

## Ducks try for ten in a row

By Craig Harris  
Of the Emerald

The red hot Oregon volleyball team will take its eight-match winning streak to the California Bay area this weekend, when it takes on the University of California at Berkeley Friday and Stanford Saturday.

Both matches are key contests for conference standings, as a sweep would move the Ducks, ranked 15th (Tachikara/CVCA) and 14th (NCAA), into a tie for second place (one match out of first). But this is easier said than done.

California has won eight of nine on its home court, and the Cardinal, riding a three-match winning streak, is ranked ninth (Tachikara/CVCA) and 10th (NCAA).

Stanford posts an 8-1 conference record, with its lone blemish coming at the hands of Oregon, Sept. 20, in McArthur Court.

California is 4-5 in the Pac-10 and will also be looking to avenge an earlier five-game loss to the Ducks.

While knocking off the Car-

dinal would probably propel the Ducks into the top-10 rankings, Oregon head coach Gerry Gregory feels the California match is much more important.

"The California game is more pivotal and important. A loss to them would really hurt us in the conference standings. Also, losing to them would really hurt our chances of getting into the NCAA tournament," Gregory said. "The Stanford match will be easier to get up for and play inspired."

A lot of that inspiration comes from junior co-captain Teri Kramer. Kramer's exuberant court play has led the Ducks throughout the season, and this week opposing coaches named her Pac-10 Player of the Week.

In last weekend's series against the two Arizona schools, Kramer pounded out 42 kills to go with her 34 digs and three service aces. In that series, Kramer also moved past All-American Sue Harbour into third place for the most kills in one season.

For the year, Kramer has 507

kills and needs 181 more to break Harbour's all-time record of 687 set in 1983. Kramer is also ranked second in the nation in kills per game with a 5.6 average.

The other half of Oregon's "K-Combination," Michele Krebsbach, has hammered home 467 kills, the most in a season for any freshman at Oregon. Krebsbach is also ranked fourth in the nation in kills per game with a 5.1 average.

Gregory has a great deal of confidence in Kramer and Krebsbach, his two outside hitters, and says that it will be the play of three other individuals that will help notch a pair in the win column.

"They (Kramer and Krebsbach) have been consistent throughout the year and I'm not concerned about them," Gregory said.

"What we need is a real strong middle attack from Lauri Krejcha and Stephanie Drier, and we need Monica Camp to put away a few more balls for us to really help us," Gregory said.

## Coaches feel heat

By Dennis Fernandes  
Of the Emerald

Oregon football has finally arrived.

Steve Harvey, the man behind college and pro football's weekly "Bottom Ten," has given Saturday's Oregon-California game the dubious honor of being the "crummy game of the week." He was kind enough to give the 2-6 Ducks the nod.

By the way, the game features two coaches that are under fire.

Realistically, only one is — University of California's Joe Kapp. That Bear has been dead since the famed "zipper incident" during the postgame press conference of the Washington game.

### Analysis by Dennis Fernandes

Kapp was under fire even before the season began, as the Golden Bears finished last in the Pac-10 Conference last season at 4-7. His touted recruiting classes have yet to excel in the midst of this 1-6 campaign.

Oregon coach Rich Brooks has been in this situation before. His teams only managed two wins per season in 1977-78 and 1981-82. His overall record to date is 37-66-4.

Those statistics alone may say something; if he has not been canned yet, this year would be no exception.

For this season, Oregon can cite the schedule and injuries as sources of the embarrassing defeats. If not those, then perhaps the rain, facilities, or recruiting handicaps can be given as reasons.

Brooks' boss, Athletic Director Bill Byrne, will surely back him up on that.

Oregon's inability to compete in an outstanding Pac-10 will give Byrne all the more reason to argue for building the proposed Autzen dome, which to him looms as the inevitable answer to all those financial problems.

This is not to challenge Brooks' coaching abilities, but to tell all yellow and green bleeders the hoped-for dismissal will not happen.

Brooks has three years left on his contract, and it would be very expensive for the Ducks to pick up the tab, especially with an already-tight budget. He has publicly announced his intentions to return for an 11th season.

Oregon, unlike Oklahoma or Nebraska, obviously does not give heat to the coaches for going 8-3.

The overall opinion of Rennie's patrons and the green and yellow sea of alumni in the \$15 seats still does not hold any credibility at those offices adjoining McArthur Court, and it probably never will.

If you are depressed about football, maybe you should save \$2.50 and take in a night of those flyin', divin', diggin' Ducks.

The 13th-ranked Oregon volleyball team is right up there with the New York Mets in the cardiac department.

This group is a sportswriter's nightmare, always dropping the first two games before blazing back to make a match — and a night — out of it.

The Ducks did it again Saturday night in an upset victory over ninth-ranked Arizona State, dropping the first two games before staging a dramatic comeback to win their eighth straight.

Oregon is making waves in the newly formed Pac-10, checking in at third place with an 8-3 record. Overall, the netters are an impressive 16-8, and they will surely better last season's 17-16 mark.

## Ducks, Bears battle for respect

By Capi Lynn  
Of the Emerald

The Oregon football team, departing from a treacherous six-week schedule which featured opponents ranked among the nation's top-20, begins its final three-game stretch when it travels to Berkeley to face the California Golden Bears Saturday for a 1:00 p.m. contest.

The Ducks, 2-6 on the season and 0-5 in the Pacific-10 Conference, have finally reached a point in their season where they will be facing a team with a comparable record. The Bears are 1-6 overall and 1-4 in the conference, lodged just above the Ducks in the Pac-10 cellar.

Oregon and Cal will undoubtedly be trying to salvage some respect in what could easily be deemed a gloomy season for both teams.

"This (the Oregon-Cal matchup) is like two vultures sitting over the only piece of meat left," said Oregon head coach Rich Brooks. "Cal is struggling and we're obviously struggl-

ing... One of us will be a little happier Saturday night, while the other will still be struggling."

Oregon, the losers of six straight, can certainly not sit back and expect to record a win, despite the fact that California is definitely not the caliber of its last six opponents (Arizona, Nebraska, USC, Arizona State, Stanford and Washington).

Earlier this season, the Ducks' offense was still productive despite a struggling defense. In light of recent performance (accounting for only 10 points in the last two losses), the offense is even under scrutiny.

"There's no question we're starting to struggle on offense," Brooks said. "I'm hoping we can regain some of the flair we had earlier in the season."

"There's nothing automatic about our football team and our season," Brooks said. "We're not only bruised physically, but mentally."

The Ducks took a beating in Seattle last weekend when the

Washington Huskies dealt them a 38-3 setback. Oregon mustered a meager 124 yards total offense against a powerful Husky defense, while Washington's offense generated 429 yards.

The Bears, losers of five straight, are coming off a 33-16 loss to the University of Arizona. The Wildcats held Cal to just 43 yards on the ground.

"We're not happy where we are (in respect to the season), and I'm sure Cal is not happy where they are," Brooks said. "It's a pivotal game for whatever aspirations we both hold for the remainder of the season."

When asked during a telephone interview what would be the difference in the ball game between the two struggling teams, Bear head coach Joe Kapp said "Whoever scores the most points."

Whether it be Oregon or Cal, both teams will definitely be prepared for a battle — a battle to regain respect.

## Bat Beat

**KELLI:**  
Have fun howling from the deck (are the EWEB people still around? Hmmm that COULD be fun!) HAPPY HOWLOWEEN!

**ANT-Y A**

**SIGMA CHI STEVE E**  
HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

**JEFFER:** Pumpkins are orange, skeletons are white, wish we were together this Halloween night! Good luck with football! Love, QUAYBA

**DOROTHY:** What can I say to my best friend except tonight, it's my turn to drink, those screaming orgasms! MARI-LY M.

**BOO!** Christy, Cindy, Heidi, Jill, Lesley, Robin, Aaron, Bart, Ken, Mike, Roger, Scott, Stan, Tom! Happy Haunting! **JANINE AND KARRIE**

**VICKI KELLY** Happy Halloween and Birthday, getting so old. Good luck in your new job. Guess who! **BOO-BOO GIRL**

**TO THE PERSON** without a nickname, we've only just begun! Happy Halloween! Love your forever friend and roommate.

**DOUG BOO** - Here is your first Boo Beat! How exciting - just beware, our first anniversary is coming soon! **DAWN BOO**

**MEGAN,** Don't accept any bagels from strangers wearing overcoats because they like little girls. Have a dorpy Halloween. Love, **KINKO**

**KAREN MILOVICH**  
Five weeks gone already, and the man-hunt continues! Here's one more advantage to spending the summer in Eugene: you wouldn't have had a friend like me to send a personal like this! **HAPPY HALLOWEEN! LUV, ME**

**BRUCE WAYNE** by day  
**BATMAN**  
tonight  
Come see Doug Ayle's worth at  
**OKW**  
in tight!

**LISA HUBLER**  
Harlon say Happy Halloween! He also say it about time you and Shannon patied together! Can't wait. Love **SHANNON**

**COLETTE LEWIS**  
HAPPY HALLOWEEN! Friday night...time to party "ghoulie" style! Watch out world - here we come! Are you as glad as I am that you're back this year? We have just begun... **LUV, ME**

**AUDREY,** Halloween in Ashland, is certainly in fashion. The town goes wild! Just our style! Let's have some fun. **KAREN**

**KARI FOX**  
LET'S CUT THE CARPET SOMETIME  
Your Ardent Admirer and Waltz Partner

**PHI DELT BOY** - I miss you - hang in there! **LOVE, DG GIRL**

**MEREDITH AND MADDIE,** What does Velveeta covered apples and the Bat Beat have in common? They both are way cheese!

**TODD** - Don't forget the rain check! I hope to see you REAL soon. Happy Halloween! **HOLLY**

**NEAL AND RUSSELL,** Thanks for being friends and great neighbors. Here's to fun in the past, present and future! **HUEY**

**KATHY,** I know you miss Hawaii, but I'm glad you're back. We'll be listening to "FORE!" on CD soon! **HUEY**

**HERALDO** My Spanish Mush, You put bats in my belly! And gee you're swell, so have a groovy Halloween. Love, **YOUR SPOOK**

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