

McChesney, Forbes pace runners

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Fine performances by both the men's and women's cross country teams were the bright spots in an otherwise dreary day at the Garrie Franklin Classic Saturday at Lane Community College.

For men's coach Bill Dellinger, it was a chance to see what the 1981 version of Oregon cross country could do, but for Bill McChesney it was business as usual.

The senior was in fine form as he posted a 29:58.1 time over the 10,000 meter course to win this year's cross country opener.

Greg Erwin was the next Duck finisher, taking third place with a time of 30:11.3, but the gap between Erwin and the rest of the Oregon runners was a cause for concern for Dellinger.

"In order to be a good team, our fourth, fifth and sixth place guys have to be closer to our first three," said Dellinger.

Indeed, the remaining Ducks down the line were Greg Hitchcock in sixth place, walk-on Jeff Emmons in eighth place and Derek Shirley in 12th. It didn't help that Jim Hill, whom Dellinger usually counts on for a solid performance, did not run.

For McChesney and the rest of the Ducks, there will be another long layoff until the next meet, the Northern Division race October 31 in Corvallis. It should give Oregon plenty of time to close the gaps.

"We're right on schedule,"

Coach Tom Heinonen said of his women's squad, which placed five runners in the top nine. "All the newcomers ran every bit as well as we expected," added Heinonen, who had his three freshman recruits finish two, four and five on the team.

Jennifer White of Athletic's West (17:27.5) easily took the Franklin title on the wet and muddy 5,000 meter course held at Lane Community College.

The Ducks' Forbes (17:36), a track All-American, took run-

ner-up honors for the second straight year, but just narrowly, as Oregon freshman Kathy Hayes (17:36.8) caught the junior with 400 meters in the race, but settled for third when Forbes made a passing surge in the final 150 meters.

Depth, something Heinonen sought when he successfully recruited three of the state's four top prep runners last spring, came through as junior Lisa O'Dea Martin's seventh place (18:03.8) was followed by newcomers Rosa Gutierrez (18:09.5) eighth place and Claudette Groenendaal (18:17.2) ninth.

"We've got four solid ones" said Heinonen, whose search continues for the strong and dependable fifth runner needed for valuable points at both regional and national competition. "The battle (on the team) is for fifth place," he added.

"This was good for us," Heinonen reflected, after the Ducks had finished their first test of the young season.

"We can relax now," He added. "It was kind of a jittery race for everyone. They didn't know where they stood in relation to each other before this."

The next test for the young Ducks comes next weekend when they travel to the California Invitational at Berkeley.

Oregon women thump Cougars in first contest

Oregon's women's soccer team began defense of the its Northwest Collegiate Soccer Conference championship in the right style Saturday afternoon at Autzen Stadium by shutting out Washington State, 7-0.

Becky Treick, freshman left wing, led the Duck women with two early goals. The host club continued the assault on the WSU goal as Karen Hege, Peggy Fisher, Dawn Shelstad and All-American Michele Potestio each added a goal.

Potestio also assisted on two goals, while NCSC-All Stars Therese Bottomly and Victoria Taylor each assisted on one.

Oregon's midfield and backline kept WSU at bay on defense, enabling goalkeepers Lori Kats, an All-American transfer from Lewis and Clark College, and Robin Rowland to record a shut-out.

Spikers finish trip with loss

SAN JOSE — The Oregon women's volleyball squad finished its California road trip on a dismal note Saturday, losing to Pepperdine 8-15, 8-15, and San Jose State, 4-15, 10-15.

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