

The week in review (Nov. 1-5)

Volleyball

The South Division fared well at the Crossover Tournaments held on Nov. 4-5, earning two titles and two runner-ups. Clackamas used a 5-0 record to win the round-robin type tournament at Big Bend. The Cougars ran their overall win total to 25 and won their second tourney in eight days. Southwestern Oregon beat host Green River to win that tournament while another tourney host, Linn-Benton, came up short in the championship match against top-ranked Walla Walla. Blue Mountain beat Edmonds in the championship match to win the EdCC Tournament. League play last week saw Whatcom win at Bellevue to knot up the top spot in the North Division. Columbia Basin pulled off a home sweep of Spokane and needs only a win at Big Bend on Nov. 9 to qualify for their ninth straight NWAACC Tournament. Southwestern Oregon has already clinched a tie for the South Division crown after defeating Chemeketa last week. With road wins, Mt. Hood (at Clackamas) and Linn-Benton (at Chemeketa) can make it a three-way tie should they win their league finales.

Men's soccer

Southwestern Oregon joined Whatcom, Highline and Walla Walla as division winners as league play ended on Nov. 5. The Lakers earned ties at Tacoma and Wenatchee Valley to edge Clark by one point for first place. Despite no losses, WVC fell four points short of first place as Walla Walla won their second straight division crown. The Knights' Ceveriano Garcia (23 goals, 12 assists) held off WWCC's Fidel Angulo to capture the 2005 NWAACC scoring crown. With 11 league shutouts, Whatcom's Robbie Wright was the top goalie. Another big game last week came on the final day of league as Pierce leapfrogged Tacoma for third place with a 3-0 triumph at TCC. It was a huge achievement for the Raiders who won one of 56 games in the past three seasons. The division winners will host the winners of Wednesday's playoffs games on Nov. 12 with those victors advancing to the NWAACC Soccer Tournament at Starfire Soccer Complex in Tukwila.

Women's soccer

The tough race in the West Division ended with Highline winning the division by four points over Tacoma. Green River, who ended league play with a scoreless tie with TCC, captured third as the five teams in the West combined for 32 shutouts. Walla Walla kept unbeaten for the season, ending league with a 2-2 tie at Spokane. Shelly Ikerd (31) and Lauryn Koelzer (27) went one and two in goal scoring for 2005. The Warriors also led the NWAACC in league shutouts with 12, but it was Spokane's Amy Danielson whose eight shutouts were tops individually. Lower Columbia edged out Southwestern Oregon for second place in the South as both teams held off first-year team Lane for postseason play. Highline, WWCC, Shoreline, along with defending NWAACC champion Clackamas will all host playoff games on Nov. 12 for the chance to go to the NWAACC Tournament held held on Nov. 19-20.

Cross Country

No action happened last week as teams prepare for the NWAACC Championships on Nov. 12. The conference meet will be hosted by Clark College and held at Lewisville State Park in Battle Ground. The women's race starts at 11:00AM while the men's race kicks off at noon.