

some of them have different movements and come in at different times to help change up the game.

Hylton and Munson have led the way offensively for Clackamas so far this year. Munson has a batting average of .440 and an on base percentage of .512. Munson also leads the team in runs batted in with 55 and home runs with 12. Hylton is slightly behind Munson in RBIs (53) and HRs (7) but leads Munson and the rest of the Cougars in OBP with .512. Despite her outstanding stats, Hylton admitted she's been in a bit of a slump of late.

"The last couple of weeks I've been in my own head mostly, but really I'm just tryna have fun," Hylton said. "Softball's fun. I'm getting too hard on myself. As a team I think it's big that we're still having fun playing for each other but we gotta go do it for ourselves too. I just think we need to stop letting Jess down. She's gave us a lot to work with and we gotta work with her."

Munson, who broke the school's single season HR record last year with 18, is slightly off the pace for catching her own record this season. If Munson stays on her current pace, she'll finish between 15 and 16 home runs. This season Munson said she's focusing more on contact than power.

"I've just been trying to focus more on getting base hits and getting on base and stuff, but the home runs are always nice," Munson said.

Munson said they have a strong chance at continuing the Clackamas softball legacy.

"I expect us to place somewhere in the top 5 in the NWAC and we'll definitely get there as long as we keep doing what we need to do."

Since 1999, Clackamas has only finished outside of the top 5 in the NWAC three times, finishing sixth in 2011 and seventh in 2001 and 2009.

Munson said a strong mentality will take them there.

"I think we honestly need to keep working hard and grinding to keep our mentality at where the end goal is," Munson said.

Clackamas looks to shake off the rough weekend when they take on Chemeketa Community College at home on Wednesday, April 24.



Freshman infielder Jennifer Olivia has a batting average of .363 and 29 RBIs.

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KAT HYLTON
 .381 BA
 .710 SLG
 .507 OBP
 53 RBIs
 7 HRS

NATALIE MUNSON
 .442 BA
 .850 SLUG
 .512 OBP
 57 RBIs
 13 HRs

