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Duck's performance against San Jose matches weather

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When it rains, it pours.
The men's track team must have thought so, both weather- and competition-wise, as the San Jose Spartans ran away with a 90-64 duel meet win over the Ducks at Hayward Field Saturday.

It was definitely duck weather — a light rain that turned into a downpour late in the meet — but the factor that beat Oregon was San Jose's depth.

"We need more depth," said coach Bill Dellinger after San Jose's lopsided win. "It's tough to have with only 14 scholarships and when we're depending on walk-ons for depth."

Don Coleman's absence in the 100 and 200 because of muscle spasms cost the Ducks some points in those events. Andrew Banks, who was the only Duck entered in the sprints, was first in the 100 and third in the 200.

Coleman did anchor the 400 relay, but pulled up with 30 meters because of spasms, just as he had caught San Jose's Don Whitaker. It was the only event Coleman ran all day.

"I could have run, but didn't want to take any chances in this weather," said Coleman. The problem is not related to his hamstring pull. "The hamstring is solid. I will stay off the leg a couple of days and then start jogging. I'll probably just be able to run in the meets."

For the second week in a row, pole vaulter Tom Hintnaus has not vaulted up to his capabilities. In both the Long Beach and UCLA meets, he cleared 17-0. Last week Hintnaus could not clear his opening height and this week cleared

only 16-0.

Hintnaus said part of his problem is poor weather to practice in and another part is a lack of confidence after he missed the vaulting pit in practice before the UCLA meet.

"I couldn't get off the ground last week, my legs felt weak," said Hintnaus. "This week my legs felt good. Vaulting in the fieldhouse I use a softer pole and the runway is different."

"Last week in the rain I had no confidence. That hurts me. My confidence is coming back," Hintnaus said. "I only practiced once this week. On a good day, if I get on a stiffer pole I will do better."

All was not gloom for the Ducks, but they just couldn't keep up with the Spartans: Rudy Chapa doubled for the third week in a row, this week in the 800 and the 1,500; Don Clary improved his national qualifying time in the 5,000; Jeff Stover threw lifetime bests in both the shot and the hammer; Jim Bell ran for a lifetime best in the intermediate hurdles; Alberto Salazar ran a personal best and was second to Chapa in the 1,500; and Al Shibley threw for a personal best in the discus, keeping San Jose's Bob Gummerson from placing. But it wasn't enough.

"It was my most consistent series," said Stover of his shot puts. "Three times I was over 62 feet today. 183-0 and the NCAA's are my goal in the hammer."

"I was happy with my runs," said Chapa. "I wasn't going for anything. I was not sure I was running until Thursday. I wasn't keyed up and I didn't push."

Matt Centrowitz, one of Chapa's running mates in both the 800 and the 1,500, placed fifth in the 800, saying the weather did not help his performance and that the 800 is not one of his better events.

"I expected me to be tougher," said Centrowitz of his 800 run. He said he was aware the Spartans had some good 800 runners. "I could have run faster, I was running for place (third), I didn't care about the time. I'm disappointed."

In contrast, Jim Bell said he's finally got the first half of his intermediate hurdle run put together like he wants.



Photo by Mike Baer

Oregon's sprint corps was hurt by the loss of Don Coleman due to muscle spasms, but Andrew Banks turned in an impressive 10.4 in taking the 100 meter dash.

"I try to run a PR (personal record) every week," said Bell. "One of my strategies is I try to catch the guy in the next lane by the first hurdle. When I've done that — PR."

Hammer — 1. John McArdle, Oregon, 195-4. 2. Jeff Stover, Oregon, 183-1. 3. Coleman Kells, San Jose, 179-10.

Shot Put — 1. Jeff Stover, Oregon, 63-4 1/4. 2. Bob Feurbach, San Jose, 60-11 1/4. 3. Dave Voorhees, Oregon, 60-11.

440 Relay — San Jose (Marcus Washington, Dedy Cooper, Gary Ellis, Ron Whitaker), 40.6. Oregon, 41.0.

Long Jump — 1. Dave Brown, San Jose, 23-11 (new meet record, old mark, 23-10 1/4). 2. Rex White, San Jose, 23-9. 3. Jon Ogard, Oregon, 22-10 1/4.

Javelin — 1. Frank Dejak, San Jose, 245-8 (new meet record, old mark, 236-2). 2. Ron Perkins, Oregon, 214-2. 3. Rich Stewart, San Jose, 209-10.

Pole Vault — 1. Greg Woepse, San Jose, 16-6 (new meet record, old mark, 15-6 1/2). 2. Tom Hintnaus, Oregon, 16-0. 3. Doug Bockmiller, San Jose, 15-0.

1,500 — 1. Rudy Chapa, Oregon, 3:43.2. 2. Alberto Salazar, Oregon, 3:45.5. 3. Matt Centrowitz, Oregon, 3:45.6.

High Hurdles — 1. Dedy Cooper, San Jose, 14.56. 2. Mike Kirtman, San Jose, 14.67. 3. Don Finley, San Jose, 15.19.

400 — 1. Marvin Roches, San Jose, 47.83. 2. Deanet, San Jose, 48.42. 3. Eric Lindsay, Oregon, 49.60.

800 — 1. Rudy Chapa, Oregon, 1:51.85. 2. John Albrecht, San Jose, 1:52.60. 3. Lupe Chavez, San Jose, 1:53.47.

Triple Jump — 1. Ron Livers, San Jose, 50-8 1/2 (new meet record, old mark, 49-3 1/2). 2. Larry Johnson, San Jose, 48-10 1/2. 3. Anthony Berry, Oregon, 48-5 1/4.

Intermediate Hurdles — 1. Jim Bell, Oregon, 51.66. 2. Greg Davis, San Jose, 54.90. 3. Mike Chriss, Oregon, 55.49.

Discus — 1. Dave Voorhees, Oregon, 187-11 (new meet record, old mark, 176-7 1/2). 2. Bob Feurbach, San Jose, 168-4. 3. Al Shibley, Oregon, 162-1.

200 — 1. Dedy Cooper, San Jose, 21.10. 2. Ron Whitaker, San Jose, 21.63. 3. Andrew Banks, Oregon, 21.78.

High Jump — 1. Keith Nelson, San Jose, 6-8. 2. Ron Livers, San Jose, 6-8. 3. Sly Pritchett, San Jose, 6-8.

5,000 — 1. Don Clary, Oregon, 13:55.65. 2. Bill McChesney, Oregon, 14:08.23. 3. Art Boileau, Oregon, 14:30.69.

100 — 1. Andrew Banks, Oregon, 10.4. 2. Ron Whitaker, San Jose, 10.7. 3. Mark Kirtman, San Jose, 10.7.

4x100 Relay — San Jose (Don Finley, Lionel Foster, Paul Desmet, Dedy Cooper) 3:21.4. Oregon, 3:24.9.

Team scores: San Jose State 90, Oregon 64.

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