

Women's softball team starts week with 6 straight wins

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The Clackamas women's softball team scored six straight wins to start their week, ending up with only one loss against Lower Columbia Community College.

The Cougars launched their doubleheader against Green River on Tuesday with a different line up which included Brenda Ruppel. Ruppel, who's been sidelined with an injured elbow, suffered while sliding into third in a game against South Puget in early April had a hit on her first at bat.

Robin Lisak continues her winning streak on the mound. She granted Green River only 10 base hits. During the first inning, the Cougars scored five runs leaving the other team lagging behind with only one run. But Green River managed a come back during the fourth making the score 5-4, Cougars.

Clackamas' Robin Voil went 2-4, racking up two runs. Nicole Lindgren added two runs and two RBIs. Clackamas scored eight runs on eight hits.

"We made the plays when we

had to," Coach Paul Fiskum said about coming back with three runs to break away from Green River.

Still dazed from their first loss, Green River went down to defeat during the second game of the doubleheader, the Cougars handed them a loss of 8-4.

Gander pitched her seventh win, giving up seven hits. Clackamas made three errors in the first inning which allowed Green River to get one run up on them. But the 4-3 score would not last long.

The Cougars had at least one hit in every inning, getting eight runs on 15 hits. Denise Haselwood went 4-4 with two runs and three steals. Holly Lorenz and Kriss Demos added two RBIs apiece.

On Thursday Clackamas played Mt. Hood. This is Mt. Hood's first year in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges. Clackamas handed them a whopping 10-0 loss in five innings. Lisak's pitching allowed only one hit with four strike outs.

Ruppel routed the ball three

for three to produce two runs and 2 RBIs. Voil registered 3 RBIs on 2-3 hitting. The Cougars' 12 hits racked up 10 runs.

Clackamas ended the day by keeping Mt. Hood scoreless at 6-0 in the second game. Gander struck out three players, gave up no runs, and allowed only seven base hits. Mt. Hood stranded seven of their players on base.

The Cougars pumped out six runs on 11 base hits. Voil got 2 RBIs on 2-3 hitting. Seven of the nine Cougar batters had a hit in the game.

On Friday Clackamas played two games against South Puget Sound. The first game was won with a score of 5-1 and the second was 10-2.

Lisak held Puget Sound to four base hits, two in the first inning which allowed their only run of the game. Lisak also had 12 strike-outs, tying a school record for the most in any one game.

Voil went 3-4 with two runs and 1 RBI and Lisa Lindgren scored one run and 1 RBI for Clackamas.

Gander, who pitched game two, struck out three Puget bat-



ters, gave up one run, and had only one walk. Clackamas had no errors on defense.

The Cougars scored 10 runs on 15 hits. Lorenz ended the game in the fifth inning with a whopping two-run homer.

The Cougars' only loss for the week was a disappointing 6-2 against Lower Columbia on Sunday. Lisak got her first loss of the season. Lower Columbia was held scoreless except in the third inning when they got six runs on five base hits.

Clackamas beat Coos Bay on May 7, 8-6 with 5 runs on 5 hits in the first inning.

Clackamas is scheduled to play at home against Mt. Hood today at 3 p.m. They will be on the road Saturday against Coos Bay to end their regular season.

"We want a chance to heal up our bumps and bruises," said Fiskum about the break before the NWAACC championships.

The championships will be held in Spokane, Washington May 17-18.

Baseball team fights for first

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Last week the Cougars lost both games against Mt. Hood and split with Linn Benton.

Ryan Moore pitched the first five innings. Shortstop Cory Rooper went three for five, with three RBI's. Matt White went two for four with a double.

"In the second game we had trouble on the mound; we didn't pitch that well," said Head Coach Robin Robinson. Jason Gardner threw the last two innings and "did really well," continued Robinson.

The Cougars took one game of the double header against Linn Benton on Saturday. In the first game, Linn Benton won 6-3.

"We pitched pretty well in the fourth only giving up three runs," says Robinson. In the ninth the Cougars only gave up two runs. Linn Benton; is a pretty good team, they had six runs on twelve hits, commented Robinson. Cougar freshman Matt White had a triple in the sixth and knocked in two runs.

"In the second game, we came out swinging bats," stated Robinson. Jeremy Hubbard had a double in the first inning scoring two runs. Jeremy Mann had a solo home run. Chris Schilling went two for two at the plate, scoring two, and stealing two bases. Hubbard had two hits that were both doubles. White had a single in the fifth inning scoring two. Jason Mann and Jeff Boen both went two for three. The final score was 8-2, Clackamas.

"We're in second place now, still in the hunt for first. We seem to be hitting better, and have a good opportunity of getting there," said Robinson.

The Cougar's next game will be a makeup game against Linfield on Thursday at 3 p.m., and Saturday in Salem against Chemeketa.



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Clackamas Baseball players practice for their May 7 game.

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Matches will be two out of three sets; they will be scored on a no-advantage basis and a 12-point tie breaker will decide sets tied at 6-6.

The United States Tennis Association rules will govern play during the tournament.

Matches and times are as follows: First and second-round matches will be played Saturday, May 18, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Third and fourth-round matches will be played Sunday, May 19, 10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. First-round match times will be available Thursday, May 16, between noon and 4 p.m. by calling 657-6958 ext. 2298.

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