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DAILY TRIVIA

What Green Bay Packers' receiver caught the Super Bowl's first TD pass?
See scoreboard for answer.

Oregon travels to ASU still looking to end slump

■ MEN'S BASKETBALL:

The Ducks need to improve their offense in order to end their four-game losing streak

By Andrea DeYoung
Assistant Sports Editor

In any other situation, the Oregon men's basketball team would be thinking of tonight's game as a should-win. But when the Ducks face Arizona State, the game may very well be a must-win.

Oregon (10-4 overall, 1-4 Pacific-10 Conference) travels to Arizona to take on the Sun Devils with the baggage of a four-game losing streak in tow. Although Arizona State also owns a 1-4 conference record, the team should present some problems for the Ducks.

"They've got a good-sized front line with Michael Batiste, who is probably their best player," Oregon head coach Jerry Green said. "Gee Gervin is also playing good out front."

Batiste, who averages 17.1 points per game, is not the Sun Devils' only scoring threat. Jeremy Veal is currently ranked fourth in the Pac-10, averaging 17.4 points per game. Veal scored a career-high of 30 points last season against Oregon.



A major concern for the Ducks may be the match-up inside. Kyle Milling and Rob Ramaker have only averaged 7.6 rebounds combined in the last four games for Oregon. The Sun Devils are being out-rebounded by 12.4 rebounds in conference games, but the Ducks are also at a disadvantage as they have been out-rebounded 8.6 boards per Pac-

10 game.

Another big problem for Oregon will be Rodger Farrington, who has 78 blocks this season alone. As a team, Oregon has only 41 on the year. Although the Ducks will have the height advantage with Milling and Ramaker standing at 6-foot-9 and 6-foot-10 respectively, Farrington (6-7) has two forwards, Batiste at 6-8 and Urit Kelly at 6-6, who may have the advantage over Oregon's Henry Madden (6-6) and Jamar Curry (6-3).

Green knows that Arizona State could use the inside to pick up an advantage.

"I think they will play us defensively zone and then try to pound it inside. That's what we are look-

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scoreboard

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

NBA

Boston	125	Denver	94
Philadelphia	127	Vancouver	84
Sacramento	97	Phoenix	99
Detroit	99	Utah	11
San Antonio	95	Seattle	98
New Jersey	103	Portland	97

NHL

Hartford	2	Washington	3
Florida	1	N.Y. Rangers	5
Buffalo	6	Detroit	2
Montreal	1	Philadelphia	2
Ottawa	1	Chicago	3
Boston	4	Vancouver	4
N.Y. Islanders	8	San Jose	7
Edmonton	1	Los Angeles	2
Toronto	5	Anaheim	3
Calgary	3	New Jersey	1

Raptors forward might donate kidney

TORONTO (AP) — Carlos Rogers of the Toronto Raptors is considering donating a kidney to his older sister, who is awaiting a transplant.

The 25-year-old forward would be risking his career, although it is not yet known if he would have to give up basketball.

Rogers says he is the only member of his family with a kidney compatible for transplant to his 29-year-old sister Rene.

"I can't have my sister die," Rogers said Tuesday. "This is something I'm going to have to discuss with Isiah (Thomas, the Raptors' general manager)."

Rogers said his sister is on dialysis at a Detroit hospital, and has already undergone one transplant that failed.

DAILY TRIVIA ANSWER

The Packers' Max McGee caught the first touchdown pass in Super Bowl history.

Ducks trying to find a leader



Although the Ducks hold an 11-3 overall record, head coach Jody Runge feels her team is in need of a leader. Runge tabbed senior Arianne Boyer as the player for that role.

■ **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:** Oregon is taking the game against the ninth-place Sun Devils seriously

By Mark McTyre
Sports Editor

Following a split of games last weekend in the Bay Area, the Oregon women's basketball team returns to action tonight at McArthur Court, looking for a someone to step up and take a leadership role.

In Oregon's 85-61 loss to No. 3 Stanford on Jan. 16, the Ducks' top scorer was reserve Jenny Mowe with 17 points. In the Ducks' 68-64 win over California two days later, starter Renae Fegent led the team with 12.

"Balance" has been the key word for this year's squad, but head coach Jody Runge would like to see someone take over on the court.

"I was not pleased with our leadership last weekend," Runge said. "I haven't seen one particular leader, who is 'as they go, we go.' But I think from our players that have experience in this game, that we're not getting the kind of leadership we need to [alleviate] the pressure off of our young players."

Runge is looking to senior Arianne Boyer to take on the leadership role.

"I think she is the heir apparent for leadership on this team," Runge said.

While Boyer may not have to be that

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■ **OPPONENT:** Arizona State
■ **WHERE:** McArthur Court
■ **WHEN:** Tonight
■ **TIP-OFF:** 7:05 p.m.



Ryan Barnes, a junior majoring in business, is the No. 1 male skier on the Oregon club sports ski team this year.

UO ski teams have rough opening meet

■ **CLUB SPORTS:** The women's and men's ski teams overcame several factors to place ninth and 12th in the weekend meet

By Brian Vanneman
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Minus 40-degree wind chill, icy slopes, minimal visibility, several swollen knees and even food poisoning.

These were the factors that produced a less-than-pleasant weekend for the Oregon men's and women's club ski teams for their first meet of the year.

The ski teams for their first meet of the year despite a knee injury to one skier. The men raced to a 12th place finish, even though their best skier was unable to compete, and Sunday's top finisher skied with a nasty case of food poisoning.

Despite the numerous setbacks the teams faced in its first competition, team coordinator Lolo Castaillac remains optimistic about the season. Castaillac places the team among the top eight in the 16-team league. Castaillac also hopes that the team will have a strong showing in the Northwest Regionals and possibly send a few skiers to the end-of-the-year competition.

Don Wallace, the team's head coach, agrees.

"The women's team has been good in the past, but the men have never been exceptional," Wallace said. "We've never had one skier on the men's team who can

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