

Holm tosses no-hitter

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Cougar softball went 4-0 last week, stomping South Puget Sound and Grays Harbor, boosting them into second place in the NWAACC's Southern Division.

"We played excellent," said Head Coach Paul Fiskum. "Our defense was great and our pitching was outstanding."

The Cougars dominated over South Puget Sound last Tuesday with scores of 9-0 and 10-2. One hit and two errors were allowed by Clackamas in the first game and three hits and three errors in the second.

"We can't expect better throwing than we got," said Fiskum of the pitching in the games. "We are excited about where we are."

Pitcher Vanessa Holm, chosen player of the week, allowed one hit,

had five strikeouts and no walks in game one. Casey Lapp allowed two hits, had five strikeouts and gave up two walks in game two.

Not only was the pitching good Tuesday, the bats were on fire; Cheristy Hargrave went two for three at the plate, hitting a single, triple and driving in three runs and hitting a home run in game two.

Melissa Borde hit three for three in game one and two for three in game two. Tiffany Lepschat hit three for four with a single and two doubles in game two.

"We swept them last week," said Borde. "We played well defensively and in hitting."

In Wednesday's game against Grays Harbor, the Cougars dominated again with scores of 11-2 and 14-0.

The Cougars were hot defensively as well, having an almost perfect game less one error in game

two. Holm pitched a no-hitter with three strikeouts and no walks in game two.

"We had some people doing some great things," said Fiskum.

In game one, Lapp pitched one hit, nine strikeouts and no walks in the first five innings. Darbey Neun pitched the last two innings having one hit, three strikeouts and one walk.

Leading hitters in the two games include Hargrave, who hit a home run; Nikky Staley, who hit a grand slam and drove in seven runs; and Kira Reed went two for two.

With the rain over the weekend, Saturday and Sunday games were cancelled, allowing the team to rest.

"We have a tough week ahead," said Fiskum. "It should be a fun week; I think we are ready for it."

The Cougars play at home against Mt. Hood today and at Chemeketa on Friday.



Clackamas hitter Lisa Hickman gets ready to knock out another base hit for the Cougars against Grays Harbor. The Cougars won both ends of a doubleheader by scores of 11-2 and 14-0.

Holm named Softball Player of the Week



Pitcher Vanessa Holm was chosen as this week's player of the week. Holm threw a no-hitter on Wednesday against Grays Harbor.

On Tuesday against South Puget Sound, she allowed one hit,

had five strikeouts, and no walks.

"She had an outstanding two games of pitching," said Head Coach Paul Fiskum.

Holm is a freshman at Clackamas and is a graduate of Willamina High School.

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NWAACC Softball Standings

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Southern Division	League	Overall
Lower Columbia	15-4	25-5
Clackamas	14-4	18-7
Chemeketa	16-5	24-6
Mt. Hood	12-6	16-10
Centralia	11-9	11-16
SW Oregon	12-10	17-12
Pierce	3-14	3-19
South Puget Sound	3-17	5-25
Grays Harbor	0-17	0-23

COUGAR SOFTBALL UPCOMING GAMES

Friday, May 4	Chemeketa	Away	2 p.m.
Tuesday, May 8	SWOCC	Away	3 p.m.
Friday, May 11	Centralia	Home	3 p.m.
Saturday, May 12	Pierce	Home	4 p.m.
Saturday, May 19/Sunday, May 20 NWAACC Tournament, Delta Park, Portland Times to be Announced			