

Cal wins Pac-10 swim; Oregon finishes eighth

Defending NCAA champion Cal-Berkeley took the Pacific-10 Conference swimming title by winning the last event of the three-day competition.

The Bears won the 400-yard freestyle relay to edge UCLA for the team title, 351-328. For UCLA to win the meet, the Bruins would have had to win the event and hope Cal finished seventh or lower.

Oregon finished eighth and last in the meet with 39 points.

Nor-Pac champion Washington was seventh with 100 points.

Stanford finished behind UCLA with 273 points, followed by Arizona State (270), USC (268) and Arizona (264).

George Koch was Oregon's highest finisher with sixth-place performance in the 100 breaststroke. Koch's time was 57.34, compared to the Pac-10 record of 54.84 set by winner Bill Barrett of UCLA.

Oregon's Sam Glass missed the school record for the 50 freestyle by .02 of a second, but set a personal mark of 21.12. His performance, however, only was good enough for 16th in the event.



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Gym squads win three of four

Oregon's men's gymnastics teams rolled over its opponents Friday and Saturday, but the women's gymnastics team had a little trouble with their foes as the two teams competed at Brigham Young and New Mexico.

The fifth-ranked men's team downed BYU 276.75 to 272.15 Friday, as the Ducks scored their best mark of the season.

Led by Johnny Moyal, who finished second in the all-around (55.6), the Oregon squad recorded season-high team scores in the vault (47.7) and the parallel bars (46.2).

Saturday, the Ducks easily breezed by 13th-ranked New Mexico, 273.85 to 266.05. Oregon is now 9-2 for the season.

James Yuhashi tied his own school record in the vault with a 9.8, while his 9.6 was good enough to take the floor exercise.

Ring specialist Alex Schwartz captured his event with a 9.7. Dan Johnson took high bar honors with a 9.65, while

teammate Raul Tello won the parallel bars with a 9.3.

Moyal again topped the Oregon all-around list, taking first with a 54.95 total.

"I'm pretty pleased," said men's coach Bill Ballester. "We're getting consistent, which is what we need to do at this point in the season."

The women's gymnastic team had a tougher time as they finished second in a triangular meet at BYU. The Ducks lost to BYU, but posted a win over Cal-Berkeley.

BYU totaled 141.95 points to 136.8 for Oregon. Cal finished with 132.50.

Cal's Karen Kelsall, a former star at the Oregon Academy of Artistic Gymnastics in Eugene, and BYU's Jan Shelley finished either first or second in either event.

In New Mexico, despite judges not allowing five Oregon gymnasts to compete, the Ducks downed New Mexico 132.6 to 130.6.

"I'm not sure what their

reasoning was, but the judges would not allow some of our specialists to compete," said women's coach Henriette Heiny. "I really have to commend our team for sticking together and performing so well under these circumstances."

Senior Sara Gustafson won the all-around with a 34.85 total, and also won the vault (8.6), and the floor exercise (8.85).

Holly Holmes finished first on the bars with a 8.6.

The Ducks are now 11-4 for the season.

Beaver's Miller feels happy with NCAA pairings

CORVALLIS (AP) — Oregon State Coach Ralph Miller said Sunday he's satisfied with his team's placement in the National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball playoffs.

"They probably are as fair as they could be," he said of the pairings in the 48-team field. "There always are some problems with teams getting to play on their home courts but that is unavoidable because sites have to be set far in advance."

The Beavers, 26-1 overall after an 87-67 thrashing at the hands of Arizona State Saturday, were seeded first in the West regional.

They have a first-round bye and will play Saturday against the winner of a first-round game between Kansas State and either San Francisco or Pepperdine.

The games will be played at Pauley Pavilion in Los Angeles.

San Francisco and Pepperdine meet in a West Coast Athletic Conference playoff game Monday night at Santa Clara.

A year ago, Miller criticized the NCAA for sending number-one-ranked DePaul as well as two other Pacific-10 Conference teams to the West regional along with the Beavers.

But Miller called this year's pairings "far better than a year ago. More thought was given to equality this time."



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