

Cougar Sidelines

Mike Hodges; Coach of the Year

Mike Hodges, head track and cross country coach at Clackamas, received the 1996 Coach of the Year award Sunday, at an awards breakfast in Seattle, Wash. The Northwestern Athletic Association of Community Colleges (NWAACC) gives the award that covers all sports.

Hodges was recognized for the following accomplishments: 32 years as a education coach -- 1964-96

Athletic director for SWOCC NWAACC commissioner several times

22 NWAACC championships 11 Coach of the Year awards Coached 20 All American Athletes

17 Southern Region Coach of the Year awards

1988 Olympic coach for the Sudan (track)

Track Results- Bill Cosby Invitational

Saturday the track team traveled to Reno, Nev.

Kendal White placed fifth (23.4). White's time was the tenth best in school history. Jennifer Rey placed 7th in the mile (5 min. 43.88s) and Jenny Newell placed ninth (5 min. 47.42s).

Mychal Trawick placed first in the 400m (50.33s). Travis Armstrong placed third in the mile (4 min. 30.30s) and Andy Bradley placed fifth (4 min. 30.39s).

The throwers will travel to the McDonald's Indoor Meet in Moscow, Idaho and the rest of the team will participate in the Portland Indoor on Saturday.

Facility availability

Clackamas athletic facilities are open for general use and reservations.

Most outdoor areas are free for drop-ins. However, reservations are required for the varsity baseball and softball fields. The other two fields are available for general use. The soccer field is open, but reservations are recommended because the field is usually taken on weekends and evenings.

The track is a quarter mile around; and the jogging trail is approximately 2.3 miles long, depending on the route taken.

To reserve a facility contact Wayne Logemann at ext. 2298. Groups wishing to use an area on a regular basis may be able to get a discount.

Reservation costs:

Softball field	\$ 5
Gym	\$15
Soccer Field	\$ 3
Dance Room	\$ 3
Tennis Court	\$ 3
Track	\$10

(Note: Above costs are hourly)

Weight room schedule:

MWF	12-1, 3-8
T, Th	12:30-1:30

Gym schedule:

The Randall Gymnasium is open for walk-ins from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. One court is available for volleyball and the other is used for a full court basketball game.

Cougars defend territory

John Thorburn
Assistant Sports Editor

The Clackamas Women's Basketball Team is in third place after completing their long stretch of competition against stellar programs.

The Cougars traveled to Salem last Wednesday to face Chemeketa Community College. The game looked promising as Clackamas had already defeated the then-top ranked Chiefs a month ago. As play began, however, the tables were turned on the women. They appeared sluggish in the first half and lost the game 89-84.

"We gave up 50 points in the first half," said Assistant Coach Trev Kiser. "But we were able to cut the lead to 11 at half time."

The second half though, seemed to be a bit more comfortable for the Cougars.

"We took the lead at one point," said Kiser. "Our defense played awesome in the second [half] which allowed us to get back into the game. The first half really killed us though. We have to play 40 minutes of defense every night."

Coach Kiser also noted

things would have ended differently for Clackamas if it was not for the defensive breakdowns suffered in the first 20 minutes.

"Our postmen were all fouling out," said Kiser. "We got into foul trouble in the first half because we weren't rotating right on defense. If we had those players in the last minutes, we would have won the game."

The Cougars faced Southwestern Oregon Community College (SWOCC) earlier this season, missing their starting point guard Lauren Mohan due to illness and Shelly Mitchell from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. The result was a disappointing loss at the hands of the Lakers.

This past Saturday's contest, however, was a horse of a different color. The women were in full force, playing with everyone relatively healthy.

As time expired on SWOCC, the Cougars celebrated a 75-59 victory. Freshman Melissa Hollenbeck led a balanced scoring attack with 16 points and nine rebounds while Sophomore Clair Cox accomplished a double-double with 15 points and 12 rebounds. The real surprise, however, was the play by Freshman Shara Bormuth coming off the bench. She finished the game with eight points and eight rebounds.

"Shara had a great game," noted Kiser. "Cox and Hollenbeck have been real consistent for us all season, but Shara had six boards [rebounds] at halftime. That's the best she's played all year. If she puts those numbers



Photo by John Thorburn

Sophomore Lisa Sorenson's defense ignited the Clackamas offense with seven steals against the Lakers on Saturday.

up for us every night, she can definitely be used more often."

Coach Kiser looked at the Cougars' victory over the Lakers as a stepping stone for the playoffs that lay ahead.

"Saturday's game was a great team effort," said Kiser. "A team like SWOCC usually gets 70 or 80 points a game. To hold them to 28 points in the first half -that's just great defense. When we get the

ball back on defense, it's just 'go'. If we do that then we're real explosive and we'll put a lot of points on the board. We have to improve though. If we make it to the NWAACC tournament, our defense has to be stellar."

"When you're playing three games in three nights, chances are you're going to have an off night shooting. That's when the defense has to step up," he concluded.

Clackamas faces Panthers in cat fight

Brendon Neal
Sports Editor

Clackamas is tied for third place in the southern division after beating Southwestern Oregon Community College 94-75.

The Cougars shot a sizzling 57 percent from the field.

"We were down in the first six to eight minutes, but we came back and played a very good game," said Head Coach Royce Kiser.

Clackamas shot well from the free throw line, hitting 18 of 23.

"We played a more consistent game, and we hit our free throws in the second half," said Kiser.

Three Cougars had double doubles. Clint Hordemann was three assists short of a triple double with 17 points and 12 rebounds. Leif Spencer had 16 points on six of seven shooting from inside the arc and 10 rebounds. Brian Hay had 14 points and a team high of 11 assists.

On Wednesday, Clackamas lost in the closing seconds against Chemeketa 73-72.

"We played a good ball game. We had the last shot [to take the lead], but we missed it. Either team could have won," said Kiser.

Antwain Williams led the Cougars with 18 points and seven rebounds. Clint Hordemann added 13 points and eight rebounds.

Kiser noted the point guards have stepped up the perimeter defense, but he wants the post players to also step up their defense.

The Cougars will face the Portland Community College Panthers tonight in Randall Gymnasium at 8 p.m.

"They [Portland] are the hottest team in the league right now. Their win over us wasn't just a fluke, they are a good team this year," said Kiser.



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Freshman Antwain Williams soared above SWOCC's Mark Giles and the Lakers on Saturday. Williams finished the game with 14 points and four block shots

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