore Browns should change their name.

Jim Brown, appropriately named the greatest player in the franchise's history, played in Cleveland and his soul will be in Cleveland's stadium, not Baltimore. All because Art Modell needs more money.

The Browns lose all this because the people who watched the Browns play, and struggle, were the people of Cleveland. The memory of the Browns lives with its fans, not in the money the Browns made.

History and accomplishments aren't considered great because of the number of greenbacks that were involved, because the fans acknowledge them. Financially, physically Modell's...emotionally, spiritually Cleveland's.

Cleveland fans are a class among themselves; they are almost a religious cult. 70,000 Cleveland fans fill Cleveland Stadium, even when the Browns are horrible, for over seven losing seasons. The Browns have the highest profiled, fanatic fans in the NFL, a group nicknamed "The Dawg Pound." This group of Browns' fans dress up as dogs, bones and all, and cheer the Browns at every home and away game. "The Dawg Pound" is as much a part of the Browns as money or Art Modell, or even more so.

Cleveland is like a lot of old time NFL cities. Great fans in small cities, and t.v. revenue and commercial endorsements make more money than fan revenue. What is happening in Cleveland may also happen with the teams in Chicago, Green Bay and Houston, cities who don't have enough money to keep their NFL teams happy.

They are all similar situations: owners that want more money. The owners have to have the money, but if they alienate the fans, they will not make money. If the NFL damages its image, it's just hurting itself.

Personal note to Art Modell: Money doesn't run the NFL, the owners do. Are you going to sell out your fans?