

UO's super efforts shine through dreary day

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Hayward Field wasn't a very hospitable place Saturday if you were a visitor from Washington State.

Not only was the weather unfriendly, with the drizzle and cold, but Oregon's fired-up track team took full advantage of its home field to hand the Cougars their first dual meet defeat this year, 95-68.

While the outcome itself was somewhat surprising, there were several bonafide upsets in the individual events.

Oregon freshman Don Clary, in the afternoon's biggest victory, caught and passed WSU's John Ngeno, the 1975 NCAA three and six-mile champion, on the last lap of the 5,000 meters to give the Ducks a needed shot-in-the-arm when it looked like the Cougars were getting close.

Clary led early in the race but fell back into fourth and appeared well out of it midway through. Then, with little more than a lap to go, the 18-year-old Clary charged back and kicked to an impressive 13:45.2 win, easily a personal best.

Ngeno was second in 13:49.2, and Oregon's Terry Williams turned in a 13:51.4 for third place to give the Ducks six crucial points.

"We knew Clary was good," said Oregon coach Bill Dellinger, "but I have to admit, the 5,000 was a surprise. That was a real fast finish for a freshman. He was able to hang on till the last half mile, and kick to the finish."

It was that kind of afternoon for the Ducks. In events where it looked like the Cougars had better strength, Oregon kept coming back with super performances.

In the pole vault, Oregon's Tinker Hatfield soared 16-7½ to set a new meet record and defeat favored Dennis Dudley of WSU, who finished second in 16-0. It was Hatfield's best effort since last year's NCAA championships, where he finished eighth by clearing 16-8.

Three other meet records were toppled in the soggy but fierce competition.

Duck distance runner Matt Centrowitz put the icing on an Oregon sweep in the 1,500 by winning the event in a personal best of 3:39.8, breaking the record of 3:46.5 set by Mike McClendon of Oregon in 1972. Peter Spir was second in 3:41.4, and Randall Markey took third in 3:41.7. All the times were equivalent to sub-four minute miles.

Dacre Bowen, who kept his 400 meter winning streak alive with a clocking of 46.9, bested the old record of 47.7 set by Oregon's Vincent Buford in 1972.

In the 800 meters, WSU's James Brews-

ter finished in 1:50.1, a step ahead of teammate Dale Scott's 1:50.3 to better the record of 1:51.3 set in 1972 by Wes Smylie of Oregon.

The meet had its light moments, too.

According to NCAA rules, a false start means automatic disqualification in running events. In the 200 meters, Bowen, who was entered in the event for the first time this season, jumped the gun and was removed from the race.

Then, on the next 'set,' Tim Beisa of Washington State was tagged for the same offense. With two men absent, the race was finished — only to have the winner, WSU's Gary Minor, disqualified for running out of lane. Oregon's Chris Brathwaite emerged the eventual victor, in 21.8.

Dave Voorhees, the top weightman for the Ducks, took the meet's only double win as he heaved the shot 62-2¼ for a personal best and then threw the discus 194-12 to outdistance teammate Howard Banich.

Voorhees vocalized a team feeling about the satisfying win.

"The weather was a little detrimental, but the crowd helped 100 per cent," he said. "Everything for us today was a good effort — it was a real surprise to see the results like (Don) Clary's 1,500."

The Ducks will now get a much-needed break from Pacific-8 competition. The next two meets will be at home — Saturday's annual Twilight Meet, followed by a dual with Oregon State on April 24.

And, for the next two weeks, it looks like Hayward Field won't get any better for opponents of the suddenly-hot Ducks.

HAMMER THROW—1. Rich Perkins, UO, 199-1; 2. Dwight Milledes, WSU, 193-6; 3. Mari Murray, WSU, 192-4.

JAVELIN—1. Jeff Carter, UO, 251-10; 2. Gene Lorenzen, WSU, 242-5; 3. Jim Smith, UO, 224-9.

SHOT PUT—1. Dave Voorhees, UO, 62-2¼; 2. Orestis Rossides, WSU, 57-7; 3. Howard Banich, UO, 56-5½.

LONG JUMP—1. Teddy Farmer, UO, 23-4½; 2. Larry Ladowski, WSU, 23-3½; 3. Robert Williams, WSU, 22-8¼.

STEEPLECHASE—1. Gary Barger, UO, 8:48.8; 2. Phil English, WSU, 8:58.4; 3. Mark Higginson, WSU, 9:05.0.

440 RELAY—1. Washington State (Emanuel Ackah, Kip Ngeno, Mike Cornell, Gary Minor), 40.6; 2. Oregon, 40.7.

POLE VAULT—1. Tinker Hatfield, UO, 16-7½; 2. Dennis Dudley, WSU, 10-0.3; 3. Craig Brigham, UO, 15-6. *New meet record—old mark, 16-3 by Jack Ernst, WSU, 1971.

1500 METERS—1. Matt Centrowitz, UO, 3:39.8; 2. Peter Spir, UO, 3:41.4; 3. Randall Markey, UO, 3:41.7. *New meet record—old mark, 3:46.5 by Mike McClendon, UO, 1972.

110 METER HIGH HURDLES—1. Kip Ngeno, WSU, 14.1; 2. John Woodman, UO, 14.1; 3. Dwight Owens, WSU, 14.3.

400 METERS—1. Dacre Bowen, WSU, 46.9; 2. Denizil Davis, UO, 47.5; 3. Mike Cornell, WSU, 47.5. *New meet record—old time, 47.7 by Vincent Buford, UO, 1972.

100 METERS—1. Gary Minor, WSU, 10.8; 2. Robert Curry, UO, 10.9; 3. Gary Carew, UO, 11.0.

TRIPLE JUMP—1. Alan Smith, WSU, 48-10¼; 2. Howard Malcolm, UO, 48-4¾; 3. Robert Williams, WSU, 46-9¼.

800 METERS—1. James Brewster, WSU, 1:50.1; 2. Dale Scott, WSU, 1:50.3; 3. Gary Sievers, UO, 1:51.7. *New meet record—old time, 1:51.3 by Wes Smylie, UO, 1972.

400 INTERMEDIATE HURDLES—1. Dave Hagmeier, UO, 52.2; 2. Larry Minor, WSU, 52.5; 3. Dwight Owens, WSU, 53.4.

DISCUS—1. Dave Voorhees, UO, 194-12; 2. Howard Banich, UO, 168-8; 3. Ray Burton, UO, 159-11.

HIGH JUMP—1. Al Darneille, WSU, 6-10; 2. Lee Braach, WSU, 6-8; 3. Craig Brigham, UO, 6-6.

200 METERS—1. Chris Brathwaite, UO, 21.8; 2. Robert Curry, UO, 21.8; 3. Mike Cornell, WSU, 22.1.

5000 METERS—1. Don Clary, UO, 13:45.2; 2. John Ngeno, WSU, 13:49.2; 3. Terry Williams, UO, 13:51.4.

MILE RELAY—1. Oregon (Gary Carew, Robert Curry, Dave Hagmeier, Dacre Bowen), 3:15.3; 2. Washington State did not finish.

TEAM—Oregon 95, Washington State 68.



Oregon's Williams led Kimombwa and Ngeno for only a short time.

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UO netters' win streak comes to abrupt halt

The Oregon women's tennis team downed Portland State 8-1 Friday to keep its win streak going but was abruptly derailed Saturday, dropping 8-1 and 5-4 decisions to Washington and Washington State in Seattle.

The Ducks, now 3-2, breezed past the Pilots, winning most of the matches by lopsided decisions and dropping only the No. 1 doubles match.

Then disaster struck. The Huskies, whom the Ducks figured would be tough, won everything except one doubles match in romping to the win.

The Oregon team of Brenda Stoud and Julie Hutchinson

was the only winner for the Ducks.

In the Washington State loss, Oregon took two of three doubles matches but could only capture two of six in the singles department.

Over the weekend, Debbie Borchers was 2-1, Patti Layton 1-2, Linda Hartling 2-1, Jeanette Florey 1-2, Stoud 1-2, and Hutchinson 1-2.

Oregon's next match is Tuesday against Oregon State on the Alder St. Courts at 3:30. The Ducks will travel to Monmouth the following day for a match against Oregon College of Education.

Oregon finishes fifth at Houston

HOUSTON — Oregon fought gusty winds, a tough course and fatigue to place fifth in the 25-team Houston All-American Golf Classic at Atascocita Country Club. In the process, the Ducks placed two men in the top 15 and bettered a half-dozen teams ranked ahead of them in the polls.

Senior All-American Peter Jacobsen, perhaps the meet's most consistent golfer with 70-71-72-72 — 285 over four days of competition — placed fifth in the individual medalist race. Teammate Jeff Sanders, a sophomore, tied for 14th at 291.

"The guys played extremely hard to earn this top five finish," said a pleased Jim Ferguson, fourth-year Oregon coach. "Our goal was to win it all, of course, but realistically, we knew that placing in the top five in this tournament would place us in the top ten in the nation."

The Ducks were ranked 18th in the most recent national poll, but bettered a half-dozen nationally ranked teams in this meet.

Top-rated Oklahoma State took the team trophy with 1152, followed by SMU (1161), Georgia (1163) and Texas (1167). Oregon edged host Houston and New Mexico, both 1182, for fifth place honors.

Individually, Georgia players finished one-two, Chip Beck (280) taking a three-stroke decision over teammate Tim Simpson, who tied with Buddy Gardner of Auburn at 283. Lindy Miller of Oklahoma State (284) edged Jacobsen for fourth, the Duck senior finishing three-under-par for the tournament.

For the second consecutive day, the golfers had to contend with unpredictable winds, reportedly gusting up to 45-miles-per-hour. Oregon's contingent fared better than most on the final day, shooting a 298 over the final 18, third only to SMU (296) and Oklahoma State (297).

The Ducks travel to Provo, Utah Friday for the annual Cougar Classic. Oregon will clash head-on with host Brigham Young Uni-

versity, currently ranked second in the nation. Other high-caliber competition includes New Mexico, Arizona State and a half-dozen West Coast and Rocky Mountain-area schools.

OREGON (1178) — Peter Jacobsen 70-71-72-72 — 285; Jeff Sanders 72-75-70-74 — 291; Scott Tuttle 75-72-73-77 — 297; Don Wiggins 74-77-79-75 — 305; Steve Prugh 81-82-77-82 — 322.

INDIVIDUAL — Chip Beck, Georgia, 68-69-71-72 — 280; Tim Simpson, Georgia, 72-70-68-73 — 283; Buddy Gardner, Auburn, 68-71-74-70 — 283; Lindy Miller, Oklahoma State, 75-70-69-70 — 284; PETER JACOBSEN, OREGON, 70-71-72-72 — 285; Keith Fergus, Houston, 70-74-71-70 — 285; Joey Hager, SMU, 73-70-73-70 — 286; Jamie Gonzales, Oklahoma State, 67-71-73-76 — 287; Randy Simmons, Texas, 73-71-75-69 — 288; Dave Edwards, Oklahoma State, 71-67-74-77 — 289; Mike DeBolt, SMU, 66-73-73-77 — 289; Tom Wilson, Texas, 67-72-75-75 — 289; Dave Walters, Texas Tech, 71-70-74-74 — 289; JEFF SANDERS, OREGON, 72-75-70-74 — 291; Brad Bryant, New Mexico, 69-72-72-78 — 291; Doug Higgins, North Texas State, 71-74-70-76 — 291.

TEAM — Oklahoma State 1152, SMU, 1161, Georgia 1163, Texas 1167, OREGON 1178, Houston 1182, New Mexico 1182, Texas Tech 1183, Auburn 1189, LSU 1190, Florida 1193, Alabama 1198, Florida State 1202, Texas A & M 1202, Oklahoma 1203, Memphis State 1204, North Texas State 1204, New Mexico State 1207, Arizona 1214, Missouri 1234, Rice 1235, Arkansas 1253, Colorado 1256, Baylor 1261, TCU 1275.