

NCAA restores athletes' eligibility

The eligibility of two Colorado student athletes involved in campus and home visits by members of the Oregon football coaching staff last week during a non-recruiting period has been restored by the NCAA, University faculty representative for athletics Jim O' Fallon announced Thursday.

"I received a call from the director of eligibility at the NCAA telling me that it has been determined that contacts with recruited student-athletes last week was a secondary violation and no recruiting advantage was gained and the eligibility of the student

athletes involved has been restored," O' Fallon said.



BROOKS

Spring — also were free to sign a letter-of-intent with Oregon should they choose when the

signing period begins Feb. 1.

Oregon head football coach Rich Brooks, reached on a recruiting trip in California, said he was sorry that the student athletes involved had to be put through the ordeal.

"All we did was respond to an inquiry we made to the NCAA," Brooks said. "It would be helpful if NCAA rules remained the same for three to four years so that these kinds of incidents wouldn't happen in the future. We don't know what else we could have done except go to the source of the rules. Otherwise, we wouldn't have been out

recruiting."

Gary Gray, the athletic department's NCAA compliance officer, was told by two different members of the NCAA staff for legislative services at the San Diego, Calif., convention that visits were permissible last Thursday following the American Football Coaches Convention in Dallas, Texas.

"We do not break rules and we were not trying to circumvent the rules last week," Brooks said. "We did not gain an advantage by visiting those athletes last week. We could just as easily be doing that today or tomorrow."

Duck women take care of Cougars, 84-66

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The Oregon women's basketball team streaked its way to an 84-66 victory over Washington State to improve its Pacific-10 conference record to 3-1 Thursday night.

The first streak of the night began with the Ducks' top all-around player Arianne Boyer. Boyer, who has been averaging 19 points and 8.7 rebounds a game during the Pac-10 schedule, collected three points, one steal and one block in the first four minutes of the game. One minute later, Boyer teamed up with center Renae Fegent for a back-and-forth string of three consecutive baskets, collecting two more points while adding two assists to her spurt. For the half Fegent poured in 14 points.

While the Ducks had opened their lead to an 18-6 spread, the Cougars found a rhythm of their own with 12:00 remaining in the half. Behind the outside shooting of Julie Wight and the inside play of Kireen Ellis, the Cougars inched their way back to close within one point, 26-25.

Just as it looked as if the Cougars might take the lead, Oregon's Cindie Edamura started a lightning-bolt streak with 3:30 remaining in the half. In the closing minutes, Edamura scored eight of her 10 first-half points to take the Ducks into the lockerroom with a 40-32 lead.

"There were some openings, and my shots were falling, so I just went after it," Edamura said.

In the second half, the Ducks never relinquished



NATALIE MONTGOMERY/Emerald

Oregon, the Pac-10 leading field goal percentage defense, held the Cougars to 42.2 percent from the field on Thursday night at MacArthur Court.

Cougars, Hendrickson nip Ducks in tight contest

OREGON BASKETBALL

WSU 83,
Oregon 78

■ **Next:**
Oregon at
Washington,
Saturday,
3 p.m.

■ **The Numbers:** The Ducks shot just over 40 percent from the field while the Cougars hit on 54 percent of the shots from the field. Oregon was 10-of-24 (41.7) from 3-point range though.



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PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — Mark Hendrickson scored nine of his 25 points in the final 1:47, and Washington State beat No. 17 Oregon 83-78 Thursday night, dropping the Ducks out of first place in the Pacific-10.

Oregon (11-2) dropped to 3-1 in the conference, one half-game back of No. 4 UCLA, a 71-61 winner over No. 11 Arizona Thursday night.

Hendrickson's run began with a dunk, and he hit two free throws with 43 seconds remaining to put the Cougars up for good 77-76.

He then intercepted an

inbounds pass and hit three of four free throws and added another dunk in the final seconds.



WILLIAMS

up their third victory in four games against ranked teams.

Oregon was led by Orlando Williams with 27 points, including five-of-11 on 3-point attempts.

Jeff Potter added 13 points for the Ducks, who shot 39 percent in the first half.

Darryl Parker pulled down nine boards and came up with three steals for the Ducks.

The Cougars trailed 34-27 at halftime, but outscored the Ducks 22-12 in the first eight minutes of the second half. The lead changed hands six times before Hendrickson took over.

The loss ended the Ducks' eight-game winning streak and dropped their road record to 3-2.

The Ducks travel to Seattle on Saturday to take on the Washington Huskies (5-8, 1-4), who enter the game fresh off a 75-57 thrashing of Oregon State. Game time is 3 p.m.

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NAMES IN THE GAME

NEW YORK (AP) — **Isaiah Rider** of the Minnesota Timberwolves and **Harold Miner** of the Miami Heat, winners of the last two NBA Slam-Dunk Championships, head the entries for this year's event in Phoenix. Rider is the defending champion.

Rookie **Grant Hill** of the Detroit Pistons is also entered, along with **Tony Dumas** of the Dallas Mavericks, **Eddie Jones** of the Los Angeles Lakers and **Robert Pack** of the Denver Nuggets.

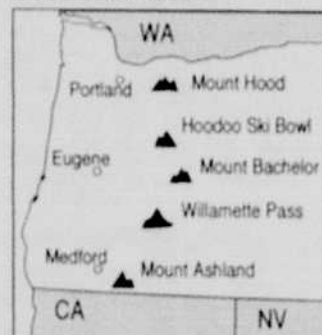
PORTLAND (AP) — The NBA, in its first enforcement of a new rule aimed at eliminating bench-clearing brawls, suspended half the Trail Blazers team for one game on Thursday.

The two who actually fought in Portland's 95-88 loss at Sacramento on Tuesday night, the Blazers' **Rod Strickland** and the Kings' **Olden Polynice**, were suspended without pay for one game and fined \$5,000 each.

The Blazers who came off the bench to the aid of Strickland — **Clyde Drexler**, **Mark Bryant**, **James Edwards**, **Harvey Grant** and **Jerome Kersey** — were suspended without pay for one game and fined \$2,500 apiece.

Because a team must have at least eight players available to play in a game, the penalties will be staggered.

SKI REPORT



■ **Mount Hood** — overcast 28 degrees 96 base machine groomed snow 4 lifts 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.

■ **Hoodoo Ski Bowl** — clear 10 degrees 9 new 78-102 base packed powder 3 lifts

■ **Mount Bachelor** — partly cloudy 24 degrees 1 new 104-131 base machine groomed snow 8 lifts 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

■ **Willamette Pass** — clear 28 degrees 1 new 62-92 base packed powder 29 trails 4 lifts Jan 21: City League 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Fri 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

■ **Mount Ashland** — partly cloudy 23 degrees 1 new 92-140 base machine groomed snow 4 lifts 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.