

What's Goin' On?

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Major League Baseball is gearing up for the 2001 playoffs, with the Mariners tying the 1906 Cubs with the most wins ever, at 116. Rickey Henderson reached the 3,000 hit mark and Cal Ripken Jr. and Tony Gwynn played their last games, as they head off into the sunset and eventually the Hall of Fame. Barry Bonds surpassed Mark McGwire's home run record by three, proving that the good guy doesn't always win.

- MLB2001 Playoffs**
- AL**
 - Mariners vs. Indians
 - Yankees vs. Athletics
 - NL**
 - Cardinals vs. Diamondbacks
 - Astros vs. Braves

The match-ups for the playoffs have the Mariners facing the Cleveland Indians, New York Yankees against the Oakland Athletics, the Houston Astros meeting Atlanta and the St. Louis Cardinals versus the Arizona Diamondbacks. Obviously the favorites to be in the World Series are the Mariners, with the National League being a wide-open field.

The National Hockey League's 2001-2002 season is underway, and *Sports Illustrated* offers these pre-season rankings: 1) Detroit Red Wings 2) Philadelphia Flyers 3) Colorado Avalanche 4) Dallas Stars. The only thing this proves is that Detroit will not be hoisting the Stanley Cup in the spring, thanks to the *SI* curse.

Speaking of Oregon State, the Beavers fell to 1-3 after another humiliating loss at Washington State. The University of Oregon, meanwhile, is ranked number 5 in the AP poll, leaving them with a chance to claim the national championship in January.

Continuing with football, the St. Louis Rams are once again at the top of the NFL, being the only undefeated team left in the league. Some surprises so far: The San Diego Chargers and Cleveland Browns are sitting atop their divisions, while the Tennessee Titans rest at the bottom of theirs. The Seattle Seahawks have managed to play four games and remain at .500, and the Oakland Raiders are tied with San Diego for first in the AFC West at 3-1.

The NBA, which is currently in the midst of preseason basketball, is about to begin its 2001-2002 season. You must not be breathing if you do not know that Michael Jordan is coming out of retirement...again. The Trail Blazers have a new coach, Maurice Cheeks, but we have no word yet if he brought a pacifier or jail bond money for his team. *Espn.com* has the Blazers ranked tenth in the league, with the Lakers receiving the number one spot.



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Jeannette Lee is attempting a spike against the Cougars' foe.

Cougars Clawing Back

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As the 15-9 record reflects, the Cougar's volleyball team has seen its ups and downs in the first half of the year. The season began on a down slope, but in recent times the Cougars have turned up their play and found their identity as a team. In league play the Cougars are just 3-5, but the team still has a chance to make it to the Northwest Athletic Association of Community College Championships at the end of the season.

The preseason for the Cougars was very beneficial, yet as season play began the team faltered. Clackamas is returning only five players from last year, leaving the majority of the team as freshmen. Yet behind the leadership of Coach Kathie Woods, team captains Sarah Entenman, Julie Dancer and Amy Klusman, the team seems to have found its niche. Two of the teams that Clackamas lost to in the first half of the season have fallen prey to the Cougars' attack the second time around.

If the Cougars can make the NWAACC Championships, it will be for the seventh year in a row, a feat never accomplished by any

Oregon community college. The road to the championships is not proving to be easy, but Coach Woods remains confident in her team's ability.

"I really believe in this team. We have the talent and the chemistry to make it work," said Woods.

Getting to the NWAACC Championships is the Cougars' long term goal for this season.

Their primary objective remains as bringing home the trophy at the end of the year. But due to their early-season problems the team must

first qualify to make the trip to the championships.

Despite their early fluctuations, the Cougars have shown Woods a determination to overcome their failures, gaining the admiration of their coach

"I respect each one of them," Woods exalted.

At the beginning of the year Coach Woods gave her team a quote: "Obstacles are what you see when you take your eyes off the goal." It seems that the Cougars are finally focused on what they desire: an unprecedented seventh straight appearance at the NWAACC Championships.

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Kathie Woods
Head Volleyball Coach

Athletes of the Week



Misty Bernhardt

Misty was chosen as co-player of the week for the Cougars volleyball team because of her intense desire to see her team succeed. She is a great inspiration for her teammates on and off the court.



Lori Free

Along with being named co-player of the week for the Cougars, Lori was also given the distinction of NWAACC Southern Region Offensive Player of the Week. Lori has an intense focus on her team's goals and the discipline to accomplish them.

2001 Cougar Volleyball Roster

No.	Name	Yr.	Position	High School
1	Abby Pond	Fr.	DS	Vernonia
2	Karen Anderson	Fr.	OH	Lakeridge
3	Julie Dancer	So.	S/OH	Roseburg
4	Lori Free	Fr.	OH	Oregon City
5	Misty Bernhardt	So.	MB/OH	Eagle Point
6	Raine Miller	Fr.	OH	Naselle(WA)
7	Amy Klusmann	So.	DS/S	N. Clck. Chr
8	Ellie Raines	Fr.	MB	Canby
9	Sarah Entenman	So.	S/OH	Oregon City
10	Corinne Lawrence	So.	RS/OH	LaSalle
11	Krystal Schneider	Fr.	MB/OH	Warrenton
12	Lan Evers	Fr.	OH	Benson
13	Jeannette Lee	Fr.	MB	Mt.View(OH)

HEAD COACH: Kathie Woods
 ASSISTANT COACH: Casie Hulden
 ASSISTANT COACH: Curtis Arrayan
 ASSISTANT COACH/STATS: Neal Leland
 STATISTICIAN: Julie Heitzler

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