

## SPORTS

### Ducks add two NCAA qualifiers

Stone, Strahm give Oregon six wrestlers for national meet

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Oregon will be sending six wrestlers to the NCAA Championships March 14-16 in Iowa City, Iowa, as two more Ducks were added as wildcard qualifiers after the Pacific-10 Conference meet Sunday.

Seniors Rob Stone (142 pounds) and Cam Strahm (heavyweight), who both finished fourth at the Pac-10s, were added as two of the eight wildcard entries selected by the conference coaches after the meet. However, freshman Mat Sprague (167 pounds) wasn't picked as a wildcard entry. He will be an alternate for the NCAAs.

Stone and Strahm will join teammates Dan Vidlak, Scott Glenn, Darren Gustafson and Curt Strahm at the NCAA meet.

The top three finishers in each weight class qualify for the NCAAs, and four of the six Oregon wrestlers will be making return appearances at the NCAA Championships.

The Ducks finished third behind Arizona State and Cal-State Bakersfield in the team standings, which was right about where Coach Ron Finley had the Ducks figured in before the meet.

"We certainly would have liked to have done better, but second or third was where I thought we would be and that's how it came out."

Finley was also extremely pleased that Oregon was able to get six wrestlers to the NCAA Tournament after sending five to nationals last season.

"I think there were some great competitive efforts," he said. "It was a tough tournament and extremely balanced. Seven out of the 10 weight classes had champions from different schools."

"It's the toughest Pac-10 tournament I've seen in a long time."

While Curt Strahm, Vidlak and Glenn are in the NCAAs for the third straight year, and Cam Strahm for the second straight season, Stone, a senior, and Gustafson (158 pounds), a junior, are going to the NCAA meet for the first time.

Gustafson and Stone would have both been considered darkhorses for the NCAAs before the season, but each came through with strong performances throughout the season and in the Pac-10 tournament.

"He was the real spotlight of the whole tournament," Finley said of Gustafson. "He wrestled in virtual obscurity all year. There's nothing spectacular, nothing flashy about him."

"He was the toughest he's been all year (at the Pac-10s)," he said. "The thing about him is that he wrestles with great consistency."

Stone started the season at 134 pounds, but recently moved up to 142 pounds so Glenn could drop down to 134 pounds. Because of that, Finley said there was some doubt whether Stone would make the NCAAs as a wildcard entry, despite 25 wins this season.

"There was a lot of concern there because he had been at 134 all year," Finley said. "Rob's proven he's not somebody anyone would like to wrestle."

With four NCAA veterans returning to the tournament, the Ducks could improve on last year's 30th-place finish there, but Finley said Oregon will need help from Stone and Gustafson to do well in Iowa City.

"It's a hard one to predict," he said. "Certainly we want to be as high as we can be. We'll need big efforts from Dan, Scott Glenn and Curt Strahm, our mainstays."

"We also need to win matches at other places too," Finley said. "Certainly there will be some non-ranked, non-seeded people back there and we need to win some matches there."

### RIM Results

Feb. 14

BASKETBALL

Men's I

Yur Gonna Looz 97 Too Bad 67  
Theta Chi A 70 Fiji II 62

Men's II

Peace Daddies 79 Ain't Done With  
You 52

Kappa Sig II B 56 Fiji IIA 34

Delta Upsilon 90 Sigma Chi II B 67  
Phi Psi B I over Pike II by forfeit  
Lambda Chi I over Inch High Private  
Eye by forfeit

RACQUETBALL

Men's I

Kappa Sigma I 2 Roll Out 0

Men's II

Phi Psi II A 2 Sigma Nu 1

Feb. 15

BASKETBALL

Men's III

Sigma Epsilon C over BTP by forfeit  
The 8 Balls 46 Hammer Time 32  
Phi Psi Wildcats 41 Theta Chi III 33  
The Bridgemen 56 Golden Flashes  
46

Milk Train 38 The Rhinos 35

The Bookhouse Boys 54 Sigma Nu I  
12

Feb. 18

BASKETBALL

Men's I

Kappa Sigma 65 Air Raid 32

Men's II

Caswell Cavaliers 46 Sigma Chi II D  
32

Delta Tau Delta 50 Sigma Epsilon B  
36

Phi Psi II B 50 Dry Heaves 31

Brothers in Arms 58 Big Swifty 47

Ground Hogs 59 Sigma Chi II C 54

Theta Chi B 49 The Men's RIM BB  
Team 39

Kappa Sigma II A 42 Cherry Pickin'  
Daddies 26

Men's III

Chord Lords 66 4 Men & a Lady 30

Feb. 19

BASKETBALL

Men's II

Dazed and Confused over Delta

Upsilon III by forfeit

White Trash 42 RIM Job 39

Runnin' Rasta Men 78 Sami's Treat  
45

Beta Theta Pi 60 Terminators 58

Phi Delta Theta B 72 Shemp and the  
Boyz 68

Delta Upsilon II 33 Sigma Alpha

Epsilon II 23

Night Train 51 Warriors 11

Women

Sigma Kays over Bombs by forfeit

Delta Gamma 63 Bob's Auto Garage  
15

Kappa Alpha Theta 38 AO-No

Socials 31

Air Force 46 Spiller 11

Feb. 20

BASKETBALL

Men's II

Sigma Epsilon A 63 Theta Chi II 51

Weeges 70 Delta Upsilon II 49

Sprockets 66 Hurtin' Unit 47

Bombers 77 Phi Psi II B 33

Phi Delta Theta 51 Caswell Cavaliers  
40

En Banc Shot 59 Night Train 50

No Mercy 87 Runnin' Rasta Men 57

Alpha Tau Omega 53 Beta Theta Pi  
35

Snot 47 Brothers in Arms 44

Men's III

Henderson Hemp Team 33 Slam 'n

Shooters 20

IV Bills 48 Okole Kickers 33

Corey's Posse 57 Air Rhubarb 31

VOLLEYBALL

Coed I

Balls and Dolls over Pikes / Sigma

Kays 15-5, 15-9

Cordozo's Crushers over Disciples  
15-7, 7-15, 15-11

Coed II

Delts/ Tri Delts over AXO & Phi Psi  
15-7, 15-9

Carson III over Verbose 15-6, 15-6

Coed III

Village People over Keiko's 15-13,  
15-7

Guys and Dolls over Vicious

Rutabaga 15-8, 15-5

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