

Oregon gymnasts face OSU on Wednesday

After finishing eighth in the Washington Open gymnastics invitational in Seattle Saturday, the Oregon women's gymnastics team will travel to Corvallis on Wednesday for a meet against highly-touted Oregon State University.

OSU and Oregon are in two different worlds when it comes to gymnastics. The Beavers have been one of the nation's top-ranked teams for quite a few years, while the Ducks are basically freshmen-oriented — looking to gain experience with every meet.

The Beavers are prohibitive favorites in Wednesday night's 7:30 meet at Gill Coliseum, but Oregon coach Ed Boyd feels the Ducks will learn a lot from competing against one of the top gymnastics squads in the nation.

"Obviously we are not going to beat them as a team," Boyd says. In fact, Boyd listed OSU as one of the top five collegiate teams nationally.

OSU coach Ron Ludwig has a horde of talent on the Beaver team. Leading OSU will be three-time All-American Heidi Anderson. Anderson was the 1984 NCAA balance beam champion (9.7) for the Beavers. Besides Anderson, Ludwig has the talents of junior Michelle Gabiola and Tina Barnes.

"I know our scores will be up, and I just want us to score well," Boyd says of the strategy in Wednesday night's meeting.

Boyd thinks two of Oregon's seven freshmen should have good performances against OSU. "I'm looking for Gretchen Kind and Cyndee Maxwell to do well," Boyd says. "They are our top all-arounds."

Kind's best event is the uneven parallel bars, while Maxwell has been effective on the floor exercise event.

"She (Gretchen) is a walk-on," Boyd says of the freshman from Fairbanks, Alaska. "She looks like our No. 1 all-around."

Kind is coming off a severe ankle injury last year, but so far she hasn't had any problems in competition.

Harbour and Gemoya are voted as volleyball MVPs

Oregon volleyball players Sue Harbour and Lisa Gemoya were voted most valuable players for the Ducks at the team's annual awards banquet Sunday.

Harbour, voted first team All-American this season, also received the Carl Greve Award and the Captain's Award.

Teri Kramer received rookie of the year honors. Kramer had been named earlier to the Nor-Pac Conference All-Freshman team. Oregon's most improved player was freshman middle blocker Laurie Krejcha. La Grande native Heidi Eakin

Boyd, in his third year coaching the Ducks, hopes Kind has a good meet because Oregon has been having difficulty on the bars.

With only eight girls on Oregon's team, Boyd hopes the Ducks continue their injury-free season. Going into the OSU encounter, there were no significant injuries to report.

"Everybody is healthy," says Boyd. "I'm just keeping my fingers crossed."

The meet also is a reunion for the Weinstein sisters. Senior Jayne Weinstein competes for OSU, while sister Julie is in her first year for the Ducks.

received the team's positive mental attitude award. Connie Riel and Monica Camp were voted for the mental toughness extra effort awards by teammates.

The Ducks finished 27-12 on the year and ninth in the nation before being eliminated by San Jose State University in the NCAA playoffs.

Oregon coach Chris Voelz's team was as high as 11th in the national polls and ended two-time defending champion University of Hawaii's bid for a third national title.

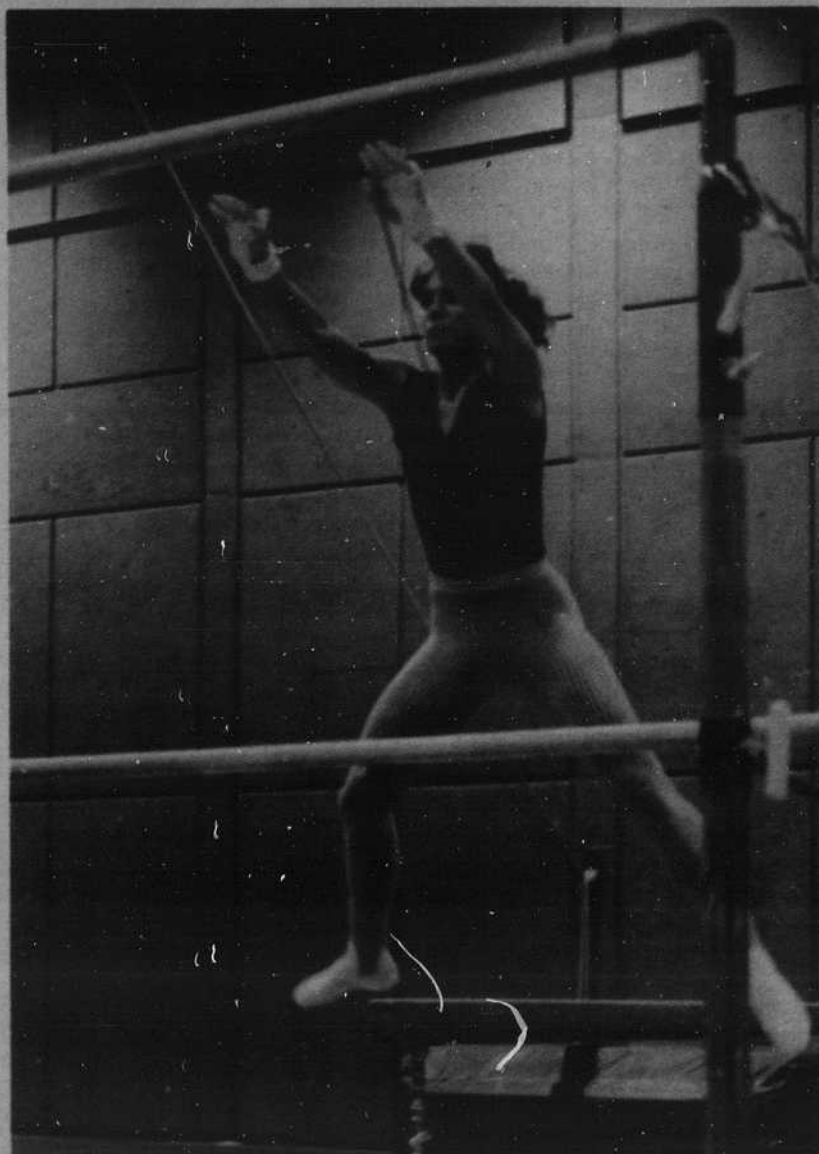


Photo by Steven Wall

Oregon gymnast Gretchen Kind prepares on the uneven parallel bars for the Ducks' upcoming meet against Oregon State University in Corvallis Wednesday night.

AN ADVERTISING RETRACTION

I write this retraction in reference to the advertisement which appeared in the October 23, 1984 Oregon Daily Emerald and which referred to the Evelyn Wood Reading Dynamics advertising campaign. I was not in fact able to learn what motivated the student to report—completely erroneously—that our program used reading machines, and I regret that I inferred in public that that person was 'planted' by Evelyn Wood Reading Dynamics. I do not know why Evelyn Wood Reading Dynamics employees have inaccurately asserted that certain universities, including Oregon, use 'reading machines.' I regret that I inferred in public that these inaccuracies were part of a deliberate corporate level strategy.

Evelyn Wood Reading Dynamics has made significant contributions to the field of reading rate building. Its course of instruction includes emphasis on comprehension and retention. I apologize to the Evelyn Wood organization for the harsh tenor of the advertisement I authored.

Sincerely,

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