

# Another Duck team plagued by injuries

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Last year's Oregon football team made injuries a cliched joke, and no one thought it could ever be as bad again for anyone.

Well, the women's basketball team is making a good run at it.

The road trip to the Washington schools last weekend heralded the return of Debbie Sporcich, who starred for the Ducks early in the season before an injury sidelined her for 10 games, including the first half of the Pacific-10 Conference season.

The sophomore forward scored 14 points in 23 minutes of the win at Washington State on Saturday, and coach Elwin Heiny noticed a difference in the Ducks — 13-8 overall and 5-6 in the Pac-10.

"Debbie's presence in the Washington State game was a major factor and sort of carried us to victory," Heiny said. "She is getting healthier, but the key is that we have to play her within certain limits."

"When she's in the lineup, things happen. Even in a short time on the floor at Washington, her presence made an immediate impact."

It's nice to have Sporcich, for sure, but that doesn't mean everybody is back.

Center Sara Wilson came back from an injury against Montana State, the same game that Sporcich was sidelined. Coincidentally, Wilson stayed out of the Washington State game — Sporcich's second game back — because of a sore foot.

Wilson is questionable for tonight's 7:30 contest at McArthur Court with Arizona State and Saturday night's game against Arizona, but Sporcich is just happy to be playing in Eugene for the first time since



Debbie Sporcich

Dec. 28, though she won't be at full strength.

"I'm looking forward to it," Sporcich said. "I'm real happy, but I just wish my foot felt better."

The Ducks should certainly be feeling better when Sporcich heals because Oregon has shown a weakness on the boards and has more injuries than just Wilson and Sporcich.

Missy Stowell may be limited in playing time this weekend because of a sore foot, and she is one of only three players to have taken the court in all 21 games. The other two, Staci Wallenborn and Vanessa Selden, have taken up much of the slack along with Stowell.

Wallenborn was the top scorer in the Ducks' 69-66 loss at Washington, and Selden, Oregon's 5-foot-7 point guard, has been the Ducks' top rebounder recently. The junior pulled down 16 boards during last weekend's road trip, a team-high.

Rebounding has proved to be a discouraging dilemma for the Ducks. Oregon rebounded the ball only 22 times against the Huskies, including a meager one offensive rebound.

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