COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Finishing with a flourish

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APTS — In its regular-season finale, the Cabrillo College volleyball team found a way to do what it has done in all but one match this season: win.

Visiting De Anza was close in every game, but the Seahawks, despite playing with a makeshift lineup, took a 25-19, 28-26, 25-20 victory Wednesday.

"I thought they played great," Cabrillo coach Gabby Houston-Neville said of her players. "We've been working on working together as a group."

The Seahawks (25-1), who earlier this season lost star middle Sierra Clark to a knee injury, played without setter Brooke Carroll and right-side hitter Alexis Mondragon. Carroll and Mondragon should be back for the Northern California playoffs, which begin Tuesday. Houston-Neville said she hopes her team will get the top-seed at the seedings meeting Sunday.

"We've played through a lot of adversity and the girls have really, really stepped up," she said. "We've had everything thrown at us and they've really, really risen to the occasion. Now the fun begins. It's the playoffs — we've worked all year to get here. Now we just need to go for it every match."

Summer Mitchell, who replaced Clark in the middle, had a strong match Tuesday, finishing with 15 kills. Also, Ally Russo had 10 kills, 10 digs and two aces; Michelle Meyer 18 digs; and Skyler Moon four blocks.

Cabrillo sweeps De Anza, heads into postseason with 25-1 record