

# Volleyballer's attitude, play praised

Ensworth called 'one of new breed'

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When the women's volleyball team plays in the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women's Region 9 tournament this weekend in Pullman, Wash., coach Chris Voelz will be looking for smart, aggressive, consistent play. One player Voelz says has combined all three qualities all season has been hitter Annetta Ensworth.



Photo by Patrick Sullivan

Voelz praises Ensworth, a 5-11 freshman from Bend, for her positive team-oriented attitude, a willingness to work and for front line play that combines aggressiveness, savvy and consistency.

"Ensworth is one of a new breed of female athletes who know what they want, will push themselves and won't settle for anything less," Voelz says. "She's tremendously coachable."

For Ensworth, it has been a year of transition, and getting used to Voelz's system of discipline has not been a problem, Ensworth says. The reason, she says, is her father, Jack, who coached her long before she enrolled at Oregon. "After having my Dad coaching me, I'm pretty used to it. I can take it."

"He's probably been the biggest influence in my life. He got me started in athletics and he was always there saying, 'you can do it, just keep going.'"

Ensworth says she has always gotten "that little extra help from Dad" that included opening the gym for Saturday and Sunday workouts and his photographic memory. "He could remember just about any shot I took in a basketball game or play I made in volleyball."

The extra practice and coaching helped make her one of the

best players on the Bend High School volleyball and basketball teams, and continues to pay dividends now.

Voelz says Ensworth is her most consistent power hitter and her court savvy and tempered nature are the reasons. "She'll dink, she'll clear, she'll hit the off-speed shots that will get her points rather than just hitting for power on every shot. People who hit only power will hit one in and then one out, so you're still only one for two."

Ensworth doesn't mind taking the blame for a mistake to help take pressure off her teammates, Voelz says. Ensworth says she feels "I can shake things off pretty quickly and get right back in there."

The transition from high school to college athletics for Ensworth has meant part-time play and adjustment to a style that is more powerful than she played at the high school level.

She says there is "a lot more hitting and blocking here than in high school." Voelz is quite pleased with the freshman's progress. "The exciting thing about Annetta is that her intensity is increasing. It started at a high level and has escalated."

Playing against better athletes in college has not intimidated Ensworth; she sees it as a challenge.

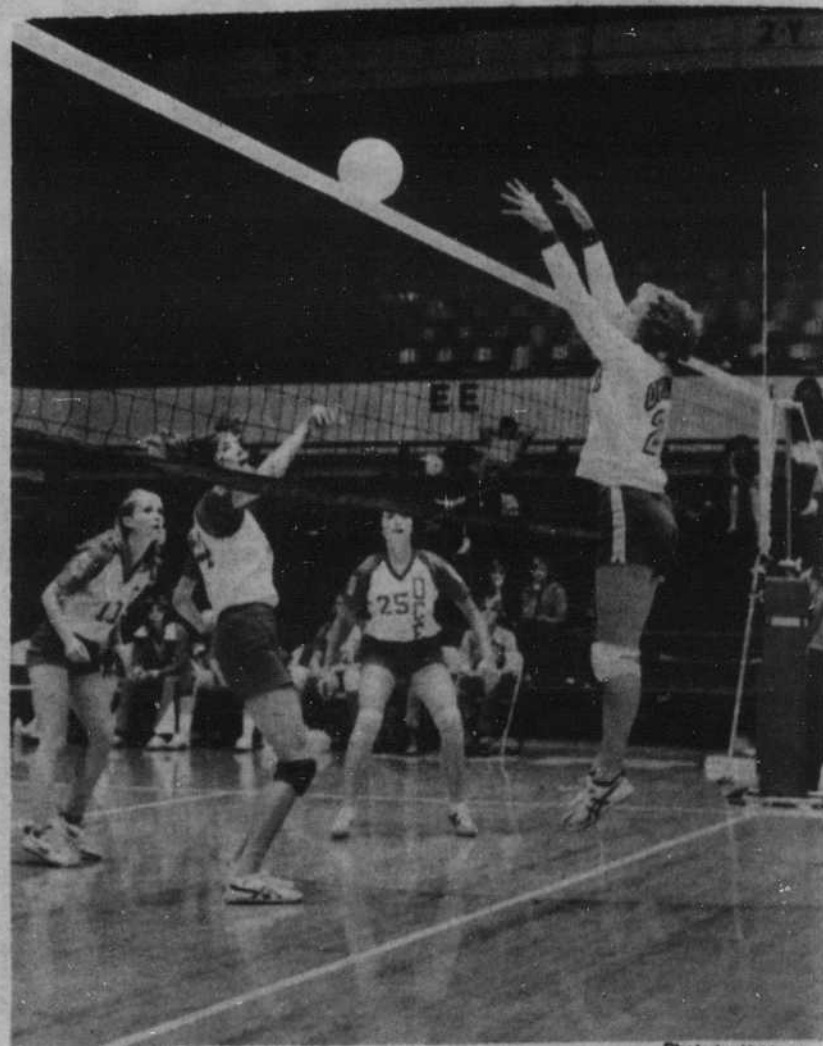


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Annetta Ensworth is called by volleyball coach Chris Voelz "one of a new breed of female athletes who know what they want, will push themselves and won't settle for anything less."

"Other players say, 'she's 6-3; she's in the front row, watch out!' But when you go up to block against somebody like that or hit against them it's really a challenge."

This weekend Ensworth and

teammates accept the challenge when they go against the best college teams in the Northwest and she is confident the trip to Pullman will win the Ducks a trip to the national tournament in Alabama in December.

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