

Winter blues no match for women's track team

It might still be only winter, which means any meets the Oregon track teams compete in are indoors.

But several Ducks have picked right up where they left off last spring, or even bettered last year's performances as evident by the women's track team in the Vandal Indoor this past weekend at the Kibbie Dome on the University of Idaho campus.

Laurel Roberts, who just missed making the NCAA meet a year ago, had her best high jumping weekend ever as a Duck at the Vandal Indoor.

On Friday, Roberts cleared 5-10 to win the collegiate competition, but came back Saturday to win the open high jump competition with a leap of 6-0, just off her personal record of

6-0½ set at last year's Prefontaine Classic.

Roberts has also started long jumping on a competitive basis this season. On Saturday, Roberts won a collegiate long jump competition for the first time in her career, leaping 19-0¼, equaling Oregon's best mark in that event for all of last year.

Oregon's two best sprinters, senior Rosie Williams and freshman Camara Jones, were the only other individual event winners for the Ducks.

Williams sped to a 7.0 clocking to win the 50-meter dash Friday while Jones was fifth in 7.2, despite winning her trials heat.

However, Jones did rebound to win the 200-meter dash Saturday with a time of 24.98.

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Dan Vidlak, now ranked 4th in the country at 118 pounds, remained undefeated against 17 wins this season with a 20-5 technical fall victory, jumping the Ducks out to a usual good start.

Scott Glenn, who's looking toward a sport in the NCAA championships for the third time, dominated his 134-pound match with a 12-5 win. Glenn's 26 victories leads the team.

Stone closed out his last home match in the finest season of his career with a pin at 51 seconds left in the first period.

Stone improved his record to 24-8-1 after compiling a 17-14-1 record two seasons ago.

Finley said Stone could be the surprise wrestler of the Pac-10 championships.

Darren Gustafson, Mat Sprague and Jeff McCoy each won their matches in the 158, 167 and 177 classes, respectively.

Curt Strahm won 7-3 in the 190-pound weight class and remained undefeated in dualmeet action this year with a 14-0 record. With the win, Strahm moved into a fourth-place tie on the all-time Oregon career victory

list with Duane Stutzman at 87.

Cam Strahm closed the final match with a 12-4 heavyweight victory, in which he compiled four take-downs.

The seniors reflected satisfactorily on their careers after the match.

Curt Strahm also was happy of his home record.

"I only lost once at Mac Court in four years, so that's definitely the highlight of my career," he said.

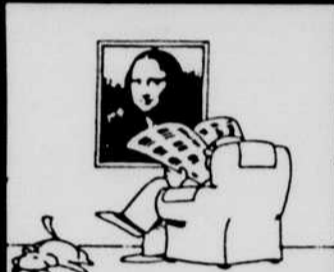
Cam Strahm said his memories go beyond the matches on the mat, and include watching his younger brother Curt rise in his wrestling career at Oregon.

The Ducks, ranked 15th in the *Amateur Wrestling News*, now get ready for the Pac-10 championships and the Arizona State Wildcats, who are ranked fourth.

It seems the Pac-10 Championships will be more than just a warm-up for the NCAA Tournament.

"The Pac-10's a really strong wrestling conference," said Glenn. "Every weight class has at least one or two all-Americans in it. I think the Pac-10 (championships) are going to be a good challenge for the team and myself."

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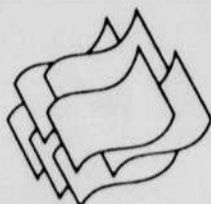
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