Netters defeat Beavers, claim volleyball bragging rights

Win in four games third time around

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Oregon won state bragging rights in volleyball Friday night as the Ducks disposed of Oregon State in four games 15-5, 16-14, 10-15, 15-4.

Oregon defeated the Beavers in all three of their meetings this year, including a victory in the championship match of the Lady Ute Classic in Salt Lake City in September.

Oregon State opened game one with three straight points and looked like they came to avenge their two previous losses to Oregon.

The tide quickly turned,

Pac-10	Volleyball			
Team	W	T	Pct.	GB
UCLA	15	0	1,000	
Stanford	- 4	4	692	- 5
Washington	10	-5	.667	- 5
USC	- 0	15	.600	10
Arizona	8	fr.	571	613
Oregon	8	6	.571	615
California	5	8	-385	14
Arizona St.	3	3.1	234	11%
Oregon St.	2	12	143	124
Washington St.	2	73	-133	13

however, and Oregon rattled off 10 straight points for a 10-3 lead. Senior outside hitter Michele Krebsbach led the scoring spree for the Ducks.

The Beavers managed to get two more points and bring the score to 11-5, but they would get no more. The Ducks strung together four more points and took the game off a block by Krebsbach, 15-5.

Game two proved to be the most exciting and most closely contested game of the evening. After a 1-1 tie, the Ducks and Beavers traded sideouts 12 times. Oregon State broke the

sideout fest with a score an added another to lead 1-3.

The game remained close throughout with the biggest lead going to the Beavers at 5-9. The Ducks refused to fold and scrapped back to an 11-11 tie.

Oregon State added three straight points and had game point on the Ducks at 11-14. The Ducks took a time out to regroup and came out fighting. Oregon regained service and scored off a kill by sophomore outside hitter Julie Jeffery.

A big kill by sophomore middle blocker Dawnn Charroin and a service ace by sophomore middle blocker Mindee Adams knotted the score at 14-14. The two teams traded sideouts twice before senior outside hitter Melissa Terzian iced the game for the Ducks with two consecutive kills, 16-14.

The third game was again a close one. The Ducks took a four-point lead at 7-3 but the Beavers stayed with them and closed the gap at 9-6. The next seven points belonged to the Beavers and they led 9-13.

The Ducks would get one more point off a Jeffery kill, but the Beavers would get two more points to seal a third game win, 10-15.

"In the third game we didn't pass real well," Oregon coach Gerry Gregory said. "We didn't really set the ball real well because if it and our hitters made some bad choices."

Game four was the most lopsided game of the match. The Ducks hurried out to a 10-2 lead and never looked back. Strong play by Adams keyed the Oregon attack as they went on to take the game 15-4 and the match three sames to one.

Statistically for the Ducks. Adams led in the kill department with 12 followed by Krebsbach with 10 Charroin. Jeffery, and Terzian each added nine kills.

Charroin topped the digging list with 11 Senior setter Stephanie Snyder along with Krebsbach and Adams each had 10. Terzian contributed nine digs. Snyder had 34 assists to lead the Ducks.

The fourth game was the most impressive for the Ducks. Oregon put away 10 kills with only one error in 26 attempts for a 346 kill percentage.

Adams was deserving of an MVP award Friday night after having an outstanding match for the Ducks.

"Mindee Adams obviously played an all-around game for us. She blocked, she dug and she hit for a high percentage." Gregory said.

"It's God-given ability. She's got a really fast arm. It's not anything we've taught her. She's just got a lot of talent."

The quick attack is what Adams does best. Snyder and Adams were nearly unstoppable against the Beavers with the quick set and kill.

"Me and Snyder are really compatible and we work on the ones (quick set play). We

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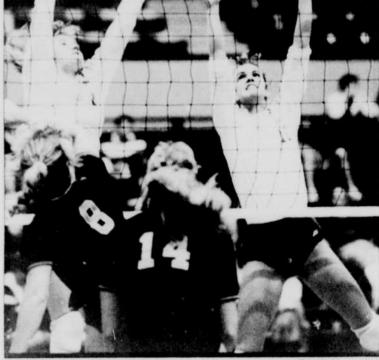


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Julie Jeffrey and Mindee Adams go up for a block against Oregon State Friday night in the Ducks four-match win.

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