

Oregon's Jeff Lyons led the Duck Invitational after the first day.

## Swinging Ducks lead golf tourney

→ Men's team stages comeback in Duck Invitational, shoots for the win today

By Steve Mims **Emerald Contributor** 

Oregon's men's golf team used a strong second round to move into first place in the Duck Invitational Monday at Eugene Country Club.

The Ducks rebounded from a 14-over-par 298 in the morning round, coming back in the afternoon with a 293. They currently lead UC-Irvine by two shots, with San Jose State and Long Beach State four and eight shots back, respectively.

Oregon's Jeff Lyons shot a second-round 71 to move ahead of San Jose State's Sal Enriquez by one shot in the individual race. Enriquez finished first in the morning round with a 2-under-par 70 but slipped to a 76 in the afternoon round. UC-Northridge's Jeff Sanday and Boise State's Marc Rhoades are two shots back, followed by five others at three shots back, including Oregon's Doug DuChateau and Troy Tamiya.

We made a good comeback to pass San Jose State on the second 18," Oregon head coach Shawn Aicher said. "Jeff and Jimmy (Chrisman) came around and gave us a lift."

Lyons had some sensational shots early, twice missing a hole-in-one by only one foot. He got his game together in the afternoon round when he missed a 30-foot chip by oneinch on the tenth hole. He then birdied the 11th and 12th holes to move to 1-under-par on the

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Tamiya got the Ducks off to a strong start with a 1-over-par 73 in the morning round. He followed that up strong with a 75 in the afternoon to move into a tie for fifth place.

DuChateau is also tied for fifth after shooting the opposite of Tamiya, a 75 in the morning and 73 in the afternoon. His second round got off to a shaky start as he got up as high as 5over-par before getting back to even for the round. DuChateau's putt for par at 18 lipped out, giving him a bogey and a 4-over-par 148 for the

The tournament is set for an exciting conclusion today at Emerald Valley Golf Course, as nine players are within three strokes and four teams are separated by only nine shots. When asked what it will take to win the tourney, Aicher responded, "Under-par.

Despite almost perfect golf weather, the course played tough Monday. Many pins were placed in spots where Oregon players had never seen them before. The tee boxes were moved back a step on some holes, taking away some of Oregon's home-course advantage.

"This is the toughest I've ever seen this course," Lyons said.

The tournament moves to Emerald Valley Golf Course today for the final 18 holes. All players will be teeing off at 8:30 a.m., with the top individuals from the first three teams playing together.

## **Individual Top 9**

1. Jeff Lyons-UO 74-71-145

2. Sal Enriquez-SJS 70-76-146

Jeff Sanday-UCN 76-71-147

4. Marc Rhoades-BSU

74-73-147 5. Doug DuChateau-UO

75-73-148 6. Troy Tamiya-UO

73-75-148 7. Jeff Arneson-SJS 73-75-148 8. William Yanagisawa-UCI

75-73-148 9. Adam Horodyski-UCI 73-75-148

Other Oregon finishes -James Chrisman 81-74-155. Mark Aldrich 76-79-155

## **Team Standings**

1. Oregon — 298-293-591

2. UC-Irvine - 298-295-593

3. San Jose State -296-299-595

4. Long Beach State -301-298-599

5. UC-Northridge -309-302-611

6. Boise State - 308-310-618 7. Oregon State -

321-303-624 8. Utah State — 314-313-627

9. Portland - 313-316-629 10. Washington State -

310-320-630 11. Portland State -

319-319-638 12: British Columbia

317-322-639





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