



Vicki Brown and Duck rowers

Photo by Matt McCormick

Bowling team loses Bellisimo

Gone from the wine cellar known as kegging country is that little bald-headed Italian who has guided Oregon bowling teams to many championships and an NCAA record for five man team average. Gone is Lou Bellisimo who wrote the *Bowler's Guide* and backed up his words with a perfect game at age 65, who sent yet another Webfoot to the nationals in Long Beach last year. The coach has retired.

Now at the helm is a phys ed grad student from Eastern Illinois, a student so interested in bowling that she has done a great deal of work in teaching bowling to the handicapped. Her name is Jeanine Bennett.

She inherits a team of inconsistent men and low-averaged women but really has great chance for a successful debut as almost all of them were in their first year of varsity competition last season and should be better as they hit the alleys this fall. Last year they finished second in the Oregon Collegiate Bowling League in spite of a poor start and a weak finish.

There is still plenty of room for bowlers with a 180-200 average on all five of the men's teams and a 150 average would look good among the women of last year.

While no equipment is required from the bowlers most own their own balls and shoes and gain some consistency in doing so. Teams travel throughout Oregon for league play and participate in

as many as three leagues in Eugene. They also enter teams in the city and state tournaments.

Volleyball

The volleyball team surprised a lot of people in the area last year. They proved themselves capable of beating every team in the Northwest in spite of their youth.

Several spots are open to interested competitors as coach Dale Shostrom begins his era and Rich Cox steps down after his successful season, wanting to play rather than coach.

Tournaments are featured in the Northwest and in California, mostly in the winter and spring terms though the team will practice during fall term as well.

Fencing

Lyle Lamont, professional in his sport, is the coach of the Oregon fencing team which enters competition throughout the year armed with foil epee and sabre. His lessons have led to more than one successful debut for fledgling fencers.

Intensive training and conditioning are the mark of the program and the novice will likely not be ready for competition in the intricate sport before spring term.

Anyone who wishes to purchase a glove and put in the time is welcome on the team.

Vicki coming back

While Oregon is not a national power in the sport they did catch the national eye last year when they broke the sex barrier with at least partial success.

Vicki Brown, who coxwained the team to national headlines, will be around this season along with coaches Mike Napier and Don McCarty.

Crew is another sport which provides excellent conditioning plenty of practice for the enthusiast. The team competes in several races throughout the year and practices all three terms.

Skiing

Practice begins this term long before the snow is on the ground as coach Paul Skillern leads the co-ed slope masters through a conditioning program. When the mountains are white and winter term is under way they take to the hills for several competitions with other Oregon and Washington skiers.

Events included are the slalom, down hill, and cross-country. The long-distance event offers the best shot at making the team. Nobody has had more than a year of practice and it's the squad's weakest point.

Soccer

There have been as many as six different teams representing the University in the past. Last year there were four as interest in the "king of sport" died some.

The team known as the "Ducks" plays the top soccer and faces the stiffer competition from all over the Pacific Northwest. Many of the players are English, some American, Dutch and other nationalities.

A rung below are the 'Mallards' who limit their squad to undergrads, many American. They face a rough in-state schedule and face a few Canadian and California schools as well.

There are also the Coots and Canvasbacks, which include all players not able to make the top two teams. They play in the Willamette league and travel less extensively than the others, although playing nearly as many games.

Roger Heap will organize the teams this year. He begins his first season as coach.

Karate, Judo and Table Tennis

All three of these club sports are still in the beginning stages of organization with a limited schedule but plenty of practice, time and space at hand.

Bobo Williams is at the lead for the judo team, Rich Maineti in charge of the karate competitors, and Jeff Kurtz has the duty for the table tennis group.

More information on each is available in the club sports office.

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