

Track team takes off

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Clackamas track team began a promising outdoor season at the University of Washington Open with several athletes placing in the top ten.

The team competed in their first outdoor meet on Saturday at the University of Washington in Seattle.

It was a nonscoring meet, but athletes were able to set qualifying marks for the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges (NWAACC).

"We have strong men's and women's teams," said Track Coach Mike Hodges.

In the hammer throw, sophomore Shawn Davis placed third with a qualifying mark of 175' 5". In eighth place, freshman Aaron Stacey threw 121' 8" and freshman Brinnon Tyler threw 115' 10" for ninth place.

Stacey placed seventh in the shot put at 44' 3.5". In eighth place was sophomore Scott Hein at 173' 3".

Freshman Heath Fisher placed third in the javelin event with a distance of 183' 7". The throw earned him a qualifying mark and tenth place on Clackamas' "All Time" list.

In the 1500-meter run, sophomore Travis Armstrong placed second and achieved a qualifying mark with a time of 4:02.9.

Close behind, freshman Andy Bradley placed fifth with a time of 4:05.9. Sophomore Evan Goin did not place but did set a personal record of 4:15.9.

In the 400-meter dash freshman Mychal Trawick placed second at 49.99 seconds. Sophomore Kasey Johnson placed sixth in the 800-meter run and achieved a time of 2:01.26. Freshman

David Lee finished in tenth place with a time of 2:03.4.

In the 400-meter hurdles event freshman Andrew Evansen placed sixth with a time of 58.77 seconds.

Sophomore Bill Jones cleared 16 feet and earned a qualifying mark in the pole vault event.

With a distance of 15' 1.75", sophomore Eli Townsend set a personal record.

The women's team also did well at the meet.

In the discus event sophomore Kristi Chamberlin placed third with a distance of 121' 10". Her time ties her for eighth place on the "All Time" list.

Freshman Nateisha Flanigan placed seventh in the shot put event with a distance of 35' 5.25".

In the 1,500 meter, freshman Jennifer Rea placed fifth at 5:09.06. Sophomore Jenny Newell was close behind her at 5:14.26.

Freshman Kendel White achieved her qualifying mark and fifth place in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:25.24.

In the second heat of the 100-meter dash freshman Michelle Wimberley placed first at 13.2 seconds. In second place was freshman Lareina Cota with 13.5 seconds.

"I was pleased with the way we performed for our first outdoor meet, particularly considering the weather was horrible," remarked Hodges.

This weekend Clackamas will compete, with up to 25 other colleges, in the "Linfield Icebreaker."

"We definitely have a goal to finish in the top three in the Northwest for both teams," shared Hodges.



Track Schedule

Sat. 3/8	Linfield Icebreaker	McMinnville
Fri. 3/14	Western Oregon	Monmouth
Sat. 3/22	Spring Break	Everett, WA
	Tri-Cities Invite	Pasco, WA
3/24-25	Linn Benton	Albany
	Hep/Decathlon	
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Clackamas' hopes fall short as Saints rally

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The Cougars finished the season third in the Southern Region.

Last Wednesday, Clackamas' season finished after losing to red hot Mt. Hood 68-66 in the regional playoffs.

Clackamas went on a 18-4 run to give them a 21-20 lead after being down 16-3 with 6:25 to go in the first half. Clackamas was able to grab a 34-31 lead at half time, but was outscored 37-32 in the second half.

Clint Hordemann led the team with 22 points and nine rebounds, but was one of only two Cougars in double figures. Gabe McCune added 10 points.

"Gabe McCune has improved defense dramatically," said Kiser.

Brian Hay hit several key shots, including a three pointer to bring the Cougars within one point, 20-19 during the run.

Hordemann and Oscar Rodriguez got a steal that gave Clackamas the chance to take their last lead of the game, 66-65, with 30.1 seconds to go. The Cougars had several chances to tie in the closing seconds, but they had a couple of untimely turnovers and missed shots.

"It isn't just the turnovers. When we did get the ball through [down court], we didn't score. Down the stretch we didn't play as well as we could have," said Head Coach Royce Kiser.

Mt. Hood is currently on a roll and beat Chemeketa for first place in the Southern Region.

"Mt. Hood just beat the daylights out of Chemeketa at Chemeketa. Right now Mt. Hood is the best team in the league," noted Kiser.

Clackamas has struggled on



Photo by Brendon Neal

Oscar Rodriguez and the Cougars finished their season with an 19-11 overall record.

the boards this season. The Cougars are listed as all guards and freshman Keith Gold, 6'8", is the only player over 6'5".

The Saints edged Clackamas 40-33 on the boards, including seven more offensive rebounds.

"We played fairly good ball against Mt. Hood, but we were just too small. Mt. Hood got their third and fourth shots and that is the only reason they beat us," said Kiser. "Mt. Hood is a tough team for us to play against because of the match ups. It was hard for us to match up with their guards and their center."

The Cougars are a young team with five freshman.

"What happens to young players is they wear down. Sophomores don't wear down,

but sometimes they [freshman] towards the end of the year. That is probably part of what happened to us [in the Mt. Hood game]," said Kiser.

Clackamas lost several players early on because of grades and starting forward Leif Spencer recently left the team. The Cougars finished the season with only seven players and won three of their last four games.

"The kids, when we got down to seven, they tried really hard and played some good defense. I give my hat off to them. When I watched the games I could see us play really good defense, but the offensive rebounds hurt us," noted Kiser.

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