

Women battle weather at meet

By Erick Studenicka
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Olympian Suzy Hamilton summed up the weather conditions at Hayward Field Saturday best when she said, "If it was bad like this in Wisconsin, we'd be inside."

Despite the rainy, blustery conditions, several Oregon women were able to post seasonal-best marks during the Oregon Invitational. Long jumper Kelly Blair and sprinter LaReina Woods actually took advantage of the southerly winds to record career, albeit wind-aided, bests in their events.

Blair won the long jump in 20-4, a three-inch improvement on her previous best. Conditions during the long jump got so bad that several competitors passed on their final jump opportunities.

"The wind was a factor because it made it hard to judge where to start the approach," Blair said. "When it got really ugly and was pouring, I knew it was worthless to keep going."

In the 100-meter run, which was on the east side of the track for the first time this season in order to take advantage of the wind direction, Woods outclassed the field by eight meters. Woods' time of 11.50 bettered her previous best of 11.68, another wind-aided time.

"That's the best I've ever seen LaReina run technically, especially in the last 50 meters," said Mark Stream, the women's sprint coach. "All she needs is a nice day, and she will run really fast."

Two young Oregon distance runners were outstanding. Freshman Heidi Van Borkulo-Goldstein won the first event of the day, the 10,000-meter run, in 35:43, and sophomore Jenna Carlson took third in the 3,000-



Photo by Randy Thieben

Olympian Suzy Hamilton tries to keep dry before claiming first place in the 800 Saturday in the Oregon Invitational at Hayward Field.

meter run in 9:34, a 14-second improvement over her previous best. The only women ahead of Carlson were former Oregon distance stars Liz Wilson and Eryn Forbes.

Julie Beck, perhaps the most underrated of the Oregon ath-

letes, won both the shot put and discus. Ashley Selman was another winner on the field, throwing the javelin 174-3 during a downpour.

Camara Jones moved down

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