

Ducks earn eight medals in Lincoln

The team's first-place finish highlights its accomplishments this fall

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The Oregon wrestling team could not have given head coach Ron Finley a better start to the new year.

In its second nationally renown tournament in as many weeks, the No. 30 Ducks finished first overall at the Great Plains Tournament in Lincoln, Neb., on Sunday.

Powered by eight medal performances, the Ducks (4-0) finished 11.5 points ahead of second place West Virginia and 15.5 points ahead of host and No. 7 Nebraska.

Jeremy Ensrud, the nation's fourth-ranked wrestler at 134 pounds, was the only Oregon wrestler to win his respective weight class; however, Kevin

Keeney's second-place finish at 167 pounds, Chael Sonnen's second-place finish at 190 pounds and a pair of third-place performances — Daryl Christian at 150 pounds and Sean Morgan at 158 pounds — gave Oregon the title.

Redshirt freshman Doug Lee finished fourth at 177 pounds, Dusty Roberts finished fifth at 142 and Rich Polkinghorn came in sixth in the heavy weight division to round out Oregon's eight medal winners.

Oregon's first-place performance in Lincoln and its third-place finish a week ago at the Midlands Tournament in Evanston, Ill., came against tough nationally ranked competition, Finley said, and could prove to be a real learning experience for his team as it enters Pacific-10 Conference play on Jan. 16 against Oregon State.

"This is one of our best perfor-

mances since I've been coach," Finley said. "I was amazed at how we competed last week at the Midlands Tournament, and then to finish first here was amazing. I'm just so impressed with this team."

"Our level of wrestling has really jumped up in the past couple of weeks."

Ensrud's undefeated run to the 134-pound title earned him the tournament's most outstanding wrestler award.

"Jeremy did a fabulous job," Finley said. "He continues to improve as the season goes on and continues to excel. Everyone on this team has stepped up for us."

Oregon's winter break also included a convincing 38-6 victory over Portland State on Dec. 18 and a slim 19-18 win against Cal Poly SLO in the Ducks' first home match of the season on Dec. 14.

SPORTS BRIEFS

WSU star to play pro basketball in Spain

(AP) — Rodrigo de la Fuente, Washington State's leading scorer, will pass up the remainder of his senior season to return to his native Spain to play professional basketball.

Coach Kevin Eastman made the announcement on Sunday, a day before the Cougars open their Pac-10 season at Washington.

Eastman said the 6-foot-6 guard, a native of Madrid, accepted a guaranteed three-year contract to play for the FC Barcelona Club. The amount of the contract was not disclosed.

Under Spanish rules, Monday is the last day a club can sign a player whose rights it does not own.

de la Fuente left Spokane Sunday afternoon to return to

Spain with his mother and a brother.

He averaged 16.1 points and 34.7 minutes for the Cougars this season. Washington State was 7-4 in conference games.

Crisler recognized for academic success

Casey Crisler, a senior setter for the Oregon volleyball team, was recently named a third-team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-America Team selection by the College Sports Information Directors of America. Crisler is a three-time regional academic All-American.

Crisler, a native of Bend, owns a 4.01 grade-point average in Fine and Applied Arts, the highest mark among the 18 selections, which also include Stanford's Kristin Folkl and USC's Alaina Kippis.

Crisler averaged 10.09 assists

and 1.43 digs per match for the Ducks this season.

4 UO runners named Pac-10 All-Americans

Four Oregon cross country runners were named to their respective Pacific-10 Conference All-Academic First Teams in December, including three of the seven women so honored.

Seniors Milena Glusac and Kaarin Knudson, along with junior Liz Howell, were named to the women's team. Knudson has a 3.94 grade-point average in journalism and Howell a 3.80 average in environmental studies, while Glusac has a 3.45 average in psychology.

Daniel Das Neves was the sole Oregon honoree on the men's side. He has a 3.2 grade-point average in business administration.



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