

High jumper sets record at Oregon invitational

Four Duck women achieve personal bests

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The high jump pit became center stage at Hayward Field Saturday for Westwood Track Club's Vicki Borsheim as she set a new meet record at the Oregon Invitational track and

field meet.

Borsheim, a 1988 graduate of Washington, cleared 6-2 1/4 to outdistance the old mark of 6-1 1/2 set in 1985 by Jeanie Cockcroft of the Kajaks Track Club.

"I love to jump here," said Borsheim of Hayward Field.

"The surface is great, the fans are great, and there's a real town atmosphere."

The October graduate of Washington's Physical Therapy School equaled her own personal best with the leap. Borsheim has only been training seriously since September, and it's paying off.

Borsheim won the event at the Mt. SAC Relays in Walnut, Calif. a week earlier with a 6-2 1/4 mark. She may return for the Oregon Twilight meet May 12, and she is definitely going to compete at the Prefontaine Classic June 1.

The bulk of the excitement for Oregon was over before Saturday's competition began. Kamala Kohlmeier and Kelly Blair finished 2-3 in the heptathlon, which concluded Friday.

Kohlmeier set a new PR with her total of 5,006 points. In the process, she also set PRs in the high jump, 200, and 800. Though the mark fell short of her goal of 5,100 points under rainy conditions Friday, Kohlmeier was all smiles Saturday.

"I was really happy with the first day, but the second day it was pouring down rain," Kohlmeier said. "It was miserable. The weather definitely wasn't in our favor."

Blair accumulated 4,942 points for third place. Both athletes easily surpassed the Pacific-10 Conference qualifying mark of 4,500, but fell short of the NCAA standard of 5,280.

"Kelly and I both need to work more specifically on our throws," Kohlmeier said.

Oregon discus thrower Stephanie Smith proved that her PR of 163-1 a week earlier

at California was no fluke. The senior threw consistently around the 160-foot mark all day, including a new best of 163-4.

Though Smith began the day with a poor outing in the shot put, she was able to put it behind her and triumph in the discus.

"I just wasn't ready in the shot, but I was still confident in the discus," Smith said. "It was good to PR and come back and be able to throw in the 160s again."

Smith now hopes to break the 170 barrier and possibly the NCAA standard of 172 feet. She currently is among the top dozen throwers in the college ranks, but Smith knows her NCAA provisional mark will probably not hold up.

Smith is confident about im-

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Softball games reset; four players signed

The Oregon softball team's double header with Arizona State, originally scheduled for last Saturday, has been re-scheduled for today at 10:30 a.m. at Howe Field due to weekend rains. Oregon's Sports Information Department announced.

In addition, the double header originally scheduled for Sunday at Oregon State, will be played Thursday. A non-conference double header with Portland State scheduled for Wednesday at 3 p.m. at Howe is still scheduled.

The SID also announced last Tuesday that first-year Oregon softball coach Tami Brown has signed four prep stars and a junior college all-America selection to national letters of intent to attend the University.

The high school players are local all-conference selections Laurie Fleischauer of Pleasant Hill and Jennifer Piper of South Eugene as well as Jennifer Topham of Milwaukie and Rachelle Taylor of Atrus Heights, Calif. Marnie McCall, who starred as a prep at Medford, is the JC transfer currently playing at

Central Arizona College.

Fleischauer is an outfielder with a .391 batting average. She plays for the Lady Hawks during the summer softball season.

"She will add depth to our hitting and can play first or the outfield. She has lots of power and is a student-athlete who can really help us," Brown said.

Topham, also an outfielder, has a .360 batting average, a .990 fielding percentage and is also a member of the Lady Hawks. "Jennifer has excellent speed and is a raw talent with lots of potential. She is a switch hitter which is always a plus," she said.

Piper plays many positions and will help the Ducks as a utility player. She has a .331 batting average and plays for Stark Street Pizza over the summer. Taylor is a right-handed pitcher with a .315 batting average and a .980 fielding percentage.

McCall, an outfielder, is the leading hitter in the nation among junior colleges with better than a .600 batting average.

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