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Clackamas Community College

Volleyball team wins first NWAACC championship

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The Cougars won the Northwestern Athletic Association of Community College's championships this past weekend and earned Best Coach and All-Tournament honors.

"The quality of the girls... no one deserves it (the championship) more," said Head Coach Kathie Woods.

Clackamas finished the season with a five-game match record of 22-0.

"Only one team can do that in a season. I am happy that we are that one team," said Woods.

The Cougars went into the tournament ranked second behind the Community Colleges of Spokane in the coaches' poll. Clackamas beat Yakima (ranked #3), Highline and Spokane during the three-day tournament.

"This was the high of the season. We rose to the occasion," said Woods. "They played with total focus and dis-



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The Cougar volleyball team celebrates winning the NWAACC Tournament.

cipline. The win was a total team effort."

Three players earned all-tournament honors and Coach of the Tournament went to Woods.

Misti-Kae Filley was

named Most Valuable Player for leading Clackamas to the championship. Shannon Segerstrom was named to First-Team all Tournament and Chris Younglove was on the second team all Tournament.

Clackamas finished the tournament with their second win over Spokane 15-5, 15-1, 17-15.

Clackamas started the match with an 8-1 run.

The 15-1 score in the second game was the largest margin of victory in the best of five matches for Clackamas this year.

In the third and final match, neither team was able to break open a lead; the largest lead was four points.

Filley gave Clackamas a 7-6 lead. This eventually ran to the largest lead of the night (11-7), and Spokane never led after that.

However, Spokane tied the game at 14 and 15, which caused the game to go into extra points. (A two-point margin must be gained for a win.)

The score was stuck at 16-15. After the two teams traded kills for about ten minutes with neither team able to get two in a row for a point Clackamas was

able to get the win.. Woods noted that one of their goals had been to beat Spokane in three games.

On Friday morning Clackamas started the tournament against third-ranked Yakima Valley Community College (15-11, 15-13, 15-9). (Clackamas did not play Thursday because the number one team from each league skipped the first round of play).

"It was so inspirational. We played against Yakima just fantastic. We beat them in three. Yakima is a top notch team. We really played team ball," said Woods.

Filley led the team with 15 kills on 34.9-percent hitting and 30 digs. Segerstrom passed the ball well, leading the team with 29 assists and 16 digs. Mattye Walsworth came in and had 35 digs and three block assists. Iverson had two service aces in and 20 digs.

"Stacey Iverson had a really solid game along with Jennifer Dostert. Jenn Dosen really picked up her game," said Woods.

Clackamas held Highline to

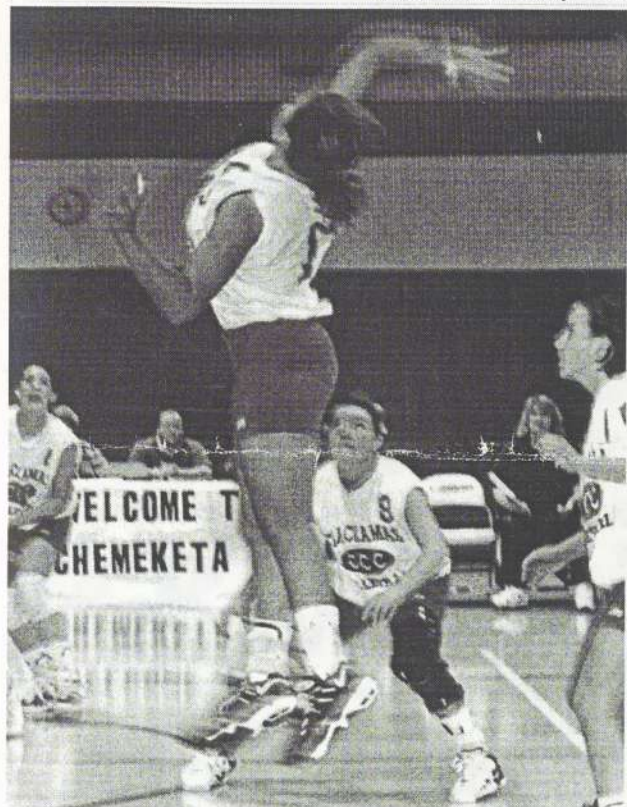


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Clackamas finished perfect in five-game matches, 22-0.

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