

Clackamas rolls as Nix sparks offense

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The Clackamas Women's Basketball Team is back to their winning ways.

After dropping their first two games of the regular season, the Cougars have won four straight, highlighted by a tremendous win over formerly top-ranked Chemeketa Community College.

In Clackamas' past two games, the women have poured in a total of 187 points while only allowing their opponents to 95 total points.

The Cougar rout began last Wednesday as Clackamas traveled to Portland Community College. Freshman Robbie Nix led all scorers with 28 points as the Cougars enjoyed a 45-18 half-time lead.

The Panthers, who have only six players on their squad, turned the ball over 38 times, leading to 43 Cougar points from turnovers. Four other players scored in double figures: Freshmen Michelle McKinney (14), Melissa Hollenbeck (13), and Sophomores Clair Cox (13) and Lisa Sorenson (10). The Cougars won the game 97-38.

Clackamas continued to roll against Lane this past Saturday, winning at LCC 90-57. The Cougars were paced by Nix's 26 points and Hollenbeck's 22. Lisa Sorenson shot 50 percent (4-8) from beyond the three-point line

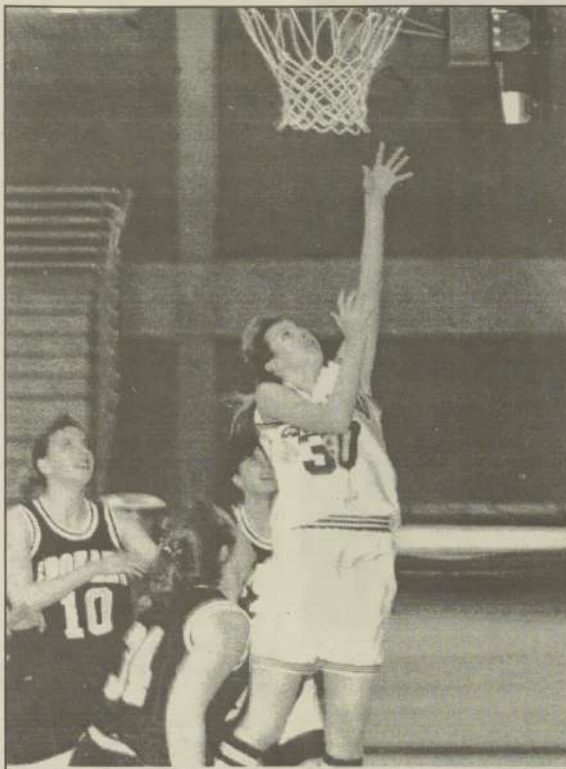


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Strong play by Clackamas players like Michelle Mickinney has led to a four game winning streak.

and had a total of 16 points. Freshman Lauren Mohan continued her return to the lineup, finishing the game with three points, seven assists and seven steals.

The Cougars' next action is tonight against the Saints of Mt. Hood

Community College at Mt. Hood. The women's next home action is Saturday night against the Umpqua Timberwomen.

(Note: Clackamas Head Coach Karen Twain was unavailable for comment.)

Clackamas falls short, slumps to .500 mark

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The Cougars lost two close games last week falling to 3-3 this season.

Clackamas started the week with a 103-97 loss to the Portland Panthers after scoring 67 points in the second half.

The Cougars got 24 points off three-pointers, 8-23.

Five Clackamas players scored in double figures. Oscar Rodriguez had 12 points and five assists. Antwain Williams and Clint Hordemann both had 23 points to lead the team. Williams added 10 rebounds, including four

on offense.

The game went down to the wire, with Clackamas losing 103-97 to Lane.

The Cougars struggled from the floor in the first half, shooting 37.9-percent, but picked up the pace in the second. They finished 25-59, 42.4 percent for the game.

Leif Spencer led three Cougars in double figures with 19 points and six rebounds. Gabe McCune and Hordemann added 15 and 10, respectively.

Clackamas will travel to Lane Community College tonight. Saturday the Cougars will host Umpqua.



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The Cougars will travel to Lane tonight with hopes of breaking their three game losing streak.

Cougar Sidelines

The Clackamas Cheerleaders will hold a youth clinic in the Randall Gymnasium, Feb. 22 from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Children will be divided by age and taught both a cheer and dance. Later that evening, the cheer clinic participants and cheerleaders will perform during half-time at the men's basketball game against Lane at 8 p.m.

Registration for the clinic begins at 9:30 a.m. at the door.

MEN'S BASKETBALL		1996-97  Cougar Calendar	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL	
Home			Home	
2/1	Umpqua 8 p.m.	WRESTLING	2/1	Umpqua 6 p.m.
2/8	SWOCC 8 p.m.		2/8	SWOCC 6 p.m.
2/12	Portland 8 p.m.		2/12	Portland 6 p.m.
2/19	Mt. Hood 8 p.m.		2/19	Mt. Hood 6 p.m.
2/22	Lane 8 p.m.		2/22	Lane 6 p.m.
Away			Away	
1/29	Mt. Hood 8 p.m.		1/29	Mt. Hood 6 p.m.
2/5	Chemeketa 8 p.m.		2/5	Chemeketa 6 p.m.
2/15	Linn-Benton 8 p.m.		2/15	Linn-Benton 6 p.m.
			2/15 Region 18 Championships at Clackamas, all day.	
		2/28-3/1 NJCAA National Championships in Bismark, N.D., all day.		

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