

# Barnett, Ducks Meet Trojans, UCLA

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The biggest news of the week from hoop coach Steve Belko came out Wednesday when the personable mentor disclosed that his number one player, Jim Barnett would play in Los Angeles against the USC Trojans and the UCLA Bruins.

Belko went on to say that "it all depends on how much Jim can play himself. It will be entirely his own decision on how much and how long he can play."

This is extremely good news for the Ducks as they will be meeting the two top teams in SC and UCLA in the conference. Barnett missed all the games in the Far West Classic due to a freak accident in the hotel just prior to the first game.

Belko also feels that his team, a rather young and inexperienced group but one with a lot of courage and spark, will gain a lot of valuable league experience in their first PAC outings in LA.

### Teams Impress Scout

The Ducks will be leaving for LA Thursday afternoon by bus to Portland and then jet to LA. Belko has planned an 11:30 workout in the Sports Arena Friday morning. Game time is Friday evening at 8:30.

Phil McHugh scouted both SC and UCLA at the Classic and returned with glowing words about both teams.

McHugh was particularly impressed with the Trojan's big 6-9 center John Block. Block was a tower of strength all last year for the Trojans and is back again

this winter with even better credentials. Block was selected as the all-coast center last year as a junior.

The Trojans also boast a strong pair of guards in Harvey Dillon and Doug Bolcom. Dillon is second in scoring to Block with 138 points in 10 games for a 13.8 average.

Bolcom is a play maker type with good hands and passing ability. Also a starting guard at times is John Bacon, an able shooter and good playmaker.

### Block Leads Team

Block leads his team in all the offensive departments from top to bottom. His field goal shooting percentage is highest for shots attempted at .420, as is his free throw shooting at .764. He has grabbed off 88 rebounds in 10 games and his highest point effort of the year was 32 points against the Hawaii Marines.

Dillon, though only a sophomore, is one of the highest regarded Trojans at the back court position in a long time. He holds the distinction of making the second team all-CIF in his senior year and was named Coast League Player of the Year.

He is also the quickest, most agile player ever coached by Forest Twogood at USC. He will lead the press and running attack the Trojans will most likely employ.



STEVE BELKO  
Takes Ducks South

The Trojans record to date is impressive at 7-4 with their biggest wins coming over top ranked teams like Vanderbilt, Cincinnati and Kansas. Their only losses of the season came at the hands of Butler (77-75), St. Louis (77-72), and UCLA twice (86-67) and (94-76).

Turning to the Ducks Belko

feels that they will definitely make a good showing in Los Angeles. "If some of our sophomores mature or grow-up on this trip then we'll surprise someone. "We have had some very encouraging practices this week, and

Tuesday's was the best since prior to the Far West Classic." The Ducks got the shock treatment in Portland but Belko feels that they can come right out of it.

John Pinkstaff was under the weather for the entire tournament with a virus infection and most people were unaware of this, related Belko. However, Pinkstaff is reported in fine physical shape and should be able to return to his fine form which he displayed just prior to the tournament.

Belko feels that he has a potential nugget in Bob Craven. "If Bob can play good, hard-nose defense and rebound up to his high capabilities, along with his fine shooting ability, this could be the big factor in our chances this weekend."

Belko has been high on Craven all along and is just waiting for his big, rangy forward to come through with his best performance of the year. And this would be a fine time for the fast developing sophomore to explode. The Oregon team will need it this weekend.

## UO Rugby Club Slates Workshop

Three members of the British Columbia Rugby Union have been scheduled for appearances in the Oregon Rugby Club's workshop set for Saturday on the University campus from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

All aspects of the game, from officiating to playing, will be pointed out by movies, lectures, practical sessions and actual play.

The three BC rugby officials are James Dunbar, British Columbia's senior official, Grahame Budge, a former player on the internationally recognized British Lions team, and Ken Banks, a top coach in the British Columbia area.

Along with rugby players and officials, Oregon coach Bruce Howe urges all interested persons to attend the workshop.

## Soccer Club Sets Planning Meeting

An organizational meeting for the university soccer club will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the SU. Plans for exhibition games before resumption of league play will be made. Room number for the meeting will be posted Thursday.

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# PAC Opens for Swimmers

By GORDON ROSENBERG  
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Following the most successful season in its history, the Oregon swimming team opens the 1966 Pacific Athletic Conference schedule at home this weekend with a pair of dual meets.

The Duck swimmers take on Stanford Friday evening at 7:30 and host California at 2 p.m. Saturday. Oregon upset Stanford in last season's league opener, but has not met the Berkeley school for several years.

"We have lost a large part of last year's very successful team," stated head coach Don Van Rossen. "Only one of our eight NCAA champions returns."

The 1964-65 team swam to a surprising second place in the league, and compiled an overall 8-2 record. The team completed the season by finishing tenth in the NCAA championships at Iowa State University last March.

### All-Americans Gone

But that was a year ago. Missing from this season's edition are the four all-Americans, including last year's captain Dick Boyd and Charlie Staples, who hold nine varsity records between them.

Although the loss of these key performers will be felt, coach Van Rossen returns with several established veterans and a promising group of sophomores.

"Our success depends largely

upon how well our sophomores take the place of our graduated seniors," stated Van Rossen.

Among the returning veterans are senior captain Dale Wood, PAC and NCAA champion diver Larry Folinsbee, a junior from Vancouver, British Columbia, and junior sprint swimmer Don Smith from Los Lomas, California.

Other returning aces are sprint men Monty Holding, junior, and Dave MacKenzie, one of only two seniors on the team.

The best of a talented group of sophomores up from last year's fine freshman team are sprint swimmer Jack Greening and butterfly specialist Bruce Hess.

### Stanford Strong

"Stanford is the tougher of our opponents this weekend," stated Van Rossen. "Since they also had a strong freshman team last year, the meet will be largely a match of our sophomores against their sophomores."

Stanford graduated several star performers from a team that took third place in the league, right behind Oregon.

"We upset them last year, and we're going to try to do it again Friday," emphasized Van Rossen.

In regards to the league race, Southern California should be the class of the league again this campaign. The Trojans have many stars returning from last year's

NCAA championship team. The powerful perennial league champions scored nearly twice as many points as second-place Oregon in last season's league finals.

### "USC Is Favorite"

"USC has got to be the favorite," stated Van Rossen, "they're always good."

After this weekend, Oregon will tangle once with each of the other five league teams, including a tough battle with USC in Los Angeles next Friday.

Official league action ends with the PAC Swimming and Diving Championships in Los Angeles, March 3-5. However, the first and second place teams will travel to Colorado, March 24-26, for the NCAA championships at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

But, as for now, the weekend clashes with Stanford and California are the main problems.

"Since we haven't met California for four or five years, we know very little about them," pointed out Van Rossen.

Although he is unfamiliar with California which finished sixth in the league last year, Van Rossen expects a tough battle from Stanford. And, as he said, his Ducks are shooting for another upset.

## Tight End Moves To Oregon Team

By The Associated Press  
Oregon will switch from two spread ends to a tight end style of play next football season.

This came out after Jon Granby, a 6-1, 200-pound tight end from Talent, Ore., transferred to the university from Boise Junior College. He has two years of eligibility remaining.

Fullback Jim Evenson, 6-2 and 210 pounds, also transferred from Boise J.C. He is a sophomore from Vancouver, Wash.

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