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## Ducks revert to old ways in loss to Cal

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BERKELEY, Calif. — Everything that Oregon had gained in two straight Pac-8 wins it lost Saturday afternoon.

Through lack of intensity, bad shooting, poor defense or whatever, Oregon managed to take a giant step backwards in a 76-67 Pac-8 loss to California.

Oregon, now 4-7, managed to escape a terrible first half Thursday night at Stanford, but Saturday they weren't so lucky. After racing to a 10-3 lead with six minutes gone, the Ducks went lethargic and didn't score again for another six minutes, after Cal had taken a 12-10 lead.

They took the lead once more, 14-12, on a Phil Barner jump shot, but that was it. The rest of the televised game was worse than a rerun of "Wild Kingdom".

"There's no real mystery," said Oregon coach Dick Harter. "They (Cal) played hard, and we didn't. Bad is a kind word for my team today."

Oregon woke up somewhat in the final minutes of the game, but even then their hustle went for naught. Down 69-57 with 1:09 left, the Ducks hit three driving shots — but drew charging calls after every one. Cal's Doug True made three freethrows in the meantime and the outcome stayed the same.

"I thought we played hard in the last 10 minutes," Harter said somberly. "I thought we'd catch them, but with the charging calls, we were just trading baskets." kets."

## Kelch, Truedson shine as Ducks win PNW title

Jim Kelch of Oregon qualified for the U.S. Gymnastics Federation nationals as the Flying Ducks won the Pacific Northwest Championship in Portland over the weekend.

Kelch scored a total of 106.5 in the all-around competition to beat the qualifying mark of 106 needed for the USGF meet. He won the compulsory all-around competition Sunday with a 54.2 total after taking third Saturday with 52.3

Oregon swept the ring both

It was the kind of afternoon in which, once the Ducks got behind, you doubted they could come back. The only thing gained in Harmon Gym was the knowledge that, after nearly a year to the contrary, Oregon is once again a one-man team.

Felton Sealey has become damn important.

"We're not 75 percent of what we are when he's in the game," Harter said of the 6-4 freshman. "He's absolutely essential to this team."

And then, the inevitable. "He's as much an MVP as Greg Ballard was last year," he added. "Without him, there's no leadership."

Saturday, there sure wasn't. Sealey left with three fouls at the halfway mark of the first half, when Oregon led, 10-6. He returned at 16:04 of the second half, and the Ducks trailed 34-22. In those 14 minutes, Oregon looked like the wandering lost.

"I couldn't start the second half with Felton (because of the three fouls)," Harter sighed. "Add it up — see what the score was when Felton was in the game. My guess is that we won."

Yep, 29-22 to be exact. Trouble is, that when Sealey got in foul trouble, Harter was forced to go to the bench. It didn't pan out.

"The same people that didn't respond Thursday night, didn't respond today," Harter said. "The trouble is, it spread to the young people."

At times Cal took advantage of the Ducks' apathy to put on a full-court passing exhibition. Gene

Ransom was in foul trouble also and scored only four points. But he still combined with 6-11 center Tom Schneiderjohn for some bombs that looked right out of Rich Brooks' playbook.

One only needed to gander at the free throw line to see more evidence of non-hustle. Cal shot 15 times from the stripe — making twelve — when the Ducks resorted to the "arm-defense." Oregon though, didn't shoot any until Sealey — fittingly — tanked one of two with five minutes gone after intermission.

"There's not too much force," Harter said, "when you don't shoot a foul shot for a half."

There wasn't much force inside, either. Oregon seemed content to launch shots from the 15-20 foot range, while Cal's range was usually 10 feet and in. Sealey was the only prevalent Duck underneath, as Schneiderjohn and his mates blocked eight other Oregon attempts inside.

"Felton stands out so much because there aren't too many aggressive guys out there," Harter said frankly. "He's our best player inside on the zone, but he's also our best baseline guy and our best point guy."

## Women snag weekend wins

Looking like they have a case of the mid-season blahs, Oregon's women's basketball team won a pair of sloppily played games last weekend, beating Portland State 67-58 Friday and Dr. Bernard's AAU team 70-58 Sunday.

After spotting PSU a one-point lead with seven minutes gone in the first half, the Ducks scored 10 unanswered points in the next four minutes to put the game away. Debbie Adams led the Ducks with 17, and grabbed 12 rebounds. Six-foot-three inch freshman Lynne Holzfluss of PSU was leading scorer and rebounder for the game with 22 and 18 respectively.

Shannon Kelly scored on her first five field goal attempts to give Oregon a 10-6 lead that it never gave up against Dr. Bernard. Oregon's Tara Smith was high for the Ducks with 13 points while Dr. Bernard's Cheryl Trainer high for the game with 20.

Generally, the whole game was sloppy. In the eight minute stretch when the Bears took the lead for good, the action had the folks turning back and forth like a tennis match.

It began when Sealey stole the ball from Cal's Kevin Singleton and drove the length of the floor for a lay-in. Then Cal turned a block shot into a basket by Schneiderjohn. Mike Drummond had a 20-footer go in and out for Oregon, but at the other end, after a foul, Cal couldn't get the ball in under five seconds.

The Ducks then played popcorn machine with four straight tips that

missed, but Barner got it back with a steal. Schneiderjohn then rejected Hartshorne underneath, Stu Lyon traveled, Barner lofted an intended pass for Drummond into the stands and, well, you get the idea.

"We've been trying to get the intensity up since October 15," Harter said. "We'll just have to try again."

The way things looked, it's definitely back to the drawing board.

Oregon (67) — Barner 4, Clark 2, Davis 2, Drummond 10, Sealey 13, Small 12, Hartshorne 3, Lyon 2, Murray 14, Cross, Mack 4.  
California (76) — Singleton 9, True 9, Schneiderjohn 16, Caselli 12, Ransom 4, Davis 1, Mitchell 4, Gillespie 7, Griffith, Villotti 14.



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## Wrestlers beat Portland State

Oregon won by the biggest margin ever over Portland State's wrestlers Saturday as it took the first six straight matches en route to a 38-9 win in Mac Court Saturday.

It was the Ducks' easiest mat win of the year. Oregon won all but the 167- and 177-pound weight classes.

Oregon's Don Brown, who had set a school record earlier while in the 190 class, was moved to heavyweight but still won, defeating PSU's MIKE Wagner 6-3.

Scott Bliss upped his season record to 30-6 with a win over Mike McKernan, 20-9. Norm Knight, Larry Gleason, Dave Lofts, Steve Starzenski, Dan Hollembaek and Randy Besaw also won for Oregon.

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