

## San Diego St. invades Friday

# Offense in high gear as opener nears

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Basketball coach Jim Haney says his team is still sputtering, but Saturday night's intrasquad game looked as if the Ducks have their new offense in high gear.

The Green beat the Gold 85-64,

and the field goal percentages of 64 percent and 54 percent displayed presence of something missing from last year's team — shooting.

Many of the shots were lay-ins, attributable to the offensive movement. "We had better knowledge of getting into our offense,"

says Haney. "We also showed intelligence in recognizing offensive opportunities."

Turnovers were still a problem, and blocking out on rebounds was sparse according to the coach, but the offensive firepower was significant. "The Green guards (Stu Lyon and Barry Walker) got us into

our offense," he says.

Once the offense was initiated, post-man Dan Hartshorne took over. With 11 for 13 shooting, the junior had 23 points and four assists. "The ball comes to me, and it is my job to pass and set picks," he says.

It's also his self-imposed task to direct the players. "I have a louder voice than some of the other players and I'm not afraid to use it," he says.

Hartshorne is excited about the new offense, and its variations. "We have a counter for every defensive move, and I think other teams are going to have a hard time defending us."

Hartshorne's responsibility on defense is checking his man and checking the key, and he says intensity is necessary. "Every man is integral in our defense, and

everybody has to beat the ball down the court," he says.

Rich Davis led both teams with 10 rebounds, and tied for the lead in assists with Walker with five each. "Rich had some good moves offensively and he played me tough on defense," says Hartshorne.

Improvement on both sides was evident, and Hartshorne thinks the team's potential is just beginning to show. "I'm really excited for the beginning of the season," he says.

Haney is less optimistic, realizing the season is just four days away, and the Ducks still need work.

"San Diego State will be a real test, we'll just have to come out and play tough defense to allow time for our offense to adjust to their defense," he says.

## Heinonen satisfied with results despite women's fifth place finish

The women's cross country team pulled out a fifth place finish in the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women's national cross country meet in Denver, Colo., Saturday.

Colorado's Mary Decker bettered her own course record by 1:18.6, winning in 16:59.4. Iowa State won its fourth straight team championship, the only team to have won the AIAW title.

"We were pleased with the way things came out," coach Tom Heinonen said of the race. "For a while it looked pretty bleak—the time between the race and when the results were posted—but to get a fifth out of that field with all the problems each team encountered, we're happy."

Oregon's scoring five were Cheri Williams, who finished in 32nd, Ellen Schmidt in 35th, Robin Baker in 48th, Katy Mountain in 89th and Lori Alzner in 114th.

"Our individual scores were much higher than last year," Heinonen said.

The altitude at which the race

was run, 5,200 feet, affected nearly every team, Heinonen said.

"Everybody (on the Oregon team) ran the strategy I wanted—to move up gradually from the back of the pack to minimize the effects of the altitude, but because the pace was so much faster than I thought it would be, it didn't work," he said.

"Our top three (Williams, Schmidt and Baker) did exactly what I told them to. It's a tribute to them that they kept their composure running behind in a field that big. If we had to do it again, I'd ask them to go faster, but I'm still not sure if that would be the right tactic."

"The altitude jumbled the results more than you would usually see at a national championship meet. Wisconsin's number three runner finished as their number one runner, and Cal's number two and three runners both finished worse than 100th."

Heinonen said the team's goals for the season were realized.

"Our goal was to win the regionals again and to finish in the top

five at nationals. When you sweep the region (finishing 1-2-3-4-5) you can't ask for more than that. At nationals, Colorado had a clear advantage in training and racing at altitude. We beat Cal in the meet that counted."

"At nationals, you can't expect a small split (difference between the first and fifth runners), especially at that altitude. Ours was 51 seconds."

There is a possibility that Baker and Schmidt will represent the Oregon Track Club in the AAU national cross country championships in Memphis, Tenn., Saturday, but a decision won't be made by the club until later in the week.

**Oregon's finishers**—32, Cheri Williams, 18:09.35, Ellen Schmidt, 18:12.48, Robin Baker, 18:21.89, Katy Mountain, 18:44.114, Lori Alzner, 19:00.149, Jody Parker, 19:23.197, Molly Morton, 20:14.

**Team scores**—Iowa State 119, North Carolina State 144, Penn State 145, Colorado 147, Oregon 180.

## Freshmen-led swimmers win debut

The Oregon men's swim team won nine of 13 events to easily outdistance Puget Sound 82-31 in dual meet action Saturday at Leighton Pool.

The Ducks' George Koch performed up to expectations by taking first in both the 200 intermediate medley and the 400 breast stroke, in addition to swimming a leg on Oregon's winning 400 medley relay.

"George (Koch) did a super job. He swam an excellent leg in the relay and really came through," says Oregon coach, Rich Schleicher.

The Duck coach had praise for the team as a whole, and was especially pleased with the performance of his freshmen swimmers who accounted for 58 of the team's 82 points.

"I feel we had a good start towards our ultimate goal. We want to be able to compete favorably in the Pac-10 and hope to qualify some men in the NCAA," he says.

The three Oregon divers swept all three spots in the one- and three-meter springboard. Placing first in every event was freshman Jeff Smith, a high school all-American from Colorado.

"Jeff handled the pressure well in his first meet. He matched his performance from workout, so we're pleased," states diving coach John Lloyd.

The Oregon divers will next compete in the Portland AAU meet Dec. 1, while the swim team travels to Seattle Dec. 1-3, for the Husky Invitational.

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