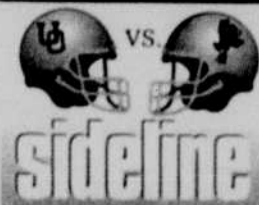


# FOOTBALL

OREGON VS ARIZONA STATE



## THE SERIES

### ASU leads series 10-5

- 1994 OREGON 34-10
- 1993 Oregon 45-36
- 1992 OREGON 30-20
- 1991 ARIZONA STATE 24-21
- 1990 OREGON 27-7
- 1989 Oregon 27-7
- 1988 Arizona State 21-20
- 1987 ARIZONA STATE 37-17
- 1986 Arizona State 37-17
- 1984 Arizona State 44-10
- 1982 Arizona State 34-3
- 1981 ARIZONA STATE 24-0
- 1980 ARIZONA STATE 42-20
- 1973 Arizona State 26-20
- 1966 ARIZONA STATE 14-10

\*Capitalization denotes home team

## 1995 OREGON SCHEDULE

- Sept. 2 Oregon 27, Utah 20
- 10 Oregon 34, Illinois 31
- 16 Oregon 38, UCLA 31
- 23 Stanford 28, Oregon 21
- Oct. 7 Oregon 45, Pacific 7
- 14 Oregon 52, California 30
- 21 Oregon 26, WSU 7
- 28 Arizona State 1 p.m.
- Nov. 4 at Washington 12:30 p.m.
- 11 at Arizona 7 p.m.
- 18 Oregon State 1 p.m.

## PAC-10 GAMES

- California at UCLA
- Stanford at Oregon State
- Arizona at Washington St.
- USC at Washington

## PAC-10 STANDINGS

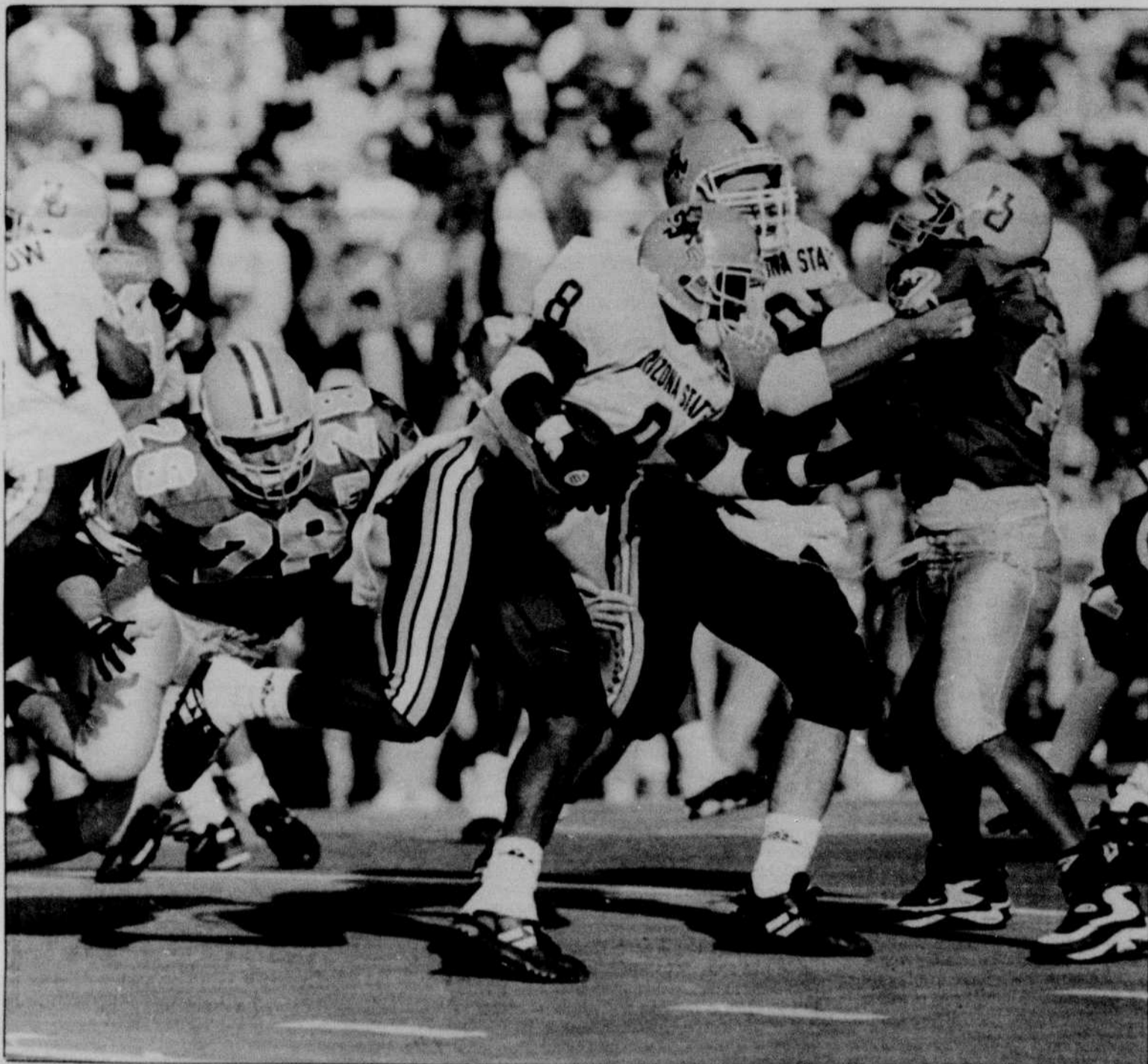
USC	4-0	6-1
Washington	4-0	5-2
Oregon	3-1	6-1
UCLA	2-2	5-2
Stanford	2-2	4-2-1
Washington St.	2-2	3-4
Arizona	1-3	3-4
Arizona St.	1-3	3-4
California	1-3	2-5
Oregon St.	0-4	1-6

## OREGON RANKS...

- ... 10th in rushing defense (104.4)
- ... 11th in total offense (291.1)
- ... 15th in passing efficiency on defense
- ... 14th in scoring (34.7)
- ... 15th in passing (278.7)
- ... 24th in total offense (430.4)
- ... 10th in the Associated Press Top 25 Poll
- ... 12th in the CNN/USA Today Top 25 Poll

## WHO TO WATCH

- Oregon quarterback Tony Graziani is ranked ninth in the nation in total offense (276.5)
- Oregon flanker Cristin McLemore is ranked 19th in receiving yardage (91.7)
- Arizona State quarterback Jake Plummer is 48th in the nation in total offense (192.9)



The last time Oregon faced Arizona State the Ducks' rush defense was superb, holding the Sun Devils to 87 yards on the ground. EMERALD

# Ducks and Devils to duke it out Saturday

■ **PREVIEW:** Oregon meets Arizona State in latest must-win game

By Andrea DeYoung  
Sports Reporter

The Ducks face the Sun Devils on Saturday, and are looking for another win in their quest for the Pacific-10 Conference Championship.

Oregon is ranked 10th in the nation by the Associated Press poll, with a 6-1 overall record.

Although Arizona State comes in with a 3-4 overall and 1-3 conference record, Oregon does not see this game as an easy win. Head coach Mike Bellotti said that the Ducks cannot overlook Arizona State.

"We have to play good football," Bellotti said. "We've talked about it ever since the Stanford game. We have to respect our opponents, stay hungry, and play 60 minutes of football. That's true no matter who we play."

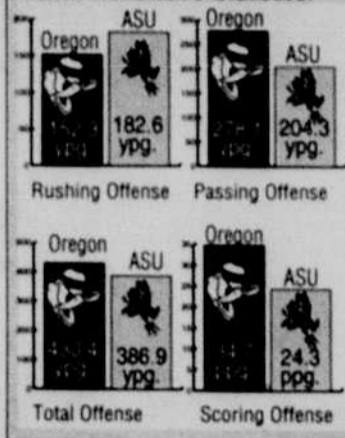
"I fear Arizona State as much as I fear anybody else in this league. I think they're capable of beating anybody and certainly I think it's going to take our best effort and I believe that our players understand that."

With many Ducks still injured, the team will have to step up and play a strong game in order to better their 3-1 Pac-10 record.

Sophomore cornerback Kenny

## COMPARING OFFENSES

Season Offensive Statistics:



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Wheaton is probably the most significant loss for the Ducks. He underwent surgery on Monday to repair tendons in his right middle finger and is not expected to return for at least a week.

Senior defensive end Troy Bailey, who has been out with a knee injury, is listed as questionable for the game. Also listed as questionable is sophomore fullback Aaron Jelks, who has a stress fracture. Senior strong safety Dante Lewis is most likely out with a sprained ankle; and sophomore kicker Matt Belden, who has not played since injuring his kicking leg in the first game, is listed as "strictly doubt-

ful," according to Bellotti.

As usual, the rest of the team will be expected to concentrate on doing what it takes to win the game against the Sun Devils. With key games against Washington and Arizona coming in the next two weeks, Saturday's game is almost a must-win game. But, Bellotti said, the key to a win would be to focus.

"We've talked about the fact that obviously we have to play one game at a time," Bellotti said, "and the game that we play this weekend is Arizona State. We've repeated that everyday to the team. We talked about the fact that we need to be focused and if we are not able to focus then we will not accomplish what we want to do."

Oregon will be watching out for certain Sun Devils. Junior quarterback Jake Plummer is ranked 48th in the nation in total offense. Bellotti called him "maybe the most dangerous quarterback we'll face." Junior wide receiver Keith Poole, averaging over 91 yards a game, is considered a "breakaway threat" by Bellotti. The Ducks hope to contain not only Plummer and Poole, but also the running game.

"They're going to run the ball," Bellotti said. "They're a power team. In that sense, they create great play-action opportunities and we just hope to limit the running game."

After a poor offensive outing last week against the Cougars, scoring points will be important for the Ducks. Of the 26 points that Oregon scored versus Washington State, Gang Green scored 14. Senior tailback Ricky Whittle, one of Oregon's most potent weapons, was double-covered by the Cougar defense and was held to season-low yardage.

Bellotti found that the ineffectiveness of the passing helped the Cougars concentrate on attacking the running backs. This week, he says, things will be different.

"We're working every week as we do on a combination of fundamentals and a new scheme to present to Arizona State," Bellotti said. "Most likely a different way to attack them with similar plays and different looks."

"I think that some of the things that caused us not to complete those passes are correctable and some of the problems we had with the running game are correctable. Those are things that we have demonstrated in the past and I feel that we can demonstrate this week."

The defense will once again have to deal with a secondary shuffle. Only senior free safety Issac Walker has started all seven games for the Ducks. Junior cornerbacks LaMont Woods and Ronnie Gipson and senior free

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