

# Ducks cruise to easy win over Weber State

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The Oregon women's basketball team got exactly what it needed Saturday night in a blowout with overmatched Weber State.

The Ducks won 84-45 at MacArthur Court to close out home stand that included threes game in four nights.

The Ducks, still smarting from a disappointing loss to No. 24 DePaul on Thursday, went on a 14-2 run early and led by 20 points just ten minutes into the game while on their way to stomping the Wildcats.

The Ducks were able to play their entire roster during the blowout and gave some much-needed rest to their starters. Forward Debbie Sporcich, the teams leading scorer and rebounder, played just 12 minutes and spent the second half nursing a bruise on her foot.

"That is a game I wish we could have had earlier," Oregon head coach Elwin Heiny said. "We were clearly the better team. I was able to get everyone in and they got experience and were able to practice some things. That game was a lot of fun to play."

Karen Healea made the most out of the opportunity to play, as she scored a career-high 16 points, grabbed five rebounds and had three steals. Healea, a sophomore from Tigard, had a previous career-high of three points earlier this year and scored just four points in her college career before Saturday night.

"Karen was outstanding," Heiny said. "She showed what she can do when given the opportunity."

Guards Peggy Swadener and Jennifer Johansen also had career highs with 14 and six points, respectively. Swadener was especially hot from long range where she made four of nine three-point shots.

Weber State scored the game's first two points before Oregon responded with a 27-5 run to pull ahead by 20 points with 9:42 remaining in the first half. Three minutes later the Ducks began a 13-0 run that put them ahead 45-13 before they settled for a 49-19 halftime lead.

The Ducks were never threatened in the second half as their lead swelled to as many as 44 points when Swadener hit a three-pointer to put Oregon ahead 77-33 with 5:45 remaining in the game.

The game marked the collegiate debut of highly-touted freshman Debbie Reynolds who scored four points and dished out three assists in 12 minutes.

Missy Stowell poured in 13 points, including three three-pointers for the Ducks to go along with four assists and two steals. Center Sara Wilson scored 13 points and grabbed seven rebounds for the Ducks. Cindy Murphy had a team-high nine rebounds to go along with 10 points.

The Ducks dominated the Wildcats in almost every statistical category, including field

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