

Belko evaluates hoop prospects for season

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Oregon head basketball coach, Steve Belko, greeted a large turnout for the opening day of practice last week, including six returning lettermen, four of whom were starters last year, the nucleus of an undefeated freshman squad, and six junior college transfers.

Belko, looking forward to the coming season, said "Prospects, as far as depth is concerned, are much better than they have been. We have a little more height and, although it might be an inexperienced squad, from a potential standpoint it is better than in past years."

Returning lettermen include seniors Chuch Rask, Dale Herron, Stu Robertson, and Jerry Anderson, and juniors Denny Strickland and Butch Kimpton. Leon Hayes and Pudgy Hunt are holdovers who did not letter.

Moving up from last year's outstanding frosh squad are Glenn Moore, Charles Warren, John Mack, Wally Knecht, John Stevens, Dave Robinson, and Darrel Brandt.

Transfers are junior Jim Granada from Bakersfield JC and sophomores Nick Robertson, Boise JC; Artist Gilbert, San Diego JC; Bill Simmons, San Francisco JC; Dave Ring, Harvey Illinois JC; and Roman Jones.

The Duck hoop mentor remarked, "We have four or five sophomores who will push the juniors and seniors for starting berths. Because of the inexperience in some key positions, we may be slow starting."

However, he added, "This year is the first time since I've been here that we have had a squad that shows real promise for the future."

"We have been working on defense, feeling that we have to improve in this area for a successful season. There is a fine attitude, the boys have worked hard, and were conditioning themselves before practice began."

The Webfoots open their tough schedule December 4 against Fresno State College in Eugene. All early season games gain added importance because of the fact that the Ducks are no longer members of the defunct Pacific Coast Conference, and, therefore, all contests count towards the NCAA standings for tournament qualification.

Schedule:

December	
4-5	Fresno State at Eugene
11-12	Montana State Invitational at Bozeman
19	Colorado St. at Eugene
21-22	San Jose St. at Eugene
28-29-30	Far West Classic at Corvallis

January

2	Stanford at Eugene
4	WSU at Eugene
9	WSU at Pullman
11	Idaho at Moscow
15	Portland U at Portland
16	Portland U at Eugene
22	Washington at Seattle
29	California at Berkeley
30	Stanford at Palo Alto

February

5	OSC at Eugene
6	OSC at Corvallis
19	Washington at Eugene
20	USC at Eugene
27	Idaho at Eugene

March

4	OSC at Corvallis
5	OSC at Eugene

The Order of the "O" will meet Wednesday noon at the Chi Psi house.

Sigs gain finals; SAM wins

By WAYNE HOBSON
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Sigma Chi advanced to the finals and Sigma Alpha Mu to the semi-finals of the IM football playoffs as a result of games played Tuesday.

The Sigs defeated Beta Theta Pi 6-2, and the Sammies whomped Sheldon 20-6.

SAM will meet Delta Upsilon today at 4 on the IM field to determine Sigma Chi's opponent in Thursday's championship game.

Sigs gain finals

The Sigma Chi-Beta struggle was as exciting and hard fought as any game played this year in IM action.

Both teams opened the game with first downs, but could not move the ball any further. Near the end of the first quarter, Sigma Chi quarterback John Schwartz completed a 40-yard pass to Ron O'Rourke on the Beta 20.

The Betas held, could not move the ball themselves, and punted to the Sigma Chi 30.

Schwartz then hit Dick Manilla with aials good for 50 and 20 yards, the second pass scoring the game's lone TD.

The Betas fought back, and were marching the ball downfield when the first half ended.

An exchange of intercepted passes began the second half. Jim Josephson snagged an errant Beta pass, and Al Mills caught a Sigma Chi toss.

After his interception, Mills took over the quarterback duties for Beta, and passed 55 yards to Mac Carmichael on the Sig 20 yard line. Unhappily for Beta, this pass only set up a safety, not a touchdown.

O'Rourke intercepted a Mills pass for the Sigs on their own six yard line. Sig quarterback Schwartz was downed on the next play in his end zone by Gene Estes for the safety which was the Betas only score of the afternoon.

The Betas again moved the ball into Sig territory, but were halted on downs on the 25, from where the Sigs were forced to punt after being unable to move the ball.

Beta then took possession on its own 40, and, with only two minutes remaining in the game, began to seriously challenge Sigma Chi's 6-2 lead.

A third-down pass from Mills to Carmichael went for 40 yards to the 20 yard line. However, this fine gain was partially nullified when Beta was called for offensive holding on the next play.

With time running out, the Betas had four downs to travel 40 yards if they were to defeat the Sigs. They almost did it, but Steve Cook allowed a fourth down aerial into the

end zone to go through his arms.

The Beta passin gattack featured short passes from Mills to Hugh Springer, Cook, and Nick Utt, his three favorite receivers, although he did throw two important long passes. The Sigs relied mainly on Schwartz's ability to throw the long pass, and the good protection he received for their offensive strength.

Chris Taafe and Manilla's rushing of the Beta passer, especially during the last series of downs, was instrumental in the victory. Josephson played a fine defensive game for Sigma Chi, also, knocking down many Beta passes.

The Beta defeat was no fault of Berkeley Holman and Estes, who played an outstanding game on the defensive line for the Betas.

SAM wins

Sigma Alpha Mu needed one half of its game to get started, but once started, they coasted to a 20-6 victory over Sheldon.

Jerry Lyslo led Sheldon to a 6-0 first half lead with his fine play. He intercepted a Sammie pass early in the first quarter, and returned it to the SAM 17.

He then guided Sheldon to its only touchdown of the game,

passing six yards to Dennis Dier-enfield for the tally. The PAT attempt was no good, and Sheldon held its lead for the balance of the half.

The Sammies solved the Sheldon defense in the second half, as Neil Goldschmidt, their stellar pass receiver, got behind his defenders, and caught three second half touchdown passes.

Gil Olman passed to Goldschmidt on a sleeper play which has worked well all season, for 50 yards and the first SAM TD.

The Sammies added the winning and insurance touchdowns in the fourth quarter on a two yard pass from Olman to Goldschmidt, and a 15 yarder from Coblens to Goldschmidt. Olman hit Goldschmidt for the conversion after the last TD.

Dick Katz and Dave Rogoway helped the Sammie victory with their blocking on the offense. Harv Hasson and Ron Litt were impressive on defense for SAM.

Jerry Lyslo's passing the bright spot of the game for Sheldon, as his passes were generally on target, but not always caught.

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