Sports

Oregon hosts Lamar, looks for consistency

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Coach Don Monson and the Oregon men's basketball team hope to carry some consistency from Saturday's victory over Weber State University into McArthur Court tonight.

The Ducks, 2-2, host Lamar University for a 7:35 p.m. nonconference contest, their third consecutive home game.

But Oregon will definitely be put to the test against a squad that Monson calls "the best ball club we've faced so far."

"They (Lamar) have good athletes and a lot of team quickness," Monson said.

Monson pointed out the strength of Lamar's James Gulley, a 6-foot-8. 255-pound junior post, and the outside shooting of DeWayne Brown, a 6-foot-4 senior guard. Gulley, a returning starter for the Wildcats, averaged 12.9 points and 5.7 rebounds a game a year ago although he missed nine mid-season games with a

ruptured back disc.

In just three games this season, Gulley has poured in 24.5 points a contest and pulled down 12.5 rebounds, contributing heavily to Lamar's 2-1 start.

"We've got a lot of defenses ready, but which one to use, we're not sure," Monson said of how the Ducks will counter Gulley's formidable presence underneath the basket. "Hopefully we'll find one that will neutralize him (Gulley)."

The Ducks have outrebounded their opponents 137-112, but the Wildcats look to make

things a bit more difficult, especially with the muscle of Gulley.

However, Monson feels his team is doing what it needs to in the rebounding department.

"Rebounding is reacting to the ball, blocking out and hustling after the ball, and we've been doing pretty good so far," Monson said.

Veteran guards Brown and Danny Gauthier have replaced the other two regulars, including 30-game starter James Nance, who averaged 12.6 points a game last season.

Brown is Lamar's second leading scorer so far this season, averaging 18 points a game.

The Ducks are led by junior guard Anthony Taylor, who is averaging 21.8 points a game. He had his best game of the season Saturday, scoring 29 points on 14 of 22 from the field. Center Sven Meyer is contributing 15.5 points a game for Oregon, as well as pulling down nine boards a contest.



Two Oregon volleyball players and first-year coach Gerry Gregory were honored by the Collegiate Volleyball Coaches Association Monday.

Junior co-captain Teri Kramer, the Ducks' number-one hitter, was selected to the Northwest All-Region first team, while freshman hitter Michele Krebsbach received secondteam honors.

Both hitters led the Ducks' offensive attack all season and were earlier awarded Pacific-10 Conference honors (both were second-team selections).

Kramer drilled 703 total kills on the year, six more than her last two seasons combined, to set an Oregon single-season record, and Krebsbach finished the season with 590 kills, the most by any freshman in Oregon volleyball history.

Head coach Gregory, who guided the team to a 22-12 overall record and the Ducks' second NCAA tournament ever, was also named Northwest Region Coach of the Year.



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