

Duck cagers remain undefeated against Pilots with win

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Oregon's women's basketball team remained undefeated in their eight game series against Portland by defeating the Pilots 85-76 at the Chiles Center Tuesday night.

Junior forward Trina McCartney led the Ducks with 20 points followed by sophomore guard/forward Staci

Wallenborn who chipped in 19. Seniors Jacquie Semeniuk and Stefanie Kasperski added 18 and 17 respectively.

Oregon led by only one point at the half, 36-35, before pulling away in the second half and outscoring the Pilots 49-41 in the last 20 minutes.

The Ducks looked sluggish throughout the game, possibly due to the traveling time they have put in lately. The Ducks

just returned from the Auburn Dial Classic in Alabama last weekend before they journeyed to Portland.

The Pilots played a fast-paced game and were pushing the ball down the court which also had its effect on the Ducks, said Oregon coach Elwin Heiny.

"Our opponents helped out by pushing the ball up the court and that took its toll on

us," Heiny said.

The Ducks came apart at the seams early in the game, a problem Heiny thought might have been due to his early substituting.

"We started falling apart early, maybe I shouldn't have subbed so much," Heiny said. "I would hope for more consistency in the future. We're not as sharp as we need to be in order to be a good team."

Martha Sheldon paced the Pilots with 27 points and teammate Bridgett Smith dumped in 20. The Pilots shot a respectable 55 percent from the floor making 32 of 58 for the game.

Other statistical leaders for the Ducks included McCartney with six rebounds and Semeniuk with six steals. As a team, the Ducks shot a poor 40

percent from the field making only 31 of 76 attempts.

Oregon was 23 for 29 from the free throw line for a .793 mark. Semeniuk was 10 for 10 from the free throw line.

Tuesday's game was the third in the Ducks' six-game opening road swing. Heiny said all the fatigue his team is experiencing is not all physical.

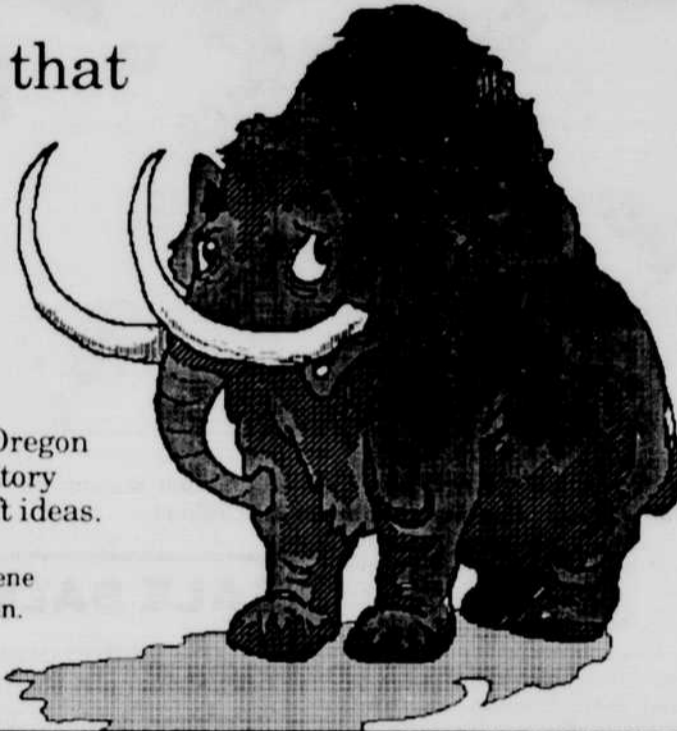
"I don't think it's as much physical fatigue as it is mental," Heiny said.

The Ducks wind out their road trip in Texas when they travel to the Cellular One Red Raider Classic in Lubbock Dec. 1 and 2. The 24th-ranked Ducks will have to face 23rd-ranked Western Kentucky in the opening round.

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Two netters placed on all-Pac-10 teams

Oregon's Michele Krebsbach was one of 12 players selected to the all-Pacific-10 Conference volleyball team announced Monday by Pac-10 Commissioner Thomas Hansen.

A senior outsider hitter from Downey, Calif., Krebsbach led the Ducks to a tie for fourth in the Pac-10 this season as well as an overall mark of 21-8. Oregon opens NCAA Tournament play on Saturday against Pac-10 foe Arizona in Tucson.

Krebsbach averaged 3.98 kills and 3.17 digs per game this season and had a hitting percentage of .215. Krebsbach was a second team all-Pac-10 choice in 1986 while also being the conference freshman of the year.

She was also an all-Northwest region pick last season as well as being a second team all-Northwest pick in 1986.

In addition to Krebsbach, senior team captain Stephanie Snyder was named to the Pac-

10 all-academic team.

Snyder, from Fountain Valley, Calif., is majoring in journalism and carries a 3.24 grade point average.

The Pac-10 all-star team was dominated by players from conference champ UCLA who placed three players on the first team, led by senior middle blocker Daiva Tomkus, the Pac-10 player of the year, the second year in a row she won that award. Bruin coach Andy Banachowski won the coach of the year award for the second straight season.

The conference coaches selected the all-Pac-10 team, the all-freshman team, and the player, freshman, and coach of the year awards.

The all-academic team was picked by sports information directors throughout the conference. To be considered for the all-academic team players had to carry a 3.2 GPA and possess sophomore standing.



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