

Golf team rebounds, finishes at No. 13

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After falling from No. 11 to No. 16 due to a disastrous third round, the Oregon women's golf team regained its composure on Saturday and finished 13th among 18 teams at the NCAA Golf Championships.

The Ducks posted their second 300 of the elite tournament, thanks to solid final-round performances from Shannon Hare and Karly Mills at the Landfall Pete Dye Course in Wilmington, N.C.

Mills rebounded from a disappointing third round 86 to card a one-over par 73 on Saturday while Hare cut five strokes off her third round outing with a 73.

Hare led the Ducks with a four-round total of 301 to tie for 29th in the individual competition. Mills finished in a tie for 65th after posting a 310.

Unfazed by the pressure, Oregon's Susie Roh carded a four-round score of 307 to tie for 59th while Christel Tomori provided consistency for the women's team and finished tied for 69th with a 312. Leigh Casey tied for 96th with a 331.

Arizona State became the first team to take three straight NCAA Golf Championships with an impressive 26-stroke victory over second-place San Jose State. The Sun Devils, the West Regional champion, were just three shots over par as a team with an 1,155.

Wake Forest, the East Regional champion, finished third with a four-round total of 1,185. Stanford and Indiana rounded out the top five after carding 1,188 and

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YEAR OF THE DUCK

ORLANDO WILLIAMS



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Words cannot describe the quirky jump shot of Orlando Williams as it repeatedly tickled the twine of Mac Court, but the stats can as the 6-foot-2 guard wrapped up an incredible career at Oregon in 1995.

Williams was the sixth-leading scorer in the conference over the 1994-1995 campaign. The Portland native nabbed his second straight team MVP award for his efforts

in helping the Ducks to the NCAA Tournament.

He finished as Oregon's career record holder for three-pointers (282) and the Ducks' fourth all-time scorer with 1,674 points.

Williams ranks 29th on the all-time Pac-10 list, as well as being one of the biggest three-point threats in league history.

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Wilcox named to Giese All-America football team

Oregon tight end Josh Wilcox has been named to the Bob Giese College Football Yearbook 1995 All-America team First Team. The junior was the only Duck on the list, but six other Oregon team members made the Pacific-10 First Team.

Joining Wilcox on the conference list was offensive lineman Willy Rife, defensive lineman Troy Bailey, line-backer Jeremy Asher and defensive backs Kenny Wheaton and Alex Molden.

The yearbook predicted USC to win the conference, followed by Arizona, Washington, UCLA and Oregon.

Smits' clutch jumper evens series

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — After an almost unbelievable 3-point spree, the Indiana Pacers got the winning basket from a player who had trouble making any sort of shot all game.

Rik Smits' turnaround 14-footer at the buzzer lifted the Indiana Pacers to a 94-93 victory over the Orlando Magic on Monday, tying the Eastern Conference finals at two games apiece.

Smits' shot came after a timeout with 1.3 seconds left and capped a run of three consecutive 3-pointers in the final 13.3 seconds, two by the Magic and one by Indiana's Reggie Miller.

With Orlando's Shaquille O'Neal and Horace Grant having fouled out, Smits took an inbound pass from Derrick McKey, turned and faked reserve center Tree Rollins off his feet. Smits, who had missed 10 of his first 15 shots, ducked under Rollins and leaned in for the winner.

Fox in critical condition after Indy crash

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Stan Fox remained in critical but stable condition Monday after a brain scan found no additional injuries stemming from his crash on the first lap of the Indianapolis 500.

Fox, a veteran sprint car driver, underwent surgery on Sunday at Methodist Hospital to relieve pressure caused by a subdural hematoma, or bleeding in the brain.

Fox, 42, of Janesville, Wis., was injured just seconds into his eighth Indy 500 when his car veered to the right and slammed into a concrete wall, then was cut in half by another car.

Should athletes be paid to play for Oregon?

Should student-athletes be paid to play for their respective collegiate teams? It's a simple question. Unfortunately, that's where all the simplicity ends.

On the positive side, terms such as impoverishment and inequity are banded about while nay-sayers cry foul the sense of professionalism and financial feasibility.

It is a given that student-athletes aren't your typical college students.

They are unable to deposit that measly monthly check most of us work toward outside our academic duties. Time and physical constraints do not allow these individuals living



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in a fish bowl to actively pursue this vaunted part-time job. A student-athlete's more important duties include representing Oregon and carrying the banner for our athletic fanaticism.

But, how many of us are assured upon entering college that our entire education will be paid for? Room and board, tuition and books are non-enti-

ties in the life of a student-athlete. No traumas of towering loan repayments or fear of making that monthly housing payment crosses their minds.

In the dilemma best pondered in the "point/counterpoint" style, Oregon women's head basketball coach Jody Runge opens the discussion by admitting that she opposes financial compensation to student-athletes for their efforts.

•Point. "I think the student-athletes have a great responsibility and that creates a lot of work in representing the University," she said, "but I don't know that I care for the idea [of paying athletes] because I think that profession-

alizes amateur sports. If it's not broken, let's not fix it."

•Counterpoint. "You are already subsidizing athletics and I don't think this is going to make it any more of a professional sport by giving them an extra \$100 a month to enable them to have a lifestyle that's not even the average of some students," Oregon head football coach Mike Bellotti said.

•Yearly Oregon numbers. Scholarships include tuition for in-state and out-of-state residents in the amount of \$3,258 and \$10,777, respectively. Room and board is dependent upon where the student-athlete calls home — the dormitories at

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