

Cougars men's basketball wins fourth game in a row

Women's basketball team falls to Lane Titans at Lane Community College

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EUGENE — In a Saturday afternoon double header, the Clackamas men's and women's basketball teams played on the road against the Lane Titans at Lane Community College. In the first game of the double header, the women's team lost 73-64.

In the first half, the Cougars were playing well defensively and were able to take a four-point lead into the half. In the second half, it was turnovers and the play of the Titans' point guard Shelby Snook that did in the Cougars. Snook finished the game with 35 points and five assists.

"She just got to the basket whenever she wanted to," said Co-Head Coach Jim Martineau. "She's a great player and does a great job."

Once Lane was able to get Snook going in the second half, Lane became nearly impossible to stop.

"We didn't match up on the shooters and they hurt us," Martineau said. "It just wasn't a very good effort defensively in the second half."

The Cougars were led by Laci Effenberger, who had 15 points and

five assists. Emily Pengelly finished the game with a double-double, 11 points and 10 rebounds. Jasmine Gibbs-Brown also finished with a double-double, 10 points and 12 rebounds.

The next women's basketball game is a home game at Randall Hall against Portland Community College on Feb. 5 at 5:30 p.m.

Following the women's game, the Cougars men's team put together a solid performance for their fourth consecutive victory. They beat the Titans 78-71, handing the Titans their first league loss at home this season.

"They're very good here," said Head Coach Cliff Wegner. "For us to come down here and come away with the win is just fabulous."

In the first half the Cougars came out and tried to push the tempo

and find their shooters. They had success with this and were able to establish a 13-point lead at 28-15. However, from that point the Titans went on a 17-8 run to close out the first half.

The Cougars took a four-point lead to the locker room. The second half was a back and forward game. Neither team could really take control until the Cougars finally did with less than three minutes to play. The Cougars were boosted by the play of Grant Sitton. He led all scorers with 21 points and eight rebounds, including six made free throws.

"I was shooting three's and they weren't hitting, so I thought I might try to hit something inside," Sitton said. "I had a slower defender on me and was just trying to make something happen inside and I shot well

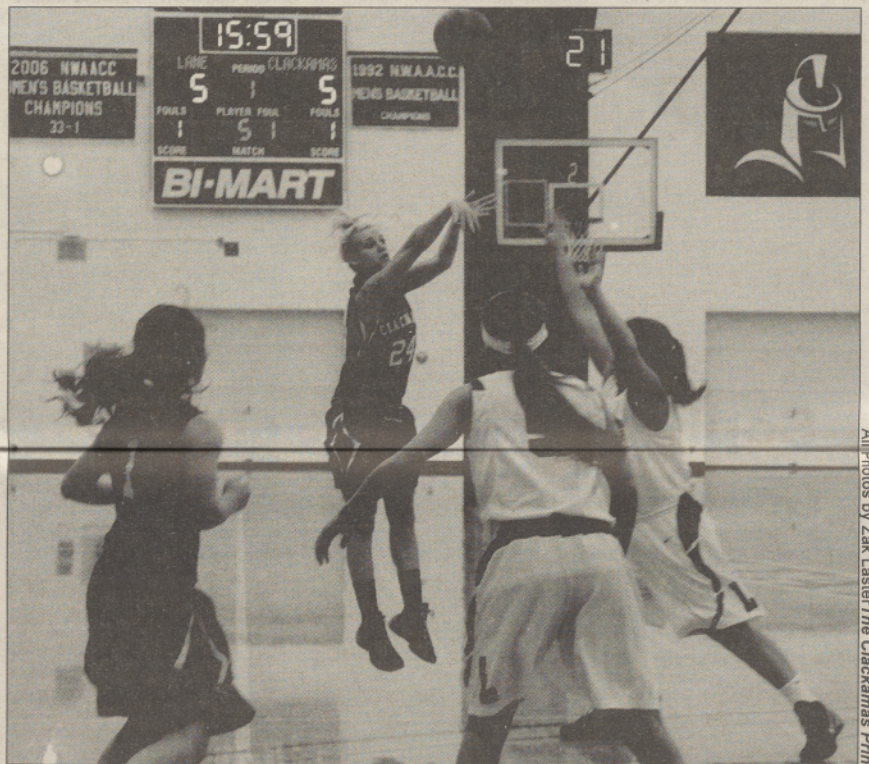
on free throws so it worked out. The closer you get to the rim, the easier it is to make a bucket."

Defensively the Cougars were impressive, holding the Titans to 40 percent shooting. As a team they try to hold their opponents to 39 percent shooting. The coaches were pleased with those results after the game.

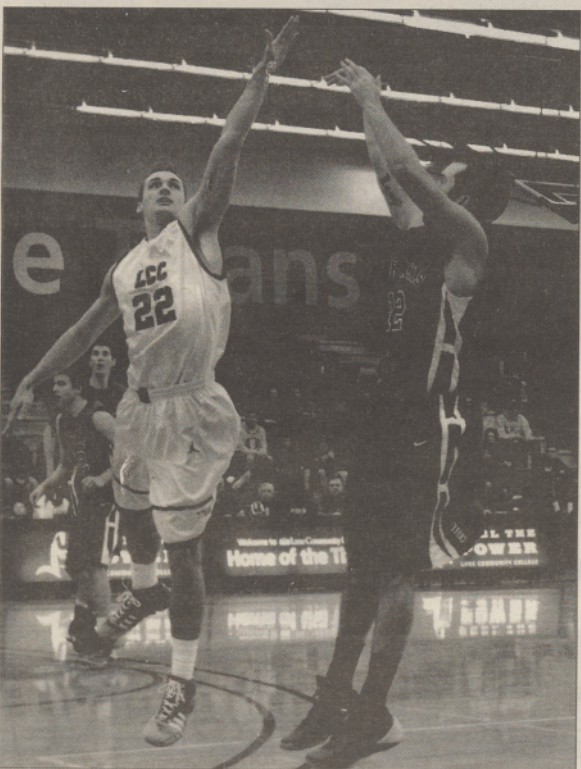
The Cougars held the Titans' best big man below his season average in both points and rebounds. The Lane Titans leading scorer was Alex Sattley, who finished with 29 points.

"He averages 18 points a game, but he got it going tonight," Wegner said. "He hit some tough shots."

The Cougars men's basketball team will look to extend their winning streak to five games on Feb. 5 at 7:30 p.m. against Portland Community College.



Top Left: Brandon Halter, freshman forward, attempts layup against Lane CC. Halter finished with 13 points and eight rebounds. Top Right: Tori Wilkinson, sophomore guard, shoots three pointer early in game against the Titans. Wilkinson finished with 11 points and four rebounds. Bottom: Spencer Bankiofer, sophomore point guard, shoots over the top of LCC defender. Bankiofer finished the game with 15 points, seven assists, and five rebounds.



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