



## Men's tennis back on winning track

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The Oregon men's tennis team wasted no time starting a new winning streak, after having an amazing 20 consecutive victory run broken by Cal Poly San Luis Obispo over the weekend.

The Ducks swung back into their winning form against the visiting Portland Pilots on Tuesday afternoon at the Esslinger covered courts, taking the contest 6.5-.5.

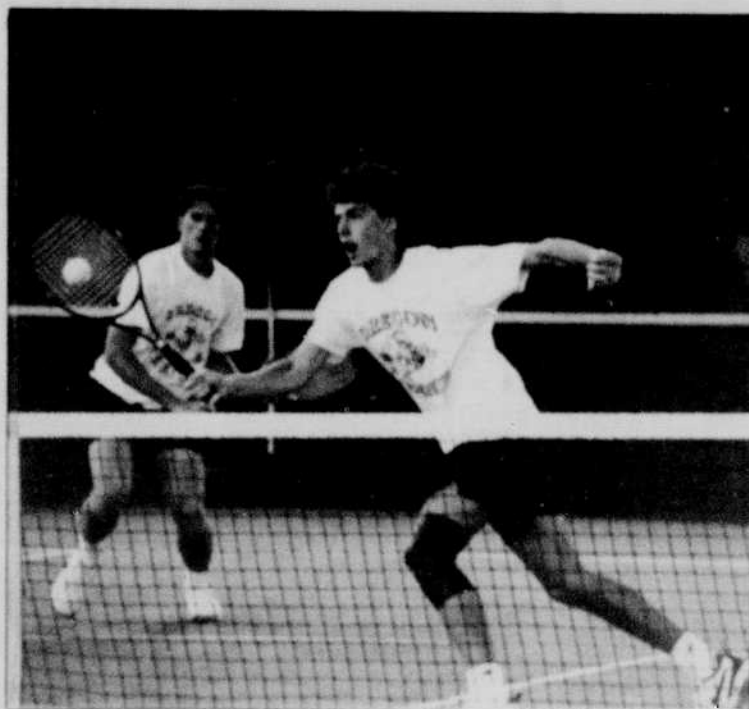
The highlight of the day came in the contest's opener between Oregon's Hans Forsberg and Dougal Williams and Portland's Chris Atzet and Henry Oldham, as the two pairs squared off in doubles action. The contest was slated as

a revenge match for the Oregon pair who had lost to the opposition earlier in the season.

From the beginning, the two pairs battled in the first to eight games wins competition. In the opening seven games, each team had broken the other's serve once. With the score standing on serve, 4-3, Atzet/Oldham advantage, the duo broke Forsberg/Williams again to take a 5-3 lead. The Oregon pair, frustrated with their play, and down a break, regained their composure in the match's next game to stage a comeback.

The game lasted nearly 20 minutes as the foes battled at deuce. With Atzet holding the serve he

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Mike Goldstein (front) and John DeVors helped the Ducks to a clean sweep of Portland Tuesday at the Esslinger covered courts.

## Exchange more than 'meets' the eye

While the Oregon football team readies itself to defend its Pacific-10 Conference title, and the Oregon basketball team ponders the highlights and what-ifs of a fateful season, the Oregon wrestling team is spending part of its already-busy off season playing host to a 15-member wrestling delegation from Japan.



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The hospitality — wedged in between the National Espoir Championships last weekend and the University Freestyle and Greco-Roman Competition later this month — is part of an exchange that will send 15 Ducks on a 13-day tour of Japan on June 17, giving the team a little bit of extra wrestling experience and, more importantly, a whole lot of cultural experience.

"I think it is one of the greatest learning experiences you can have," Oregon head coach Ron Finley said. "It really raises your cultural interest."

The Japanese team — led by

Akihiro Sato, a coach from Daito Bunka University in Tokyo — came to Oregon on March 25 and has since been given the red carpet treatment not only by Oregon wrestlers, but by those from Pacific University, Portland State, Clackamas Community College and Southern Oregon State College as well.

In between wrestling each of the schools, the visitors have been everywhere from the coast to Mount St. Helens and back again, giving them more than just a view of a stuffy gym lined with thick wrestling mats and more to do than just watch cable

TV in their hotel rooms.

And while in Japan, the Oregon delegation will receive the reciprocal of their hospitality in the form of a VIP tour — complete with home-stays with some of the wrestlers and the chance to travel — on top of getting the wrestling experience of a lifetime.

The U. S. end of the exchange culminates this Friday with an open dual meet between members of the Oregon squad and the team from Japan at Cottage Grove High School, with Oregon wrestlers donning non-Oregon singlets and wrestling unattached (the NCAA doesn't allow teams to wrestle representing their school in non-national qualifying meets). But that really isn't the highlight of the whole exchange.

You see, the whole exchange isn't for school pride or recognition; winning or losing isn't the main priority here. Sure, the team gets to compete against

*While sports have done a lot of things for a lot of people, the fact of the matter is that not everything can be learned on this field or that mat.*

wrestlers that it wouldn't otherwise wrestle, and it gets to wrestle in sometimes adverse conditions, but the exchange does much more than that.

In a day and age where the Dennis Rodmans and Steve Howes seem to dominate the sports scene, and where how much money this person gets compared to others gets a lot more notoriety than what athletes do with themselves, the exchange is refreshing, to say the least.

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## SuperSonics guard placed on leave

SEATTLE (AP) — Seattle SuperSonics guard Kendall Gill, who quarreled with coach George Karl for much of the season over playing time, was granted an indefinite leave from the team today because of clinical depression.

A brief statement issued by Sonics president Wally Walker said the diagnosis was confirmed by two doctors. Gill did not accompany the team to Utah for a game tonight against the Jazz.

"Our biggest concern right now is Kendall Gill and his well-being," Walker said.

The statement quoted Gill as saying, "I hope to feel better and contribute on the court as soon as possible, but right now I think finding a treatment and recovering must take precedence over basketball."

Gill and Karl have squabbled repeatedly during the season over the fifth-year guard's demand for more playing time.

The latest clash occurred last Wednesday night when Gill blew up at Karl in the coach's office. Team sources told *The Seattle Times* that co-captain Nate McMillan, Shawn Kemp and Gary Payton later met with Karl to discuss his treatment of Gill.

Gill, 6-foot-5 and 200 pounds, was acquired by the Sonics from Charlotte after the 1992-93 season. This season he has appeared in 67 games and has been averaging 14.1 points, 3.9 rebounds and 2.6 assists in 29.4 minutes a game.

## Ducks return to diamond for pair of Civil War tilts

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The Oregon softball team, coming off a three-game winning streak at home, takes to the road Wednesday to face Oregon State in Corvallis.

The Ducks (12-15 overall, 3-5 Pac-10) showed new life over the weekend in back-to-back doubleheaders as they won their final three games. After dropping the first game of a twin-bill with Arizona State, the Ducks pounded out 12 hits and scored seven runs in the fourth inning of game two to coast to a 9-2 victory. Shortstop Kathy Stahl ripped a grand slam in the decisive inning and pitcher Kim Kampfer picked up the complete game win.

Oregon kept the momentum rolling the next day behind two additional strong pitching per-

formances by Kampfer, en route to 6-0 and 3-1 victories over Stanford. Right fielder Angie LeRoy belted her third home run of the season in the closing game.

The Civil War matchup should prove to be a vital one for both teams as their records in the Pacific-10 Conference are almost equal. The Beavers (7-9, 2-4) are coming off encouraging splits with Arizona State and Stanford over the weekend. Oregon State, which did not win a conference game last year, is paced by Amy Warner (.333 batting average, 22 hits, and seven RBI) and Angela Cooper (.286 avg., 10 hits, and three stolen bases).

The Beavers beat the Ducks earlier this season at the UNLV Spring Fling, 4-1, to narrow Oregon's lead in the overall series to 58-47.

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### Bo knows retirement

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — Bo Jackson, once a star in two professional sports, has decided to retire from baseball and will move to a third arena — acting in movies — and on television, his business manager said Tuesday. Susann McKee, who directs Bo Jackson Enterprises in Mobile, said Jackson realized during the eight months of the baseball strike that he wanted to spend more time with his wife and three children in Chicago.

He said he made his decision to retire Monday and does not plan any general news conference to elaborate. She said he told *USA Today* of his plans and was to talk today with sports writer and television commentator Dick Schaap.

### Women's crew team returns from San Diego

The Oregon women's crew team competed in one of the nation's largest regattas over the weekend, with the novice women placing second in the petit finals competition.

The Oregon varsity women competed in the San Diego Visitor's Cup where the somewhat inexperienced crew finished strong, but did not advance to the finals in their division.

### ON THIS DATE

■ 1959 — Art Wall birdies five of the last six holes to cap a final-round 66 and edge Fred Hawkins by one stroke to capture the Masters.

■ 1967 — Wilt Chamberlain sets an NBA record with 41 rebounds to lead the Philadelphia 76ers to a 115-104 victory over the Boston Celtics and 3-0 lead in Eastern Division playoffs.

■ 1972 — For the first time ever, the major leagues fail to open because of a strike that started on April 1 and would not be settled until April 13.

■ 1984 — Kareem Abdul-Jabbar hits a sky hook in the Los Angeles Lakers' 129-115 victory over the Utah Jazz to become the all-time NBA scorer.

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