

PAC-10 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL FIRST TEAM

KATE STARBIRD

STANFORD

- NUMBER: 30
- HT: 6-2
- YEAR: Senior
- POSITION: Guard



■ **STRENGTHS:** Versatility is what makes Starbird one of the top players in the nation. She can score from anywhere on the court and has a keen ability of finding her way to the basket. She is also one of the conference's top passers for her size.

■ **WEAKNESSES:** Hard to find one.

YEAR	G	AVG.	ASSISTS	REB.
93-94	31	9.9	2.9	2.9
94-95	32	16.0	4.0	4.2
95-96	32	20.1	2.9	4.7
96-97	14	17.6	3.2	4.1

Oregon's Renae Fegent and Arianne Boyer were selected to the Emerald's first-team all-Pac-10, while Stanford head coach Tara VanDerveer was picked as the Coach of the Year

JADE HYETT

WASH. STATE

- NUMBER: 4
- HT: 5-4
- YEAR: Sophomore
- POSITION: Point guard



■ **STRENGTHS:** On a team dominated by three strong centers, Hyett is the distributor. And so far she has not disappointed. She is averaging six assists per-game this season and was first in the Pac-10 last season with 2.9 steals per-game.

■ **WEAKNESSES:** Hyett is scoring only 5.5 points per-game and shooting only 43.2 percent from the field. But with the centers picking up the scoring, the Cougars may not need her to score.

YEAR	G	AVG.	ASSISTS	REB.
95-96	29	4.5	3.1	2.5
96-97	8	5.5	6.0	2.5

TINA THOMPSON

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- NUMBER: 14
- HT: 6-3
- YEAR: Senior
- POSITION: Forward



■ **STRENGTHS:** Almost as versatile as Starbird. At 6-3 can play down low (10.6 rebounds), yet can still score from the outside (31.6 percent from behind the arc last season).

■ **WEAKNESSES:** For a woman her size she doesn't block enough shots (75 in 82 career games). Will be forced to carry the load for USC in 1997.

YEAR	G	AVG.	ASSISTS	REB.
93-94	30	14.2	0.9	10.5
94-95	28	19.5	0.9	10.5
95-96	27	23.1	1.8	9.3
96-97	11	23.1	2.2	10.6

Stanford's versatile forward Kate Starbird was the Emerald's selection as the Pac-10 Player of the Year

ARIANNE BOYER

OREGON

- NUMBER: 42
- HT: 6-0
- YEAR: Senior
- POSITION: Forward



■ **STRENGTHS:** As a power forward, Boyer takes full advantage of her size. The senior is exceptional at drawing fouls around the basket and has a knack for getting to the basket on the drive.

■ **WEAKNESSES:** While she is strong inside, Boyer's outside game is nearly non-existent. She is a career 7-of-27 from beyond the arc.

YEAR	G	AVG.	ASSISTS	REB.
93-94	28	7.6	0.4	4.8
94-95	28	14.0	1.9	8.2
95-96	28	16.4	1.3	7.9
96-97	10	15.0	1.7	9.5

RENAE FEGENT

OREGON

- NUMBER: 43
- HT: 6-3
- YEAR: Senior
- POSITION: Center



■ **STRENGTHS:** Fegent is a tremendous shot blocker, 81 career blocks ranks her eight all-time at Oregon, and an above average passer for her size (16 assists in six games). She also has a soft touch around the basketball and a decent mid-range jumper. Very unselfish player.

■ **WEAKNESSES:** Having to play on such a well-balanced team.

YEAR	G	AVG.	ASSISTS	REB.
94-95	28	17.1	2.3	7.7
95-96	29	13.9	3.3	7.6
96-97	6	11.7	1.6	7.5

COACH TARA VANDERVEER

STANFORD

■ **YEAR:** 11th VanDerveer will be looking for her seventh straight Pacific-10 Conference championship this season, and by all accounts, she should get it. In her 10 years at Stanford, VanDerveer has amassed a 251-62 record overall for an .802 winning percentage and a 136-34 record in Pac-10 play for a .800 clip. VanDerveer's personal awards include three National Coach of the Year awards (1988, 1989 and 1990), three Pac-10 Coach of the Year awards (1989, 1990, and 1995).

YEAR	W	L	PCT.
92-93	26	6	.813
93-94	25	6	.806
94-95	30	3	.909
95-96	With 1996 U.S. Olympic team		

THE PAC-10 CONFERENCE

EMERALD PROJECTIONS FOR THE FINAL STANDINGS

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| 1. Stanford | 6. UCLA |
| 2. Oregon | 7. Washington State |
| 3. Arizona | 8. California |
| 4. Southern Cal | 9. Oregon State |
| 5. Washington | 10. Arizona State |

AVERAGE POINTS PER GAME AS OF JAN. 8, 1997

