

Women knock out Beavers in second round

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Playing the same team four times in a season has its advantages and disadvantages, especially when the only game that really counts is the one at the end of the season.

Oregon's women's basketball team has met and defeated Oregon State University twice this season, including Friday's 73-64 decision. The teams are scheduled for one more league game and, unless something unforeseen happens, the two teams should meet in the Region 9 championship — the game which decides who goes to nationals.

"We can't afford to take any game against them (OSU) lightly," said Oregon coach Elwin Heiny. "I'd rather we didn't meet them at all. This team (Oregon) is a good team and it takes all we can to hold them."

During his four-year tenure at the University, Heiny's teams hold a commanding 10-1 series lead over OSU. But Oregon's one loss to the Beavers two years ago was the regional championship contest, which

sent OSU to nationals and the Ducks home to lick their wounds.

Only two Ducks were around for that game — senior guard Debbie Adams and junior forward Bev Smith — but everyone else knows about Civil War rivalry.

"Inside, I never want to lose to OSU," said Smith, who scored 26 points and nabbed 12 rebounds in Friday's victory over the Beavers. "But the odds against winning every game for four years are high enough without meeting them as often as we do."

Every game between the two universities is a battle, said OSU's 6-5 center Carol Menken outside a quiet Beaver locker room Friday. "We've really got nothing to lose when we play them. So we can play all out."

But the Beavers were unable to play "all out" against the Ducks Friday. The two teams traded the lead until Smith, with seven minutes left in the half, gave the Ducks a three-point lead.

Forward MaryAnn Stoican put Oregon ahead for good with two baskets to give the Ducks a

five-point lead, 22-17. From that point on, the game belonged to Oregon, as the Ducks put in 14 points to OSU's four to take a 36-21 halftime lead.

Menken, who leads the nation in scoring with an average of 30.1 points a game, was held to seven points in the first half. Menken spent most of the game jockeying for position against Alison Lang, Oregon's 6-3 center.

"Alison Lang worked harder than anyone I've ever seen," said 5-3 guard Allison Towriss, who nabbed several key steals for Oregon. "It might have taken a lot for (Lang's) offensive game, but what she had to do was shut out Menken."

During the second half, Oregon opened its lead to 25 points with three minutes left. Ahead 73-49, Oregon's bench came in to play the game. The Beavers did what they could against the subs, scoring 15 points to close within nine points.

"Without Menken, OSU doesn't score," said Towriss as she pulled tape from her ankles after the game. "But it took teamwork to win."

Holmes, Nolan pace gymnasts

Oregon's Holly Holmes and Maureen Nolan finished one-two in the all-around as the Ducks won every event to sweep a four-way gymnastics meet Saturday.

The Ducks scored a season-high 130.15 points to outdistance San Francisco State (109.4), Cal State-Hayward (106.9) and the University of Alberta (99.3).

Holmes won the beam and uneven bars events to help

compile a 33.40 all-around score. Jeanette Stewart won the floor exercise and Sara Gustafson the vault.

Oregon's dual meet record is now 5-0. The team's next competition is Friday at 8 p.m. in McArthur Court against Minnesota.

Vault — 1. Gustafson (O), 2. 9.05; Nolan (O), 8.9; 3. Holmes (O), 8.65.
Bars — 1. Holmes (O), 9.15; 2. Stewart (O), 8.5; 3. Nolan (O), 8.4.
Beam — 1. Holmes (O), 7.75; 2. tie, Betsy

Skellenger (CSH) and Cindi Benson (O), 7.55.
Floor — 1. Stewart (O), 8.0; 2. Holmes (O), 7.85; 3. Cindy Sharp (CSH), 7.75.
All-around — 1. Holmes (O), 33.40; 2. Nolan (O), 32.0; 3. Darcy Heath (SFS), 30.95.

Matmen improve to 12-1

With two new wrestlers in the lineup, Oregon improved its season record to 12-1 with a 42-3 plastering of Central Washington College Friday.

Paul Sheriff (167) and Owen Engelmänn (heavyweight) both registered pins against their CWC opponents.

Sheriff, a sophomore, pinned Mike Argo 3:31 into the match. Engelmänn, also a sophomore,

dropped Stacy Williams at 3:10.

Oregon's Jeff Stuebing (177) and Mike Miller (190) also registered falls.

118 — Randy Ohta (O) dec. San Segawa, 8-1; 126 — Mike Erb (O) dec. Ron Ellis, 8-4; 134 — Cliff Porter (O) dec. Charles Hicks, 19-6; 142 — Bill Nugent (O) dec. C.D. Hoiness, 12-4; 150 — Richard Esparza (CWC) dec. Keith Beutler, 14-8; 158 — Rick O'Shea (O) dec. Cory Cook, 18-3; 167 — Sheriff (O) pinned Argo, 3:31; 177 — Stuebing (O) pinned Norm Charouhas, 1:47; 190 — Miller (O) pinned Rich Elstrom, 2:33; Heavyweight — Engelmänn pinned Williams, 3:10.

Aguirre breaks scoring mark

CHICAGO (AP) — Forward Mark Aguirre shattered DePaul's all-time scoring record with a 25-point performance Sunday to lead the fourth-ranked Blue Demons to a 90-75 victory over Wagner.

Aguirre, who now has 1,902 points in less than three years,

set the mark when he converted a slam-dunk with 11:17 remaining to give the Blue Demons a commanding 75-52 advantage.

The Demons, 15-1, took a 48-39 halftime lead as Aguirre accounted for 14 points and Terry Cummings collected 11 of his total of 19.

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Lang out-rebounded Menken, grabbing nine to Menken's six. As a team, Oregon out-rebounded OSU 46 to 28, shot 53.4 percent from the floor and 61.1 percent from the line. The Beavers dropped far below their average, shooting 42.4 percent from the floor and 61.5 percent from the line.

"We're a good team and they're a good team," Stoican said. "But person for person we

have more talent.

"This was a good game — a tough game," Stoican said. "But it always is when we play OSU."

OSU — 21-43 64
Oregon — 36-37 73

OSU — Sturznegger 3 6, Becker 4 0-1 8, Collings 4 8, Clark 4 3-4 11, Martin 1 2, Acarregui 1 2, Menken 11 5-8 27. Total: 28 8-13 64.

Oregon — Adams 6 3-9 15, Snider 7 1-1 15, Heimstra 1 2, Smith 12 2-2 26, Stoican 3 6, Lang 2 4-4 8. Total: 31 11-18 73.
Attendance: 2,487.



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