

# Are the surprising Cougars for real?

## Gridders travel to Pullman to find the answer

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Who are the Washington State Cougars and what are they doing near the top of the Pac-10 standings?

That's the question being asked by all of college football about the surprising Cougars (6-1-1), who have jumped off to their best start since 1942. Saturday, Rich Brooks and his Oregon football squad travel to Pullman, Wash. to find out for themselves.

Picked to finish near the basement of the conference, it took eight weeks for the 19th-ranked Cougars to be upended — finally losing to USC last week, 41-17. But while most observers were surprised by WSU's fast start, Brooks says he wasn't.

"The only thing that surprised me was that they beat Arizona State (24-21 at Pullman),"

Brooks says. "Arizona State is just a superb team. It is indicative of Washington State's character that they could beat a team of that stature."

Despite the lopsided score of the USC game, WSU rolled up 383 total yards against a Trojan defense that had been allowing only 310 per game. The Cougar's balanced offense, which leads the Pac-10 in total yardage, has been the key to their success this year. Tailback Tim Harris (the league's 5th leading rusher) and fullback Robert Williams pace the rushing attack, while Clete Casper and "supersub" Ricky Harris share the quarterbacking duties.

The Cougar's high powered offense is in sharp contrast to the Ducks, who are at the bottom of the Pac-10 offensive statistics. Oregon has scored only three touchdowns in their last five games. And unfortunately for the Ducks, it looks like things may get worse before they get better.

Once again, Brooks will be forced to play musical chairs

with his quarterbacks, as freshman Mike Owens won't be making the trip. Owens, who started Oregon's last two games, injured his shoulder early in the first quarter last week against UCLA and was forced to leave the game. He did not practice with the team this week.

Brooks says he will start a "semi-healthy" Mike Jorgensen at QB. Against UCLA, Jorgensen came into the game in place of Owens and completed 14 of 22 passes for 201 yards and a touchdown pass. Prior to last week, Jorgensen had seen limited action, and had been nursing a bad knee recently.

In addition, Brooks says that junior Kevin Lusk will be available if needed. Lusk, the Ducks' starting quarterback early in the season, suffered a shoulder separation four weeks ago against Arizona State. He has not played since, but Brooks says his shoulder is now about 80 percent healed.

Elsewhere in the injury department, Brooks announced

that linebacker Chris Cosgrove and defensive lineman Steve Johnson are probable starters for the game. Earlier this week, the playing status of both looked doubtful. Johnson is coming off his finest game of the season, as he was in on 16 tackles (12 of them unassisted) against UCLA.

The presence of Cosgrove and Johnson doesn't do much to ease the fears of WSU head coach Jim Walden. It is the Duck defense — number one in the Pac-10 — that has Walden concerned.

"Oregon has a better overall defense than USC," Walden said over the phone yesterday. "USC may have better athletes, but Oregon's entire defensive scheme is sounder. And their secondary is much better than USC."

"It may take us all afternoon to get into the endzone."

And how does he feel about Oregon's offense?

"Right now, they don't have any. They have some excellent running backs, but they are

hurting at quarterback."

Though the setback to USC last week makes it difficult for the Cougars to go to the Rose Bowl — WSU needs to win its remaining three games and hope that USC stumbles somewhere — Walden remains optimistic about landing a bowl bid somewhere else.

"Our objective is to stay with USC (in the standings)," he said. "The longer we stay alive for the Rose Bowl, the better our chances. The rest of things will probably take care of themselves."

**DUCK NOTES** — Flanker Osborne Thomas, third on the team in receptions, probably won't make the trip to WSU. He flew to Los Angeles this week to be with his mother, who recently suffered a heart attack. Here's an unusual statistic for a 1-7 team: the Ducks have gained 17 more first downs than their opponents this year. The last time WSU defeated Oregon was in 1977, Brooks' first year as head coach, by a 56-20 score in Pullman.

## Swimmers host All-Around meet

University of Oregon head swimming coach Dan Cole is gearing up for this weekend's Oregon All-Around Championships, calling the event an "excellent early season barometer of how our training has been progressing."

The Championships, to be held at Leighton Pool today and Saturday is the first Oregon All-Around meet to be co-ed. The men will swim the same order of events as the women.

The meet begins with one-meter diving at 3:30 p.m. today followed by swimming events at 7 p.m. Two sessions on Saturday will close the

event with the first session at 10 a.m. and the second at 6 p.m.

Linfield is expected to compete as well as Oregon State, which returns the top two women finishers of last year's meet, Kristy Siegrist and Holy Andrus.

The Ducks expect strong performances from Sue Borchardt, who finished third last year, Tama Cuddeback and Tina Helm. Oregon's men's team will look to Jeff Morgan, Mark Bennett and Eric Hughes to finish high in the overall standings.

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