

GAME SCHEDULE

- Tuesday, January 19, Women's Basketball @ Ave Maria at 6pm
- Tuesday, January 19, Men's Basketball vs. Florida Christian at 7pm
- Thursday, January 21, Men's Basketball vs. Northland at 7pm
- Friday, January 22, Women's Basketball vs. Trinity Baptist at 5pm
- Friday, January 22 Men's Basketball vs. Trinity Baptist at 7pm

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Cougars Earn Great Wins Against Florida College, Pensacola

(01/14/10) Clearwater, FL- The Cougars opened the 2010 portion of their season off by defeating Florida College 86-78 in overtime. Earlier in the season the Falcons defeated the Cougars by 1 point in the closing moments of the game, and CCC came in determined to win in front of a very supportive crowd.

Clearwater came out playing very well early on in the game and built a comfortable lead in the opening minutes, but timely Florida College shooting helped keep them in the game. The game remained close throughout the second half as both teams traded baskets and the lead.

With the score tied late in the game, the Falcons had the ball with an opportunity to take the lead with only 41 seconds left on the clock. But the Cougars defense got the stop they needed as Florida College was unable to get a shot off before the shot clock expired. The Cougars then had the ball with only 5 seconds left with a chance to win at the end. The Falcons pressure forced CCC to inbound to Lonzo Saunders far from the basket and his first three point shot of the season hit the front of the rim and sent the game into overtime with a score of 70-70.

In overtime, the crowd really got behind the Cougars and they were determined to seal the win.

Led by George Youstra and Todd Wahlberg, the Cougars held FC to 9 points in the OT, while scoring 16 points to give Clearwater the win 86-79. The Cougars were led in scoring and rebounding by George Youstra with 17 points and 14 rebounds, Bryan Copeland added 17 points and 7 assists while Todd Wahlberg added 16 points and Lonzo Saunders added 15 of his own in the Cougar victory.



(01/16/10) Clearwater, FL- The Clearwater Christian Cougars knocked off their rival, the Pensacola Christian College Eagles, on Saturday night 86-78 before a packed house of students, fans, and alumni.

The Cougars came out with a strong game plan, setting an

uptempo pace and getting out in transition to score easy baskets. They also played lock down defense of the Eagles, forcing a number of turnovers. The Cougars fed off the energy of the crowd and jumped out to an early lead and never looked back.

The Cougar offense only committed 2 turnovers in the first half which helped propel them into the half with a 50-32 lead. The game resumed with the Cougars staying hot until mid way through the half when Pensacola hit their stride, helped by excellent free throw shooting. The Eagles continued to fight their way back from the early deficit but came up short by a final score of 86-78.

The Cougars spread the ball around very well on offense and were led in scoring by freshman Andy Carson who had 17 points and 6 rebounds. Carson came up huge when needed down the stretch and looks to be a strong contributor in the remainder of the Cougar's season. Troy Hadlock played tough defense and also finished with 15 points while Lonzo

Saunders chipped in 13 points. Bryan Copeland ran the point smoothly and finished with 12 points and a team high 8 assists. The Cougars will be in action again on January 19th, when they host Florida Christian College.





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ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT MISSION:

The purpose of the Athletic Department at Clearwater Christian College is to provide a competitive intercollegiate athletic program dedicated to bringing glory to God by using athletics: (1) to present an unshakable testimony of Christ both on and off the field; (2) to promote discipleship within the team setting and (3) to provide ministry opportunities for our athletes to share God's Word with others.

Lady Cougars Dominate Pensacola

(01/16/10) Clearwater, FL— Clearwater Christian College defeated Pensacola Christian College 76-55 to continue their dominance over the Eagles. The Lady Cougars came out strong and benefitted from balanced scoring to build an early lead. The Cougars played tremendous defense led by Amanda Ison, who helped spark the Cougar's fast break offense with her 5 steals to go along with 10 points and 7 rebounds. Richelle Bucklin also had a huge night with a double-double, 10 points and 15 rebounds.

CCC built an impressive half time lead with their pressure defense and timely three-point shooting. The game went into the half with a score of 43-25. In the

second half the Lady Eagles were able to claw back but still couldn't keep up with the upbeat tempo style of play that the Lady Cougars were running. Clearwater's bench also played a role in the game led by Alyssa Zallie and Jessica Karraker. Lauren Leabhart also contributed 12 points and 9 rebounds for the Cougars. Clearwater was again led in scoring by Katie Mullens' 18 points. The Lady Cougars will be in action again on January 19th at Ave Maria University.



Cougar Baseball Wins 1st Outing v. Alumni

Clearwater Christian College celebrated its annual Homecoming in grand style on Saturday, January 16. Traditional homecoming events included the annual Alumni Baseball Game and home basketball contests against Pensacola Christian College.

The strong 2010 alumni

team was led by former coach Ron Edson and included fourteen representatives from a number of graduating classes: Michael Surlles ('08), Phil Knight('06), Jonathan Domico ('04), Will Burgos ('09), Matt Stenberg ('02), Andrew Stenberg ('05), Shawn Lockhart ('03), Nathan Brown('07),

Rob Copenhaver ('09), Chad Luke ('03) , James Coffman ('07), Martin Hughes (staff), Chris Seely ('08), and Ryan Mayer ('09).

In a close game, the Cougars were able to make several key plays to seal the 13-10 win.

Cougar Spotlight— Kelly Fichtner

Kelly Fichtner has been an integral part of the Cougar women's basketball team the past 2 years. A junior Social Studies Education major, Kelly has served as team Captain providing a great mentor to the younger players on the team. She has started nearly every game since coming to CCC and is fundamentally sound in all aspects of the game.

Including her ability to distribute the ball, play solid defense, and shoot the 3. In big games, Kelly has shown the ability to make big plays. When asked about the current season, Kelly had this to say, "It has been a blessing to have the opportunity to be captain of this team. God has taught me so much in this position! It's kind of hard being one

of the only two returners this year, but our team has grown so much and will continue to!" Kelly is one of the big reasons why there is a lot of optimism and excitement about the CCC women's basketball team this year as she brings a "team first" attitude to the Cougars.

