

## ***The week in review (Jan. 25-28)***

### ***Men's Basketball***

Chemeketa's Riley Luettgerodt fell one point short of the NWAACC regular season game scoring record last Saturday when he hit for 53 points in the Storm's 111-97 win at Lane. Luettgerodt shot 17 for 25 from the floor (5-8 from three-point range), was 14-15 from the free throw line, and added 14 rebounds. He was coming off a 32-point performance against SW Oregon on Wednesday. The current scoring record belongs to Larry Raw of Blue Mountain (1968 vs. Portland State JV) and Portland CC's Tyrone Pollard (1991 vs. Lane). Columbia Basin had a good week with home wins against Spokane and Big Bend to share second place in the East with BBCC and pull within one game of CCS. Lower Columbia handed Highline their first league loss with a 92-76 outcome, which tied the two teams for the top spot in the West. Peninsula maintained their one-game lead over Bellevue in the North with home wins against Skagit Valley and Whatcom. Mt. Hood continues to lead in the South after beating Linn-Benton and Umpqua. Besides Luettgerodt, other players who scored 30 or more points in a game were Rory Morgan of Portland, Blake Solomon of Big Bend, WaLynn Burgess of Yakima Valley, David Cernin of Clackamas, and Josh Akwenuke of Lane.

### ***Women's Basketball***

Several surprising results highlighted women's basketball last week. Two came from the East Division where Blue Mountain stunned Wenatchee Valley 76-72 on Friday. It was the first league win for the Timberwolves and the first league loss for the Knights. The other was Big Bend's 59-54 road win at Columbia Basin. Six teams are separated by two games in that division. In the North, a basket in the closing seconds by Megan Feeney gave Bellevue a 49-47 thriller against Skagit Valley which launched those two teams into a three-way tie for first place with Everett. Another eye opener was the West showdown between Highline and Lower Columbia at LCC where the Thunderbirds pulled off a 54-53 triumph despite shooting 28% from the floor. The outcome forced a tie for second place and put undefeated Centralia all alone in first. In the South, Clackamas, Lane, and Umpqua all pulled off easy wins to remain 1-2-3 in that division. Players with 30-point games last week were Andrea Staley of Centralia and Elyse Mengarelli of Yakima Valley.