

Men struggle to beat Saints

"Comedy is not pretty," Steve Martin said once, and neither was Oregon's 73-56 win over St. Martin's College Saturday night — a game which should have been a laugher for the Ducks.

"St. Martin's is not an easy team to get emotionally ready to play," Oregon basketball coach Jim Haney said after the game. "We should have played a heck of a lot better."

The final spread was 17 points, but that's a deceiving figure. Oregon struggled to a 26-25 lead at halftime, and was up by only two points with 10 minutes to go in the game. It was not until the final stages of the second half that the Ducks were able to pull away from the injury-riddled Saints.

But during the first half, Oregon could not take advantage of St. Martin's shortened roster, nor the height advantage it enjoyed over the Saints. None of the ten players that Haney played during that half looked effective, as the Ducks turned the ball over 12 times and shot only 39 percent from the floor.

Oregon finally wore St. Martin's down in the second half, as Jerome Williams (18 points) and John Greig (12 rebounds) kept the Saints off the offensive boards — and the scoreboard — late in the game.

Tonight, the Ducks (2-1) host the Rhode Island Rams at Mac Court (7:30). Last year, Oregon lost a 67-66 heartbreaker in Rhode Island.

Matmen crush WSU, defeat tourney foes

The Oregon wrestling team dominated action in its meets this weekend, defeating Washington State University 30-6 and coming up with a fine performance in the Greys Harbor Tournament in Olympia, Wash.

Falls by Oregon grapplers Lance Hochanadel and Dan Cook paced the Ducks to the victory over the Cougars.

Bill Nugent (142) and Rick O'Shea led Oregon in the Greys Harbor Tournament with first place finishes.

Women fade in Cal tourney

The Oregon women's basketball team was at both ends of a pair of one-point games this weekend in the California Women's Invitational in Berkeley.

The Ducks captured second place after losing to the University of Colorado 69-68 in the championship game Saturday night. Oregon edged Arizona

State University 70-69 Friday in semifinal action.

Alison Lang had 25 points and 8 rebounds, and Bev Smith added 21 points and 10 rebounds to pace the Ducks.

"We got sloppy in the second half and seemed flat after the Arizona State game the night before," Oregon coach Elwin Heiny said Saturday.

Oregon's role was different against Arizona State Friday night as the Sun Devils had a last-second shot to win the game. But excellent defense by the Ducks, especially Smith who broke up a pass, forced ASU to take a long shot which didn't fall.

Oregon, ranked 13th nationally, is now 2-1 on the season.

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