

Women seventh at nationals

Men romp to conference crown

Both Oregon cross country teams experienced some degree of surprise in their efforts Saturday, but the surprises only wound up in favor of the Ducks once.

Coach Bill Dellinger's men's team had already established the fact that it was the best team in the Pacific-8, but running in the Pac-8 championships in Palo Alto, the Ducks drove home the point convincingly by lambasting the eight team field and regaining the crown from Washington State.

Oregon's women, meanwhile, didn't have such a good time. Competing in the National Women's cross country championship meet in Madison, Wis., the Ducks arrived with bright hopes of a national title. But instead, Oregon was the victim of a less pleasant surprise, and had to settle for a respectable but disappointing seventh place.

While nothing seemed to go right for the women, nothing could go wrong for the Duck men. With Terry Williams leading the way, Oregon placed four men in the top 10 and Don Clary came in 12th to complete Oregon scoring. The superb effort left the Northern Division champs with 34 points, easily beating runner up WSU which had 45. Oregon's total could have been lower if Dave Taylor had competed, but the senior had to sit out the meet with a pulled hamstring.

Williams clocked in at 29:54.2 for the 10,000-meter jaunt, finishing behind Henry Rono, the freshman phenom from Washington State. After the Cougars' other two Kenyans streaked home third and fourth, the Duck assault began. Rudy Chapa and Alberto Salazar teamed up to give Oregon fifth and sixth, and Matt Centrowitz claimed ninth.

Clary's 12th place finish closed out Oregon scoring.

Next on the Duck agenda will be the national meet next Saturday in Denton, Texas. For the women, nationals is a thing of the past, and although the season was a success, Coach Tom Heinonen wouldn't have minded a higher finish Saturday.

"I don't know whether they just were flat or down after running a big meet at home the week before," sighed Heinonen.

A pair of factors that weren't so unclear were problems that hampered the efforts of Kim Spir and Ellen Schmidt.

Spir fell ill and ran the race under extremely trying conditions. Plagued by serious illness, last year's 20th place finisher could only manage 83rd before being taken away to health facilities. Schmidt

was also prevented from turning in the type of effort she thought she could by a fluke occurrence.

"Ellen got out very well and was in good shape after about 300 meters. But then she was knocked down and trampled," recalled the Duck coach. "That really hurt."

Those two events, combined with what Heinonen described as mediocre performances by the rest of the team, spelled disappointment for Oregon.

"There's not too much to be happy about," said Heinonen. "But seeing where the people came in I thought it was a real disaster. Then to find out we still got seventh, I was pleased we did that well."

Top placer for Oregon was Debbie Roth who took 32nd. Ellen Schmidt followed in 33rd with Katy Mountain, Kim Spir, Kori Hasselblad and Jennifer Bates coming in 54th, 83rd,

100th and 124th respectively.

"I'm really mystified about just exactly what happened," said Heinonen. "If the season had ended one week earlier we would have been doing hand-springs all winter. Now we've learned some things the hard way so we'll just fall back and regroup."

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PACIFIC-8—Oregon 31, Washington State 45, Washington 92, California 94, Stanford 127, UCLA 146, Oregon State 149, USC (no team).

WOMEN'S NATIONALS—Iowa State 62, Cal State-Northridge 110, Wisconsin-Madison 177, Michigan State 181, Penn State 188, UCLA 269, Oregon 300, Colorado State 314, Kansas State 356, New Mexico 357.

Ducks get yardage, but not much else

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In a contest in which Oregon came closest to resembling the wide-open game it's preached all year, Stanford capitalized on enough bugs left in the system to salvage a 28-17 Pacific-8 win Saturday at Autzen Stadium.

The Ducks, who averaged just 224 yards a game, outgained Stanford 425-265. They mostly came on the arms of Jack Henderson and Jerry Jurich who combined for 344 yards through the air.

Impressive statistics still couldn't give Oregon its first Pac-8 win as these major mistakes shot down the Ducks:

- Five interceptions, one returned for a touchdown and another leading to a touchdown giving Stanford a quick 14-0 lead.
- Eight penalties for 115 yards.
- A punt which bounced into Duck punt returner Steve Brouchet leading to another Stanford touchdown.

"The offense beat ourselves," said Oregon flanker Greg Bauer who tied Bob Newland's school record of 11 receptions. "There's no way anybody can convince me that Stanford stopped us. We

made a lot of mental mistakes. There's no explanation for it, but there's also no excuse for it."

Oregon's first play from scrimmage, a 28-yard pass from Henderson to Bauer, was an early indication of what the Ducks' game plan was.

Pacific 8

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
UCLA	6	0	0	9	0	1
USC	6	0	0	8	1	0
Stanford	4	2	0	5	5	0
Calif.	3	3	0	5	5	0
Washington	2	4	0	4	6	0
Wash. St.	2	4	0	3	7	0
Ore. St.	1	5	0	1	9	0
Oregon	0	6	0	3	7	0

Saturday's games

Stanford 28, Oregon 17
UCLA 45, Oregon State 14
USC 20, Washington 3
California 23, Washington State 22

Next Saturday's games

Oregon at Oregon State
USC at UCLA
Washington at Washington State
Stanford at California

son overthrew Bill Vincent and Rich Waters intercepted at the Duck 48. Waters ran behind a wave of Cardinal blockers, side stepped Henderson and pranced untouched into the end zone to give Stanford a 7-0 lead.

"We tried to shut off the outside receptions, and force them to go over the middle," said Waters. "On that play, we were in a three-deep zone. I was the deep man, and he just threw a bad pass."

The passing attack backfired again on the Ducks' next series when Gordy Cerisino intercepted a Henderson pass, and returned it 17 yards to the Oregon 26. On the next play, Stanford quarterback Guy Benjamin looked for receiver Tony Hill, but he was covered heavily on the right sideline by cornerback Reggie Grant.

With enough time to write home, Benjamin patiently waited for Hill to drift over the middle and hit him in front of Grant and safety Darrell Mellum for a 14-0 lead.

"He had so much time, but it was still my fault," said Grant. "We had him man-to-man with help deep. The key was that I hesitated, and I turned around and it was six."

"You don't hesitate against the best."

The Benjamin-to-Hill connection dug the Ducks deeper in a hole on Stanford's next series. Starting from their own 17, the Cardinals used a 22-yard run by Ron Inge and a pass interference penalty on Brouchet to move the ball to the Duck 37. After three runs by Inge and a 16-yard pass to Don Stevenson at the 12, Hill made a great one-handed catch over Brouchet straight up the sideline for a touchdown.

So with three minutes left in the first quarter, the Ducks found themselves down 21-0 and another rout in the making.

"We felt we had enough of an effort to win," said Oregon Coach Don Read whose Ducks now stand at 0-6 in conference and 3-7 over all. "We didn't execute well enough, and the ball bounced the wrong way. I don't know how to explain it."

The Ducks moved the ball well in the second quarter with Henderson's passing and strong running by George Bennett. But the Cardinals stacked up the Ducks whenever they reached Stanford territory, and Oregon could only muster a 42-yard field goal in the first half.

"I could tell when they were setting up to pass because of the way their linemen kept lining up with their weight on their back feet," said Cardinal defensive end Duncan McColl who had 11 tackles. "I knew right away when they were passing, and it was just a matter of getting by the tackle."

A small ray of hope broke through the gray clouds in the third quarter when the Ducks drove 48 yards for a score. Henderson hit Jim Johnson for 15 yards to the 33 before Johnson ran three more to the 30. Johnson then caught a screen pass, and weaved down the left sideline for a touchdown. The fake extra point try failed, and Oregon trailed 21-9, with momentum on its side.

Then the roof fell in.

Oregon forced Stanford to punt on its next series, but the ball abruptly bounced into Brouchet and John Olenchak recovered at the 18. A personal foul moved the ball to the 13 where Bill Francis ran three yards to the 10, and around left end for a touchdown with 1:08 left in the period.

It gave the Cardinals a 28-9 lead which was too much for the error-plagued Ducks to overcome.

So what's left for Oregon which has lost six straight, hasn't had an upset since Dick Enright's team beat Stanford 15-13 in 1972 and closes out its season next Saturday against 1-9 Oregon State?

"I'm aiming for the Beavers," said Bauer. "It won't salvage my season, but it's the only thing we've got left."

Stanford	21	0	7	0	28
Oregon	0	3	6	8	17

S — Waters 48 pass interception (Michel kick)
S — Hill 26 pass from Benjamin (Michel kick)
S — Hill 12 pass from Benjamin (Michel kick)
O — Gelger 42 field goal
O — Johnson 30 pass from Henderson (Pass failed)
S — Francis 10 run (Michel kick)
O — Johnson 1 run (Jurich run)



Photo by Mike Marino

Tom Cafferty grabs a 16-yard pass from quarterback Jack Henderson as Cardinals Rich Waters and Jeff Barton converge in first quarter action. Henderson was 22 of 46 for 277 yards in Oregon's 28-17 loss Saturday. Waters, however, provided the biggest blow with a 48-yard interception return to get Stanford rolling.

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V-ballers' rip foes

Led by the accurate-hitting duo of Shawna Baxter and Sue Stadler, Oregon's volleyball team put itself in prime position for the upcoming regional tournament by trouncing four opponents in the weekend's Oregon Invitational.

Accuracy was the key in all of the Duck's games, as they registered a "good hit" percentage of over 80 per cent in all four contests.

Against Central Washington, perhaps Oregon's toughest opponent in the two-day affair, a spectacular 65 per cent of all the

Ducks' hits were "winners" and made possible a three-game sweep of 15-12, 15-13 and 15-11. Stadler led the Ducks with a 91 per cent good-hit average, while Elayne Logan zeroed in for 80 per cent.

"The big thing was that we began to come together as a team," said Oregon Coach Karla Rice. "Our plays began working, and we were hitting a lot better."

Oregon went through the Invitational without dropping a game as it also blitzed Montana State, Idaho and Eastern Washington.