

# Cougars triumph, wash Riverhawks down-stream

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The Clackamas women's basketball team dazzled the crowd with a strong performance Saturday afternoon. The Cougars faced the Umpqua Riverhawks in a match that involved a fistful of three-pointers. The teamwork of the Cougars overcame the Riverhawks, with Clackamas winning 81-66.

Umpqua didn't roll over and die. In fact, they were actually ahead during the first half. Umpqua took the lead with a three-pointer for 14-16. Umpqua fouled and Clackamas tied it back up at 16-16 with the free throw. Umpqua would never gain the lead back for the rest of the game.

Lacy Effenberger made a three-pointer with 9:12 left on the clock. The score was 19-16. The game remained competitive. With Clackamas leading at 25-23, Emily Pengelly caught a great pass from Effenberger to score a three-pointer. Pengelly was happy with the team's communication and cohesiveness, she said.

"My favorite part was when there was flow together and the team was talking," said Pengelly. "Ball movement was good and we took the shots that we needed to. Our lead kept up momentum. I think we're looking really good for NWAACCS."

Freshman Cassidy Edwards continued on the offensive with two points for Clackamas. After a time-out, Edwards sunk a two-point shot again. The score

was 30-23 with 4:14 left in the first half. Throughout the game Edwards scored two of the 13 three-pointers by Clackamas. She was satisfied with the win and her team's performance Saturday.

"That was really overdue," said Edwards. "Everything ran really smoothly and we topped them on defense. That was a big win for us. If we continue to play like we have been, we're gonna go to Kennewick and kick some ass and take some names."

Nearing the end of the first half, the action was far from over. After an Umpqua foul on a free throw, Effenberger answered with an ominous three-pointer. Umpqua was able to score two more points before the half ended, but Clackamas rained down more three-pointers. Tori Wilkinson hit the first and Effenberger picked-up another right at the buzzer. Clackamas commanded a 41-26 lead at half time.

Effenberger began the second half with a relentless three-pointer. After Umpqua scored a free throw the score was 44-27. Edwards followed with two points and Emily Pengelly hit a three. At 49-31, Umpqua began to fight back harder, gaining a few points from free-throws and two pointers. Umpqua brought the score up to 49-35.

During the back-and-forth fight for points and position, Clackamas freshman Lorissa Martine scored a nice two-point shot. The score was 54-37 and the battle continued up and down the court. Then Effenberger blasted through the defense and launched one her signature three-pointers for 57-37.

Edwards continued the

momentum with a slick hook shot under the basket. The scoreboard read 59-37. Umpqua tirelessly retaliated, scoring four more points before Effenberger sunk one more three-pointer. Effenberger then made a free throw shot from an Umpqua foul. The score was 63-44. Effenberger's three-pointer rampage included six stellar scoring shots out of 15 attempts. She was happy to win and was impressed with her team's progress through the season, she said.

another couple of three-pointers, bringing the score to 66-53. Umpqua showed that despite trailing, they were in the game to win. They methodically kept up with Clackamas on scoring through the remainder of the game.

The Cougars last shot of the night came from Wilkinson with

a solid two-pointer. The second half was a better one for Umpqua. Even though they failed to gain a lead like they did in the first half, Umpqua was able to match Clackamas on score. Both teams scored 40 points in the second half. Despite the River Hawks attempt at a comeback, Clackamas won 81-66.

## Game Score Box

Clackamas Cougars 81 vs. Umpqua Riverhawks 66

41 first half

40 second half

#1 Cassidy Edwards

16 total points

#3 Lorissa Martine

5 total points

#5 Laci Effenberger

26 total points

#11 Rebekah Jamerson

2 total points

#12 Emily Pengelly

13 total points

#15 Lauren Lindley

5 total points

#23 Jasmine Gibbs-Brown

6 total points

#24 Tori Wilkinson

8 total points

26 first half

40 second half

#4 Hannah Hawkins

3 total points

#5 Rachel Sample

0 total points

#10 Piliialoha Kailiawa

0 total points

#11 Kayla Bice

0 total points

#12 Paige Tompkin

2 total points

#22 Romanalyn Incencio

0 total points

#23 Ashli Payne

17 total points

#30 Leilani Morris

7 total points

#31 Kyndal Charleston

24 total points

#32 Asia Smith 13 total points

12	Points off Turnovers	9
17	2nd Chance Pts	5
39	3Pt Points	21
12	Free Throw Points	19
47	Total Rebounds	42
16	Pts Off Bench	12
1	Dead Ball Reb	4
44	Defensive Stops	48
1.09	Pts/Possession	0.87
31.7	Off Rebound %	29.2
70.8	Def Rebound %	68.3
52.8	Rebound %	47.2



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Freshman Guard

"We were off to a good start," said Effenberger. "We had a few bumps in the road with injuries. That was a good game for us. We came out and accomplished it without any hesitation."

Umpqua snuck-in a three-pointer, answered by Martine with a three. Then Umpqua hit

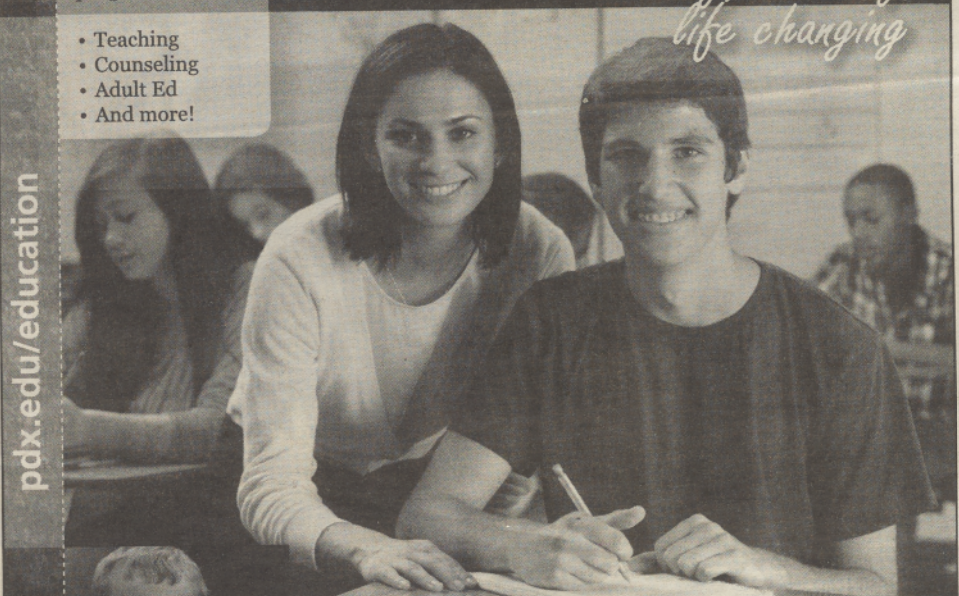
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