

COLLEGE FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

Oregon (16)	17	Air Force	38
Arizona	13	Army	20
Southern Cal (11)	28	Nebraska	41
Oregon St.	10	Kansas	3
Washington	38	Rutgers	45
UCLA	14	Tulane	40
Arizona St.	38	Ohio State	41
California	29	Illinois	3
Stanford	36	Northwestern	31
Washington St.	24	Iowa	20



WEEKEND HIGHLIGHTS

The Oregon volleyball team dropped a pair of games to Washington and Washington State this weekend

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Karl Keska paced the men's cross country team at the District VIII meet by placing first individually

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NFL SCORES

San Francisco	38
Dallas	20
New England	34
Miami	17
Cincinnati	34
Houston	25
Detroit	27
Tampa Bay	24
Seattle	47
Jacksonville	30

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Ducks' dismantling of Desert Swarm leads to 17-13 win

■ **FOOTBALL:** Oregon's rushing attack gains 195 yards against the Pac-10's No. 1 defense

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The Oregon football team moved one step closer to finishing the season with a 9-2 record — the best Duck finish since 1948 — with a 17-13 victory over the Arizona Wildcats Saturday.

The Ducks dismantled Desert Swarm via the legs of tailback Ricky Whittle as he racked up 107

yards on the ground and another 27 yards receiving leading to a touchdown. Whittle raised his all-purpose yardage total to 1,647 yds. for the season, breaking Sean Burwell's record of 1,613 in 1990.

At the start of the game, it didn't look like the Ducks' offense would be able to move the ball as Arizona's defense kept quarterback Tony Graziani and company silent in the first quarter, giving the Wildcats' offense good field position.

The Wildcats' first scoring drive began at their own 45-yard line after an Oregon punt. After three plays that gained the Wildcats

nine yards, quarterback Dan White connected with tight end Mike Lucky on a 40-yard pass on fourth down and one at the Oregon 46 yard line. Four plays later Arizona scored on a Gary Taylor one-yard touchdown run.

The Arizona offense got the ball back again prior to the end of the quarter off of an interception by its defense at the Wildcats' 36 yard line. The drive ended on a 50-yard field goal by kicker Jon Prasuhn.

In the second quarter, the Ducks finally found a way to beat the defense that had shut them down throughout the opening quarter —

and that way was called Whittle. On the eight-play touchdown drive, Whittle had something to do with four of them. In the drive, the tailback compiled six yards on the ground and 19 through the air. Whittle scored the touchdown on a one-yard carry.

Oregon would score again before the conclusion of the half, tying the game on a 19-yard field goal by kicker Joshua Smith.

In the third quarter, the Wildcats struck first, breaking the 10-10 tie with a 37-yard field goal after a 10-play urge stalled.

On the ensuing kickoff, the

Ducks started at their own 17-yard line. At the beginning of the eight-play, 83-yard touchdown drive, the Oregon offense looked to its back field to get things started.

The first play went to Whittle for three yards and then on second down Graziani hit fullback A.J. Jelks on an eight-yard screen pass for a first down. The Ducks went back to Whittle on the drive's next play as he rumbled for 19 yards.

After using other members of the offense to gain yardage, the game-winning score came on a five-yard pass to Jelks.

Eugene beats Toreros in home opener

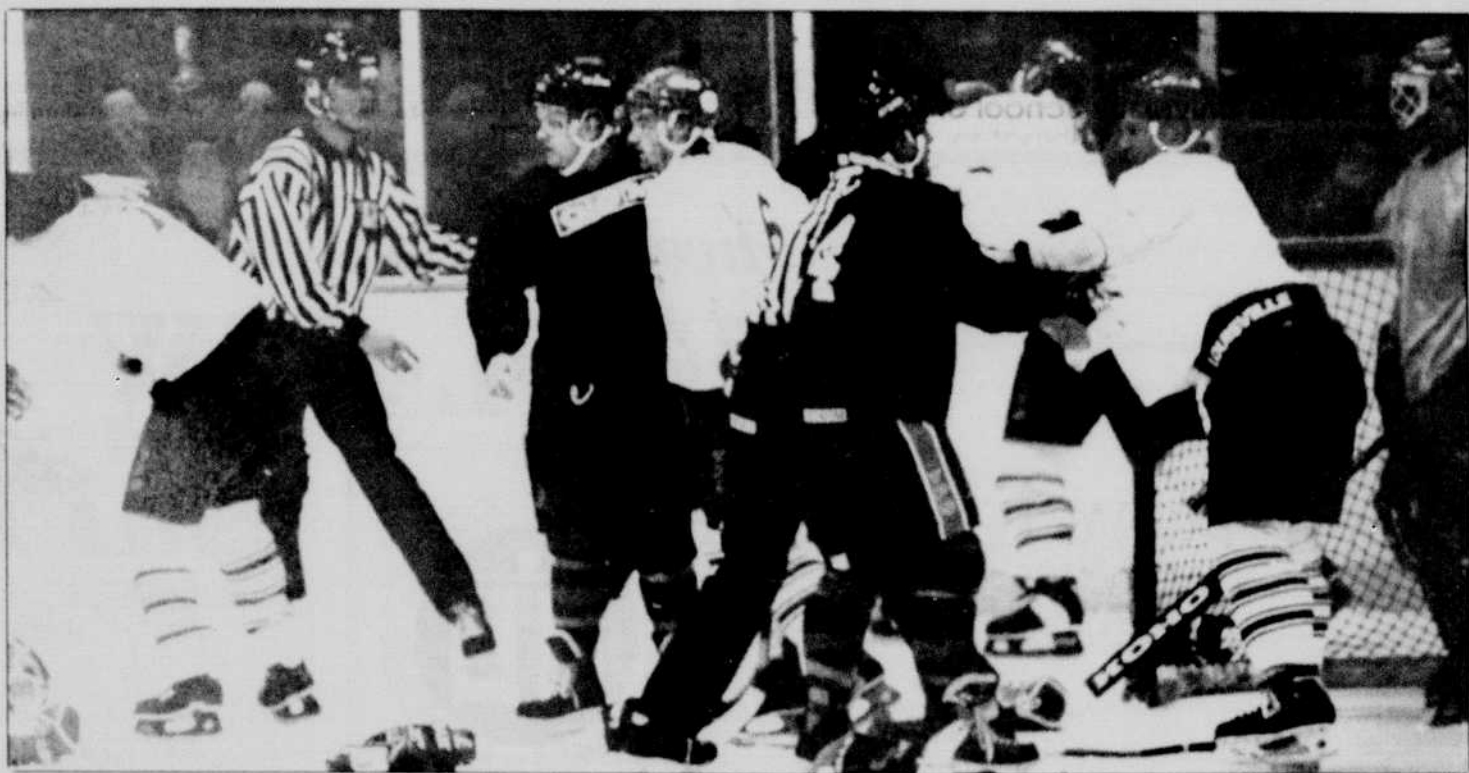
■ **HOCKEY:** Led by Darren Naylor's hat trick, the Snowcats win their franchise opener

By Mark McTyre
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The Eugene Snowcats kicked off the North American Professional Hockey League's (NAL) inaugural season in winning and brawling fashion on Friday with a 9-6 victory over the visiting Mexico City Toreros at Lane County Ice Arena.

Entering the game, Eugene head coach Dave Dupas said that his team was expecting a game filled with confrontations. He was right.

In the first period, the saying "I went to a fight and a hockey game broke out"



Friday night's game, the Eugene Snowcats franchise opener, was highlighted by a full line brawl near the end of the first period. Eugene goalie Scott Humphrey and Toreros' defenseman Link Gaetz were both ejected following the fight. Eugene beat Mexico City 9-6.

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Ducks turn in a dominating performance at regional meet

■ **CROSS COUNTRY:** Oregon heads for the NCAA Championships in Iowa next weekend

By Pete Schneider
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The Oregon women's cross country is going full steam ahead to the National Championships after a dominating performance at the District VII Meet.

The fourth-ranked Ducks assured themselves an invitation to the NCAA Championships with perhaps the best team outing of the season. Oregon scored 37 points, with four runners placing in the top 10. The Ducks, who prevailed at the Pacific-10 Conference meet by a slim margin two weeks ago, easily cruised to a victory on Saturday in the 20-team race. Stanford ended up 34 points behind the Ducks in second place, followed by Arizona (75), Washington (80), and UCLA (183).

"We wanted to beat Stanford and Arizona at regionals so that we could go into nationals feeling confident," said senior Melody Fairchild, who finished fifth in individuals competition. "We beat them by such a huge margin that we proved to the Pac-10 that we are the best on

the west coast. We're ready to go to nationals and concern ourselves with doing well there."

Oregon and Stanford received automatic bids to the NCAA meet with their first and second place finishes. Arizona and Washington are now on the bubble for selection to the big meet, but have to wait until Tuesday for an at-large bid.

In the individual competition on Saturday, Arizona's freshman phenom Amy Skiersz raced to victory by six seconds over Oregon senior Jenna Carlson. Junior Milena Glusac finished eighth, and freshman Marie Davis (ninth) joined Carlson and Fairchild in the top ten for the Ducks.

Several Oregon runners are hitting their stride at just the right time. Glusac has been hampered with an assortment of ailments this season, including a mysterious fatigue related illness. She seems to be over her sicknesses and ready to return to her two-time All-American form.

Davis, who had a break out performance at the Pac-10 meet, continued her improvement for her first top-ten finish of the year. Junior Niamh Zwaggerman and sopho-

more Rosy Gardner also turned improved performances, finishing 16 and 20, respectively.

"I think we are running our best at the end of the season," Oregon head coach Tom Heinonen said. "Rosy, Niamh and Milena — who all felt they could run better than they did at the Pac-10 meet — did run better. We were clearly better at the regionals than at the Pac-10 meet. We wanted to take another step forward at the district meet and we did. We also wanted to go into the NCAA meet on a roll and we're doing that, too."

The Ducks can only savor their victory last weekend for a moment, and then they must turn their attention to the National Championships next Saturday in Ames, Iowa. Heinonen believes that the team's performance last Saturday has established Oregon as one of the teams to beat next week in Iowa.

"I think we're up there with the biggest of the big guns — the teams that have been there the last couple of years," he said. "We're coming off two very good performances, knowing that we are solid national championship contenders."