

Struggling women's golf team hosts Oregon State

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The newly resurrected

Oregon women's golf team will host its first match in over five years when it meets Oregon

State University at the Eugene country Club today. The struggling Ducks are at-

tempting to reclaim some of the success they enjoyed in the early 1970's before the sport was eliminated to save money in the early 1980's.

who was Grant High School's top-rated player for three years. Others include Carol Haney, Lisa Schumacher, Stacy Kunishige and honor-laden basketball star Lauri Landerholm.

Through the season thus far, the Ducks have been soaring high — especially their scores.

"Of course we're going to be rusty," Krieger said. "We're getting blown out, but that's what happens when walk-ons compete against decent teams."

Although Krieger lobbied for the rebirth of the women's program, he'd rather concentrate on coaching one sport per season.

"It's impossible (to coach two teams in the same season), but hopefully it's something short-term," Krieger said. "You feel like you're not working hard enough with either team."

For now, Krieger will be working to get Oregon ready for the Beavers. As for the future, it's almost here; three recruits have already announced intent to come to Oregon.

However, success will most likely come by small increments if it comes at all for the Ducks. The team is composed entirely of walk-ons, which make it tough to compete against established programs that recruit yearly.

Golf coach Scott Krieger is moonlighting between the men's and women's teams and admits it will be a challenge to make the Ducks competitive immediately.

"We're struggling bad right now — there's no doubt about it," Krieger said. "You can't expect walk-ons to compete with recruited players, but that should change in the future."

The foundation for that future will start with Kim Brune. The freshman from Portland was the most valuable player for the 1985 state golf champions, Wilson High School, and she will be looked to for leadership.

Backing Brune up is fellow Portland native Sara Burton,

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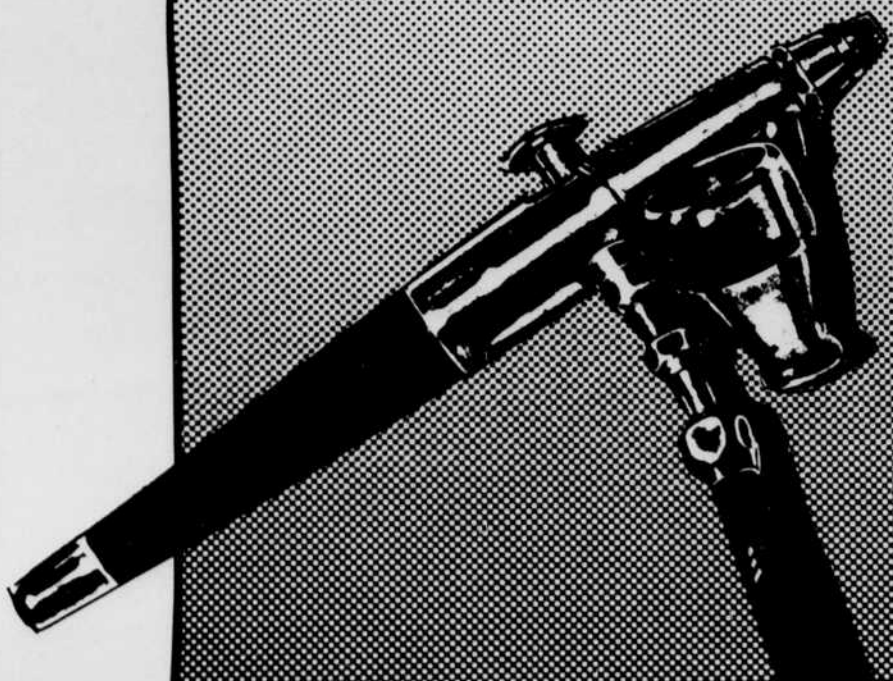
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