

Duck stickers win and lose in own tourney

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Oregon's field hockey team swarmed with action this weekend, not all of it victorious, but certainly in step with the collective goal of improvement.

After being beaten by last year's fourth-ranked team in the nation, San Jose State, 2-0 Friday afternoon, the Ducks showed their resiliency Saturday, taming Idaho, 3-0 and Oregon College of Education, 6-0, in the five-team Oregon Invitational.

Now 10-2-1, Oregon controlled their match with Idaho from the outset. The Vandals jelled toward the end of the first half, testing goalie Mo Sullivan three times. She repelled each attack, and the teams were in a scoreless tie at the half.

It didn't stay that way for long. Oregon's Bindy Stillwell initiated a rush, threading through Idaho's defense. She hit Stacy Allman, and Allman centered it to Ronnie DellaMotta. DellaMotta drilled it home for her tenth goal in 12 games, giving the Ducks a 1-0 lead six minutes into the second half.

Lynn Manildi clinched it for the Ducks, scoring two goals 30 seconds apart at 18:00 and 18:30. Her first tally again was the result of a play begun by Stillwell, who dished the ball off to Nancy Pedrotti, who then sent it to Manildi. The junior transfer from Ohlone (Cal.) C.C. flicked a shot past goalie Teresa Lowder to make it 2-0.

Half a minute later Manildi wrapped it up on an unassisted rush.

The Ducks' controlled the tempo with accurate passing, forcing play in Idaho's territory the remaining 17 minutes. Idaho's Lowder made 33 saves; Sullivan needed to make but four.

Coach Nancy Plantz was pleased with the game, "especially the second half. We were faster than they were and had good passing, but we need to be more aggressive in the circle."

After San Jose State steamrolled the Portland Roadrunners, 7-0, Oregon played their second game in three hours against Oregon College of Education which Oregon soundly whipped earlier in the week. This game was more of the same.

Stillwell continued her brilliant afternoon, scoring two goals, as did right-winger Allman. Cathy McCullough tallied once and Nancy Pedrotti unleashed a wicked drive late in the contest to send the Wolves home howling.

In the goal, Sullivan fought off rigor mortis, touching the ball only once against OCE and five times on the day. She credited the sturdy defensive crew of Katy Moore, Hanna Munson, Karen Cosper and Cindy Stocker.

"They're really good," the sophomore goalie said. "I have confidence in all my defensive players. But we haven't even peaked yet — we're getting better and better every game."

Indeed, so is Sullivan. Her effort against San Jose State (30 saves) kept Oregon in the game against the more experienced Spartans.

Pommy MacFarlane, San Jose's dominant player and a member of South Africa's national team, scored once in each half.

Leta Walker, now in her 24th year as the Spartans' coach, praised Oregon, calling them "greatly improved. Their stickwork is good and they play well together. I expect them to do quite well in the future."

The future is precisely where Plantz and her squad are peering. The Ducks host Willamette Tuesday night at 8 p.m. at Autzen Stadium and Pacific Lutheran Friday. Oregon has already beaten both teams this season. Saturday, however, the adrenalin will surge when the Ducks meet Washington State, undefeated in their conference.

Plantz liked the way Oregon rebounded from Friday's tough loss to dominate Saturday's two foes. She praised several players.

"Bindy (Stillwell) was responsible for a lot of goals. She has much to do with our success. When Lynn (Manildi) loosened up she really played well, and Stacy Allman is improving all the time."

Other scores from the Oregon Invitational included San Jose State's crunching of Idaho, 7-0, and the Roadrunners hammered OCE, 8-0.

Suns set on Trail Blazers, 124-116

PORTLAND (AP) — Walter Davis scored 28 points and Paul Westphal added 20 more as the Phoenix Suns won their fourth National Basketball Association game in five outings, defeating the injury-plagued Portland Trail Blazers 124-116 Sunday night.

Alvan Adams chipped in 16 for the Suns, who handed Portland its fourth loss in five games.

Phoenix took advantage of 16 turnovers by the Blazers in the first half to open up a 63-52 lead.

But with Larry Steele leading the charge, the Blazers scored the first nine points of the third quarter to cut the Phoenix lead to two.

Steele, however, picked up his fourth personal foul with 6:40 remaining in the third quarter and the Suns spurted back on top 79-71.

Clemon Jones' seven points sparked another Portland rally and they tied the game at 79. Then Davis, Westphal and Marty Byrnes each hit two baskets to put the Suns in command once and Oregon Daily Emerald

for all with a 93-83 lead after three quarters.

Steele led the Blazers with 29 points. Ropkie Mychal Thompson had 18 points, but fouled out with 8:38 to go and Portland 103-92.

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Oregon's goalie Maureen Sullivan was tested often by San Jose State, but the sophomore allowed just two goals.

Rodgers wins N.Y. Marathon — again

NEW YORK (AP) — Unflappable Bill Rodgers, maintaining a torrid pace despite unseasonable heat, won the New York City Marathon Sunday for the third consecutive year while Greta Waitz of Norway ran the fastest time ever for a woman in a marathon.

Rodgers showed the way in the field of more than 11,000 runners — twice the number entered last year.

The 30-year-old red-haired Rodgers, from Melrose, Mass., was timed in 2 hours, 12 minutes, 12 seconds, about four minutes above the world mark of 2:08.34 set by Derek Clayton of Australia in 1969 in Belgium.

Rodgers hold the American mark of 2:09.55 set in winning the Boston Marathon for the first time in 1975 — he also won this year. And he previously won the New York City Marathon in 2:10.09 in 1976 and in 2:11.287 last year.

He won again Sunday in 72-degree weather. However, the former school teacher obviously handled the heat. He stayed with the early leaders in the grueling 26-mile, 385-yard race for the first five miles. He forged to the front at about the eight-mile mark, dueled with Garry Bjorklund for the next seven miles, then pulled away to an easy victory. Ian Thompson of

Great Britain finished second, about two minutes back.

Waitz, running in her first marathon, was a surprise winner among the women in 2:32.30, eclipsing the women's record of 2:34.48 set by Christa Vahlen-

sieck of West Germany last year.

The 25-year-old Waitz, however, is no stranger to long-distance running. She holds women's world records for 3,000 meters and cross country.

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