

# sports

## Ducks host powerful Hoosiers in swim meet

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The University of Oregon Men's "Aqua Duck" swim team could look more like sitting ducks this weekend as they face the highly-talented, highly-ranked Indiana Hoosier swim team in the

Oregon-Indiana Invitational meet at Leighton Pool this weekend.

Dr. James Councilman, Hoosier coach since 1958, has been very, very successful. During his tenure, Councilman's squads have lost but six dual meets and only two since 1960. His teams have not surrendered

the Big-10 swim title since 1961 and have won six national championships.

Anchoring the Hoosiers is Brazilian sophomore Djan Madruga, expected to be the next of a long string of great swimmers out of Indiana, that includes Mark Spitz. Like Spitz, Madruga is an

ex-Olympian, finishing fourth in both the 400 and 1500 meter freestyle events in the 1976 Montreal games.

Two juniors, Rick Hofstetter and Brazilian Romulo Arantes, should also score well. Hofstetter finished fourth in the 200-meter breaststroke at the national collegiate meet last year and was a member of the winning medley relay team. Arantes also won the 100 backstroke at the World University Games last summer. Oregon Coach Rich Schleicher calls the two swimmers "tremendous."

Indiana also has a high school All-American in freshman Chuck Sharpe, whom Schleicher noted was the best high school sprinter in the county last year.

Schleicher admits that the Ducks have "no chance to beat Indiana." He added few teams in the country have a chance of beating Indiana.

According to Schleicher, the only probably bright spot for the

Ducks will be senior Steve Hamilton.

"The backstroke and individual medley events will be the closest we can come to them with Hamilton," Schleicher said. "He will give it a championship try."

Schleicher said qualifying entry times for the events were set purposely high to attract a maximum number of top-flight entrants.

Getting Indiana to come to Eugene to compete with the Ducks was Schleicher's doing. There was a method to his madness, though.

"If we're going to compete in anything, we've got to prepare for someone who's good. We can always pull ringers — the big names — I want to expose the team to good teams," said Schleicher.

Help with recruiting and a top-flight schedule are the reasons Schleicher wanted to bring Indiana out west.

The meet will begin Friday evening at 6:30 p.m., and continue Saturday at 1 p.m.

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## Women try to qualify

The University women's swim team, behind its trio of nationally-ranked standouts, will set out in hopes of AIAW qualifying times in other events this weekend in the Oregon-Indiana Invitational.

Led by Kathy Hemmer, Michelle Menkens and Tama Cuddeback, the women will be in search of top times in the 200 medley and 200 freestyle relays. Coach Virginia Van Rossen will be putting together her top teams for those races in hopes of qualifying for the

national meet, held later this year.

Hemmer's time of 4:36.88 in the 400 individual medley was the fourth fastest clocking by a collegiate swimmer through the end of the year. Cuddeback was ranked sixth in the 200 breaststroke and Menkens 12th in the 100 freestyle.

The women will compete in an open meet against AAU swimmers Friday night and will host Central Washington on the second day.

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### Cross-country ski race Sunday

Two cross-country ski races will be held Sunday at noon at Little Odell Butte, on Highway 58 at the Willamette Pass. The races are of five and 10 kilometers, with the course being over a prepared track.

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