

## There will be a public forum on this issue on August 26, 1997, 7:00pm

It will be held at Harris Hall in the County Bldg. in Eugene at the corner of 8th & Oak. Time permitting, everyone who wishes may speak.

### Why should there be a recall election of the public office of Lane County District Attorney?

Without any opponents in the past elections to that office there has been no referendum on F. Douglass Harclerod's conduct or performance. As a public official, he is required to be held accountable to the community he serves. The people must be given an opportunity to vote on whether he should be in office.

### THE PEOPLE HAVE NOT HAD THAT OPPORTUNITY.

Whether you think Mr. Harclerod's actions and decisions have been stellar or abhorrent, sign the petition that asks for an election, and give yourself the chance to actually vote yea or nay on whether Mr. Harclerod should be allowed to continue representing our interests as District Attorney

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## Soccer: Six freshmen join 20 returners

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"What we want to do is we want the kids to be excited about every game," Steffen said at media day Tuesday. "And part of that comes from being on the road playing Texas A&M, and they're No. 4 in the country."

To go along with their challenging national schedule is a full slate Pacific-10 Conference games, the first of its kind in the Pac-10.

"The Pac-10 is very good," Steffen said. "You could make a case for it being the second strongest conference in the country [next to the Atlantic Coast Conference]."

The Ducks open their season at San Francisco State on Aug. 29 and play their first home game Sept. 4 against Portland State.

Steffen said the Ducks' lack of a home field led to the low number of home games, which he said will allow them to play more home games in 1998.

"I'm not going to schedule our home games if I'm not sure where we're going to be playing," Steffen said. "That will also enable us next year to try to get these teams in."

A soccer field is being constructed on the west side of the Casanova Center that is schedule to be ready for the 1998 season. For now, the Ducks will play on local public fields.

After 11 non-conference games

to open the 1997 season, the Ducks play their nine conference games over five weeks beginning Oct. 10 at Washington.

Oregon's only other home games will come in conference play against UCLA, USC, Cal and Stanford later in the season.

After going 5-11-2 in their first season, how does Steffen feel about 1997?

"I'd like to think that I'll go into every season with different expectations," Steffen said. "The things I like about this year is that I know the players a lot better and I don't have to spend time learning them. The players know me, they know the styles, they know the school, they know where the buildings are."

"And what's more important is the players know what's expected of them. They've done it before."

Midfielder Stacy Hebert said she can see the difference from a year ago.

"Just the fact that we played together, you can see the difference," she said. "We have a real focused team."

Fellow midfielder Melissa Sherman said the Ducks will be looking to play well on a more consistent basis this season.

"Last year we had spurts of good soccer," Sherman said. "This year we want to play like that the entire game."

Sherman and Hebert are

among the long list of returners that includes all but one of the Ducks who played a significant role on the field last season.

Offensively, forwards Erin Anderson, who was the team leader in shots, goals and points, and Sierra Marsh provided much of the Ducks' scoring a year ago and will try improve upon those numbers this season.

At the midfield position, Melissa Sherman and Pamela Gordon will return for their second season.

Defensively, goalkeeper Amanda Fox, who was in goal for 1694 of the 1700 minutes the Ducks played last season, and defenders Katie Odishoo, who suffered a knee injury and missed six games last season, and Stacy Hebert lead the list of returners.

"I'm very happy with what we've got," Steffen said. "It's competitive. For the players to have a starting position is not something that's a given. It's nice that the players themselves have to compete because that's going to develop them."

Steffen also added six freshmen to his list of 20 returning players and likes what he has seen.

"In a sport like soccer you need to recruit a lot on personality," Steffen said. "And I think we've got personalities in here that are very competitive and feisty, and I like that."

## Belle blames self for team's poor play

**WHITE SOX:** Since the All-Star break, Belle has hit only five home runs and driven in only 13 runs

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — The White Sox' best-paid player has ended a long silence to discuss the team's dismal play.

Albert Belle told reporters from the *Chicago Sun-Times* and the suburban *Daily Herald* in an interview Monday that he knows what the team's problem is.

It's him.

Speaking out about team chairman Jerry Reinsdorf's trading Wilson Alvarez, Danny Darwin and Harold Baines earlier this month, Belle told the *Sun-Times* that the team never would have been dismantled if he had been hitting better.

"I'm pretty sure those moves wouldn't have been made if I had been having the kind of season I should be having," Belle said. "I'll take the blame."

Belle, who signed a five-year, \$55 million contract with the White Sox in the off-season, hit .311 with 48

homers and a league-high 148 runs batted in in his last season with the Cleveland Indians. He has only hit .261 with 23 home runs and 83 RBIs for the 60-63 White Sox so far this year.

"I certainly could have been much more productive — not home runs so much as driving runners home," Belle said. "I haven't been doing it like I'm capable. It's what I'm supposed to do and I'm not."

"Physically and mentally, I'm exhausted by the end of every game," he said. "I go home and look in the mirror and say, 'What else could you have done today?'"

Belle's performance in the first half of the season earned him a spot on the American League All-Star team. He had 18 homers and 70 RBIs before the break.

But in the 37 games since, he has hit just five home runs and has only 13 RBIs.

"I've been looking at some films and I have an extra hitch in my swing," Belle said. "It seems to have thrown my timing off. I've been trying to do everything to get rid of it and I can see it's gradually getting smaller and smaller."

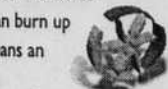
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