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Softball team prepares for OSU

■ **SOFTBALL:** The Ducks are pursuing their first win this season against the Beavers after splitting a doubleheader with Washington

By Alex Pond
Sports Reporter

Coming off perhaps its most impressive victory of the season Tuesday over No. 6 Washington, the Oregon softball team heads to Corvallis today for a 3 p.m. doubleheader against Oregon State.

Head coach Rick Gamez ripped his team for a lack of effort following a pair of losses to the Beavers in Eugene last week, but since then, the Ducks (5-17 Pacific-10 Conference, 20-33-1 overall) have responded with strong efforts and two victories in their past six outings.

While that doesn't sound overly impressive, two of the losses were on the road against No. 1 Arizona last Friday. The Ducks then split with No. 14 Arizona State before coming home to face the Huskies.

In the first game of the doubleheader, pitcher Jennie Cook threw a two-hitter as the Ducks shut out the Huskies 4-0. Despite losing 9-7 in the second game, the Ducks rallied from a 7-0 deficit to tie the score in the fifth inning, and Gamez said he was pleased with the team's effort and overall play.

Today, the Ducks will be looking for their first win of the season against the Beavers.

The two teams have met five times, with two of the games going into extra innings and another ending in a 0-0 tie.

Yet the Ducks have come up on the short end each time and want to reverse that trend in Corvallis today.

"The kids were disappointed too," Gamez said of last week's losses. "They just need to come out and stay more focused all the way through the ball game and do the little things right."

"We've got to make sure that we make the routine play all the way through. We can't afford to have any mental lapses or any defensive lapses because it will cost you in the Pac-10."

The Beavers come into the games with a 28-27-1 overall record and are 5-14 in the Pac-10 (before a pair of games against Washington Wednesday). They went 2-2 in Arizona last weekend, sweeping Arizona State before being swept by Arizona.

Cook, who pitched both games Tuesday, is expected to be the starter for the Ducks at least in the first game, and Gamez said it was very possible she could pitch the second as well.



Knicks take series opener from Heat

The Associated Press

MIAMI — The New York Knicks kept Alonzo Mourning and Tim Hardaway on the bench long enough to beat the Miami Heat.

Taking advantage of Miami's foul trouble and Allan Houston's 27 points, the Knicks won 88-79 Wednesday night in the opening game of the Eastern Conference semifinals.

Game 2 in the best-of-seven series will be Friday in Miami.

Patrick Ewing had 24 points and 16 rebounds for the Knicks, who scored 16 consecutive points in the third period to take the lead

for good.

A bruising series had been anticipated between two of the NBA's most physical teams, and foul trouble plagued the Heat, with Mourning missing 19 minutes and Hardaway 12.

"Why won't you let us play, man?" Mourning shouted to the referees at one point.

Poor foul shooting also hurt Atlantic Division champion Miami. Mourning went 6-for-13, drawing boos when he missed two with 1:14 left, and the Heat made just 18 of 31.

The Knicks hit 30 of 32 free throws but shot just 36 percent

from the field and were held below 100 points for the first time in the playoffs. Ewing was 8-for-23 from the field.

Hardaway, who shot 30 percent in the first round, went 7-for-17 and scored 21 points. Mourning added 20 points.

The Knicks improved to 3-0 this season at Miami Arena, where transplanted New Yorkers cheering for the Knicks made up a fair portion of the sellout crowd of 14,870.

The Knicks, playing for the first time in nine days, shot just 29.5 percent in the first 2 1/2 periods and trailed 52-44 before warming up.

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