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ASU, Arizona next up for Oregon

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After two losses to visiting UCLA and USC last weekend, you can't blame the Oregon women's basketball team for looking forward to next year.

The defeats left the Ducks at 3-11 in the Pacific-10 Conference and 10-14 overall and guaranteed Oregon Coach Elwin Heiny only his second season without a winning record at Oregon.

The Ducks' previous worst record under Heiny was a 14-14 mark in the 1984-85 season. This year's squad can finish with that same record, at best, by winning their remaining four games.

Despite the grim possibility of a losing record, Heiny is upbeat about the players that will return next season. He started four freshman Sunday against the Trojans and even played all five of his rookies at one time during the game.

Heiny will likely start freshmen Debbie Sporcich, Sara Wilson, Iesha Smith and Missy Stowell again this week at Arizona State and Arizona.

"The key to this season is, we know we're young, we know we're going to be real good next year, and we still want to win some games," Heiny said.

"We want to end on a positive note: in other words, the fact that we can learn and still improve each game."

Arizona State and Arizona, teams that Oregon beat in games at McArthur Court in January, will give the Ducks an opportunity to learn and improve this week, but the games will be far from a

cakewalk for the struggling Ducks.

Arizona State, 4-10 in the Pac-10 and 13-10 overall, will host Oregon on Thursday night, and the Ducks play at Arizona, 1-13 in the Pac-10 and 6-21, Saturday night.

Heiny believes that the Arizona schools could be tougher the second time around.

"I think that both they and us have probably changed since we played last," Heiny said. "We have seen them, and that should help, but at the same time we pretty much forgot what we were doing."

"And right now," he said, "I'm more worried about ourselves and what we can do than worry about them."

If the Ducks are to win, they must start shooting better from the field. In two of its last three games, Oregon had two of its worst shooting performances this season. The Ducks shot only 29 percent against Washington, and against the Trojans, a mere 28 percent of the Ducks' shots fell.

Wilson and Sporcich, Oregon's two freshman posts, have been so far been immune to the Ducks' shooting flu. The pair combined for 41 of Oregon's 74 points against UCLA and scored exactly half of the Ducks' 44 points against USC.

Wilson especially had an exceptional weekend, scoring a career-high 28 points, shooting 11 of 13 in the UCLA game and grabbing an Oregon weekend best of 10 rebounds over the Trojans.

"She had a great weekend, just outstanding," Heiny said. "She's always worked very hard and probably plays the toughest post defense of anyone around."



Photo by Andre Kanieri

Forward Iesha Smith will be one of four freshmen in the starting lineup as Oregon faces Arizona State and Arizona.

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"To sweep all doubles matches is not done very often," Greider said, "especially when you have to win the third sets in first and third doubles."

"After the singles matches, I told the girls that the other team thought they already had the match won and that we had

a chance to sneak out the win," he said.

It may seem like the Northridge win would soften the blow of being shut out on both Friday and Saturday, but Greider was thrilled with the way his team performed in both losses.

"We played our best tennis of the year against UCLA and our second-best tennis against

UC-Irvine," he said.

"Our goal was to win 10 games against UCLA, and we ended up winning 27 in the singles alone," Greider said.

Not only did the team win 27 games on the road against one of the nation's top five teams,

they managed to win two sets. Roberts, at first singles, fell to Cammie Foley 6-2, 1-6, 1-6, and Fairgrieve lost 6-3, 1-6, 3-6 at fourth singles against Allegra Milholland.

Oregon continues its busy

schedule with six matches in four days in California beginning with Fresno State on Thursday. The Ducks face Nevada-Reno, Santa Clara, UC-Davis, St. Mary's and Pacific over the weekend before heading home.

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