

Huskies' pressure defense doesn't shake Ducks' fundamentals

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On Saturday, MacArthur Court played host to a hyped up, heated basketball feud between the Oregon and Washington women's basketball teams.

Or was it? According to Washington, there is no rivalry between the two teams, nor should there be. Washington guard Shannon Kelly said Stanford is the Huskies' rival, not Oregon.

All the hype, so-called rivalry and speculation on foul calls aside, it was apparent that the game came down to basic fundamentals. The Ducks won because they made more free throws and less turnovers than the Huskies.

The Huskies, obviously frustrated by their sloppy play and questionable foul calls and seemingly angered by some Oregon pre-game comments, all but beat themselves by sending the Ducks to the free throw line 39 times, 28 of which Oregon converted for points. And to top it off, Washington made only 13 of

30 free throw attempts — including two stretches in which they missed eight free throws in a row and committed 22 turnovers.

The final score was 83-61, but there seems to be some question as to what the outcome meant. Whether it was about top 25 rankings, second place in the Pacific 10 Conference or the Oregon-Washington rivalry, the tale of this story seems to differ depending on who you talk to.

According to Oregon coach Jody Runge, the performance showed the Ducks' ability to handle 13th-ranked Washington's pressure, which has traditionally haunted the Ducks.

"It is hard for us to simulate that pressure in practice," Runge said. "That has hurt us in the past. I hope that this is a sign that our team is handling pressure better."

Kelly said the Huskies' lackluster play showed the team's lack of desire to win.

"The thing that I think was most frustrating was a lot of people on this team show a lack of

heart as far as not digging in at the end," Kelly said. "This team has to find its heart and its pride before we drop another one, which we definitely can't do."

According to Washington head coach Chris Gobrecht, it was a game in which her players were not as aggressive as the foul situation might have shown.

"I didn't think we were very aggressive tonight, and I think that is part of what is hard," Gobrecht said. "The Oregon kids do a great job of selling the call. I think that a lot of times it is the kind of stuff you just need to let go. It is just people playing."

"Things happen in a basketball game."

When asked about the officiating in this game and others, Gobrecht commented that Thursday's game against Oregon State "was a well officiated game."

Kelly added that by taking away the physical game, the Huskies had no where to go.

"If you take the aggressiveness out of this team, we don't really

have much after that," Kelly said.

Washington forward Laura Gonsalves agreed.

"It was just tough because everybody was in foul trouble," she said. "We never got a chance to play our game."

But perhaps Oregon center Renae Fegent, putting aside whether the fouls should have been called, nailed the story of the game — and perhaps of the Ducks' attitude towards pressure defenses — on the head. After facing two of their most physical opponents in Oregon State and Washington over the last week and a half, the Ducks seem to have grasped a new-found way of dealing with tough defensive pressure.

"The refs looked after us," Fegent said, pinpointing the numerous over-the-back foul calls. "We cashed in on that."

"We handled their pressure a lot better in the second half," Fegent said of the Huskies. "I don't think we are afraid of their physical game."

Pac-10 Standings Women's Basketball



	CONF.	OVERALL
Stanford	5-0	14-1
Oregon	4-1	11-3
Washington	4-2	14-5
Arizona	3-2	8-9
USC	3-3	10-4
Oregon St.	2-3	10-4
WSU	2-4	9-6
UCLA	2-4	7-8
Arizona St.	1-4	7-7
California	1-4	6-8

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29-22. For the game, Schutt connected for 16 points, including three from beyond the arch.

"To go three-for-three helps my confidence a lot," Schutt said. "Hopefully I'm back on track."

The Ducks increased their lead by halftime to 40-28 with the help of their back-court players. In the final three minutes of play, Cindie Edamura and Crowe combined for nine points and some nice defensive work. After making two free throws, Edamura stole the ball from Washington's Shannon Kelly and made a half-court pass to Crowe for an easy layup.

The Ducks were surprised with their lead at halftime and figured the Huskies would make a game of it during the final

half.

"We came in at halftime and said the score is 0-0, and we need to come out and play hard right now," Oregon's Arianne Boyer said.

During the opening minutes of the second half, Washington's deficit remained at 12 points as the Ducks started to show signs of a blowout.

Oregon's run at its largest lead of the game began with a buzzer-beater hook shot by Boyer from 12 feet out. And it just kept coming.

First, Renae Fegent hit two free throws to push the lead to 19 points. Then Fegent struck again, making two more, and Schutt followed with a three-pointer to increase the spread to 26 points.

Oregon's Betty Ann Boeving topped the Ducks out at 31 points as she made the hoop with four minutes remaining.

It seemed as if Washington could do nothing right. Rhonda Smith, the Huskies' season-leading scorer, fouled out with 6:37 remaining in the game. And for a span of seven minutes, the Huskies did not score.

As the game came to a close, it just got worse for the Huskies. Washington had a total of four players foul out, while the rest of the team missed eight consecutive free throws on two different occasions, leading tempers to flare.

After the game, Washington head coach Chris Gobrecht conveyed her anger on the court at Oregon head coach Jody Runge, for not giving her bench players time when the Ducks had the game well in hand with two minutes remaining.

"She was very unhappy," said Runge, of Gobrecht.

"I think when you're up 30 with two minutes to play, it would be a nice thing

to let a lot of kids that are on your team play," Gobrecht said.

"We've beaten Washington in the past and we still haven't gotten the votes, or we still haven't gotten the respect," Runge said. "So I felt like if we were capable of doing that, that we should make a statement and try to gain some respect."

Gobrecht doesn't want to have anything to do with giving Oregon respect.

"I would certainly hope that they would quit whining about this respect issue," a distraught Gobrecht said. "You know we earned our respect. We've beaten four or five ranked teams, and half of them on the road."

"Maybe this will do it," Gobrecht said. "I hope it certainly does so they can all relax and just get down to playing basketball."

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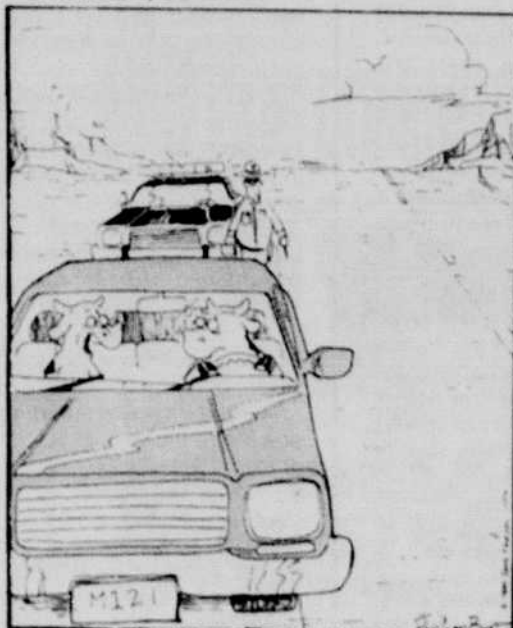
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