

Volleyball wins Treasure Valley tournament

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Clackamas volleyball continued their winning ways by placing first at the Treasure Valley Crossover Tournament in Ontario, Oregon. The Cougars only had eight players available for the weekend, but the girls pulled together to win the tourney.

"Overall, there was not a strong pool of teams; we were picked to win and we did," said Head Coach Kathie Woods. "Sometimes it's hard to stay consistent when teams aren't challenging you."

On Saturday, Nov. 1 the Cougars played two tournament games. They defeated Treasure Valley by scores of 30-13, 30-14 and 30-19. They went on to face Tacoma CC in the championship game.

The Cougars defeated Tacoma by scores of 30-22, 27-30, 30-13 and 30-16. Clackamas also defeat-

ed Tacoma, Treasure Valley, Shoreline CC, and Blue Mountain CC the previous day during pool play.

Tacoma placed second in the tournament followed by Treasure Valley, Blue Mountain and Shoreline. From Clackamas, Lindsay Schiely and Tara Andrews were selected to the All-Tournament Team. Schiely had 89 kills in 20 tournament games. Andrews had 52 digs in 20 tournament games.

"We played really well together as a team," said Woods. "We stayed intense and focused the entire tournament; I was really pleased with that."

On Oct. 29, the Cougars traveled to Salem to play against Chemeketa CC. The Cougars outplayed Chemeketa and won by scores of 30-22, 26-30, 30-25, and 30-26. Ashley Cadotte had 17 kills, followed by Schiely with 13 kills. Justine Rhodes had eight

kills. Andrews had 47 assists.

"This was not that pretty of a match. It was a win, but neither team played well," said Woods.

The Cougars are ranked number one in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges' (NWAACC) Coaches' Poll. They are also in first place in the NWAACC Southern Region with a league record of 7-1.

"What's most important is that you are number one in league," said Woods. "When you are ranked number one, people definitely want to upset you. Teams we have come across are out to get us; it has really helped us stay focused. We know that every match will be tough."

On Nov. 7 the Cougars will play their last home game of the year against Southwestern Oregon CC at 7 p.m. in the Clackamas gym. A victory in this game will guarantee Clackamas at least a share of the Southern Region championship.

(RIGHT) Tara Andrews sets the ball.

(BELOW) Becky Horn (6) and Justine Rhodes (9) get ready for action as Lindsay Schiely (8) goes in for the kill. The women are still ranked first in the NWAACC coaches' poll.



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Upcoming Sports:

Cross Country:
NWAACC Championship
Nov. 8 in Spokane, WA

Volleyball:
Against Southwestern Nov. 7 @ Home, 7 p.m.

Soccer:
Playoff game, opponent TBA
Nov. 8 @ Home, 1 p.m.

Soccer locks up second place in Southwest, playoffs ahead

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The Clackamas women's soccer team got two 3-goal games from Stevie Smith this past week as the Cougars swept Bellevue CC and Southwestern Oregon CC on the Cougars' home turf.

"We had a solid game on Wednesday [against Bellevue], but had probably our best effort of the season on Friday [against SWOCC]," said Head Coach Tracy Nelson.

"Everything came together on Friday; we finally played how I wanted to see them play. It was a lot of fun to watch."

Clackamas defeated Bellevue by a score of 4-2, getting a hat trick from Smith and a goal from Ashlee Strahan. The Cougars beat Southwestern Oregon 4-1, getting another hat trick from Smith and a goal from Megan Moore. Clackamas started both games strong, taking 2-0 leads in each game and hanging on for both victories.

"Smith has excelled the past week, taking her overall game to a new level," said Nelson. "We have several players who can score goals on this team, but [Smith] has been

finding the right opportunities for herself, and she has had a lot of help from her teammates setting her up. Bottom line, [Smith] is finishing the opportunities that she has presented herself with."

With the two season-ending wins, the Cougars have clinched second place in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges' (NWAACC) Southwest Division and await either North Idaho College or Edmonds CC in the playoffs.

That first playoff game will take place Saturday, Nov. 8 at 1 p.m. on the Cougars' home field. Edmonds needs to defeat Skagit Valley CC on Wednesday to earn the right to take on Clackamas Saturday. If Edmonds loses or ties Wednesday, North Idaho will travel to Oregon City to take on the Cougars.

The team is hosting a "Meet the Team" buffet dinner at the Home Court restaurant in Clackamas on Wednesday evening, beginning at 6 p.m. All players and coaching staff will be on hand at the event to meet with fans and supporters of the program.

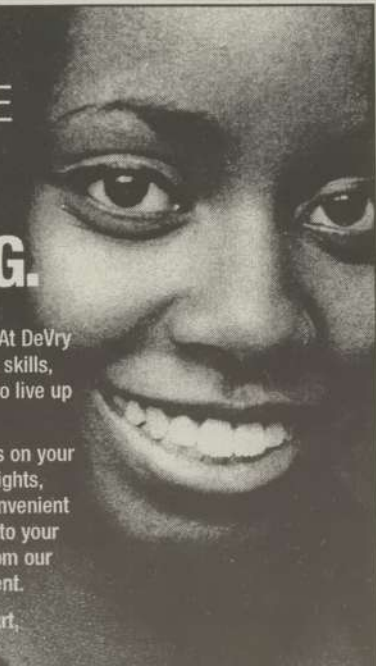
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Jayne Dodrill throws the ball in during Oct. 29 game against Bellevue. The Cougars won 4-2.

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