

Cougar Sidelines

Volleyball team holds raffle

The Clackamas volleyball team is holding a \$1 raffle.

Prizes include a weekend in Sunriver for up to six people, a gift certificate for Applebees' restaurant and more. Proceeds support the team.

Tickets may be purchased from volleyball players or by contacting Coach Kathie Woods at ext. 2418.

The drawing will be held Tuesday, May 13 at 12:30 p.m. in Randall Gym.

Racquetball exchange

Clackamas is hosting this term's racquetball tournament at the Eastside Athletic Club (off McGloughlin in Milwaukie).

All Clackamas students, faculty and staff are welcome. Chemeketa and Mt. Hood will participate in the tournament as well.

There is no cost for entry, but space is limited. Deadline for entry is Wednesday, May 28.

"People should participate if they want to have fun and meet new friends," said Racquetball Coach Kathie Woods.

For more information contact Woods at ext. 2418.

Late comeback keeps streak alive



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Clackamas avenged their only losses of the season last week sweeping Mt. Hood, Lower Columbia and Centralia.

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The Cougars were able to win six straight last week, getting over some bumps along the way.

"A lot is going well. We are playing tough, confident softball," said Head Coach Paul Fiskum.

This week Clackamas faced three teams they had lost to earlier in the season.

"To win six in a row against that competition, that is great work," said Fiskum.

Clackamas is currently in first place in the Southwest Division with a 14-3 league record after winning 13 straight. Clackamas is also in second place in Northwestern Athletic Association of Community Colleges, only trailing Spokane. Last spring Clackamas beat Spokane twice in the NWAACC championship tournament.

The Cougars beat second place Lower Columbia on Friday (4-2).

After falling behind 1-0, Clackamas had five straight base hits in the third, giving them a three point lead.

Megan Thompson helped Clackamas take the lead with two RBIs, knocking in Kelly Comstock and Jackie Obrust. Obrust and Comstock went 4-6 on the day and accounted for three of the team's four runs.

Robin Lisak has had a strong year on the mound with a record of 9-3.

"Robin threw so well. She was in control all the way. Lower Columbia is one of the best hitting teams in the league and she only gave up seven hits," said Fiskum.

Clackamas came back from a 7-0 deficit inning on Friday with Lower Columbia to win 8-7.

"Coming back is a quality we have recognized in us since spring break," said Fiskum.

Comstock took the mound in the third inning and pitched a shut out.

"The pitching will be forgotten, but Kelly was a big part of the comeback," said Fiskum.

Obrust had two RBIs and a run on two of five hits. Joell Whitton added two runs.

Nicole Lindgren had three RBIs and three runs, including triples in the fifth and sixth innings.

"It was one of the more dramatic comebacks I've seen," said Fiskum. "We have had different people step up. Nicole [Lindgren] was the hit star. She had a triple in the fifth and sixth."

"We will remember that one for a

long time," said Fiskum. "We didn't give them any errors. Lower Columbia hit the cover off the ball to get the lead."

After the come back victory the day before, Clackamas came out flat against Centralia but won 4-1.

"We played OK, but we let down after Friday's win," said Fiskum.

Clackamas scored three runs and got all but two of their base hits in the third. Obrust had a strong game with an RBI and a run on two for three hitting. Lisak kept the Cougars in the game, striking out eight Trailblazers and allowing no earned runs.

Clackamas slipped past Centralia in the second game (5-3), jumping out to a 2-0 lead, but let them hang around. The Cougars had nine hits, a hit in all but one inning, but often left runners stranded on base.

Comstock had the hot bat with three doubles on perfect hitting and gave up only singles on the mound.

"Kelly was more of a hitter than pitcher when we recruited her. She is a workhorse. She can go and go," said Fiskum.

Thompson went one for three but had two runs and two RBIs in the crucial third inning.

Clackamas showed more energy Sunday, beating Mt. Hood 11-2. The game was moved to Hood River High School because of rain.

We talked about not being as inspired [Saturday] and wanted to come out with more enthusiasm," said Fiskum.

Clackamas jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first but gave up two runs on an error in the second inning.

"Robin threw very well. It is a shame we gave up an error. She would have got out of the inning with a shut out," said Fiskum.

Comstock went three for five and had three runs. Laurie Nielson added a run and two RBIs in the seventh. The Cougars had six straight runs scored in the last inning.

"We tend to score runs in bunches," noted Fiskum.

Clackamas beat the Saints 5-3 in the second game.

Dawn Davis went three for four with two doubles and had two RBIs. Clackamas had ten base hits with a batting average of .344. Davis leads the team with a batting average of .425.

"We have ten more games," said Fiskum. "We don't worry about numbers [winning streaks]. We just take it one pitch at a time."

Clackamas faces South Puget Sound tomorrow at home.

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