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Oregon drops two over weekend

The men's lacrosse team
lost 7-5 to Western
Washington and 22-1
to Simon Fraser

By Tim Pyle and Ryan Suvoy
Freelance Sports Reporters

Two top-25 league opponents
defended their home fields suc-
cessfully by handing the Oregon
Club Sports men's lacrosse team
losses last weekend.

The Ducks (1-3) lost to No. 13
Western Washington in Seattle on
Saturday and No. 5 Simon Fraser
in Vancouver, British Columbia,
on Sunday. Coupled with its loss
to No. 25 Whitman in Eugene the
previous weekend, Oregon has
lost three consecutive matches to
top-25 opponents.

Head coach Peter Hoffman said
the Ducks were close to pulling
off an upset of Western Washing-
ton in their 7-5 loss.

"It was a close game the whole
way, and it could have gone either
way," Hoffman said. "In general,
the team played its strongest game
all year."

Attacker Jeff Erickson contin-
ued his high-scoring play by tally-
ing two goals to give him 14 goals
in the first three games of the sea-
son.

Simon Fraser did not give Ore-
gon any chance of an upset in its
22-1 demolishing of the Ducks the
next day.

"They were exceptional," Hoff-
man said. "They are by far the
best team in the league."

Hoffman said the Ducks were
tired, shorthanded and sore
against Simon Fraser, which did
not play the day before.

"It was a little unfortunate that
they hadn't played the day be-
fore," Hoffman said, "and we had
a tough game."

Oregon returns home to face
league opponents Pacific Luther-
an and Puget Sound at Southbank
Field this weekend.

"We've really started out with
the tough
part of our
schedule
early," Hoff-
man said.
"We should
be able to do
well the rest of the season."



Rugby beats Reed College

The Oregon Club Sports rugby
team's "A side" avenged an earlier
loss by its "B side" by pounding
Reed College, 21-3, Saturday in
Portland.

The Ducks' "B side," which is
composed of younger, second-
string players, lost to Reed at the
Oregon Rugby Sports Union Tour-
nament in Portland on Feb. 8.

Although Oregon (7-1) manhan-
dled Reed 28-7 last fall, co-captain
Cal Taylor said Reed, which is a
Division II team, got overly confi-
dent with its win against the
Ducks' "B side."

"They had beaten our B side
and had been pretty cocky about
that," Taylor said, "so it was good
to give them a whipping."

Jared Green led the Ducks by
scoring three tries on an "awful"
field, Taylor said.

Oregon battles Lewis & Clark in
Eugene on Saturday, but Taylor
said the Ducks will most likely
play their B side against the Pio-
neers.

Baseball sweeps doubleheader

The Oregon Club Sports base-
ball team kicked off their season
by sweeping the Southern Oregon
Raiders Saturday in Ashland.

"It was very important for us to
start our season on a positive note,
and we did just that," said fresh-
man third baseman Dave Morton.

The Ducks claimed game 1 6-5
due to a combination of good hit-
ting and strong pitching.

Gabe Hockema got things
rolling in the first inning with a
triple. Hockema ended the game
two for three with two runs
scored. Leadoff hitter Jason Sea-
man added to the damage offensi-
vely by going one for two with
two RBIs, two walks and two
stolen bases. Boone McGuckin
also added two RBIs.

Simon Graham and Eric
Greenawald handled the pitching
duties in game 1. Graham pitched
five innings, allowing four runs
and seven hits while striking out
two. Greenawald picked up the
save by holding the Raiders to one
run in the final two innings.

The Ducks won game 2 6-0 be-
hind the pitching performance of
Jarred Gainey. Gainey pitched a
complete-game shutout while
holding Southern Oregon to only
three hits.

Offensively, the Ducks pro-
duced six runs with only three
hits. Jeremy Catt went one for two
with a double and two runs
scored. Mike Jefferis also added a
double.

The Ducks next face George
Fox in Salem on Wednesday.

Simon Graham contributed to this
report.

Women: UCLA moves into AP top 25

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day, she said it was an unfortunate incident that has
been blown out of proportion and reported inaccur-
ately, according to the Daily Californian.

The "inaccurateness" apparently is over the num-
ber of times racial slurs were made by Stanley.

Stanley, 43, was also in the national spotlight
when she was ousted from her job as Southern Cali-
fornia head coach in 1993 after asking for a salary
equal to men's coach George Raveling, who made
\$54,000 more than she did.

Her lawsuit alleging gender discrimination
against USC was dismissed in 1995.

Finally, a little respect

Maybe voters just weren't convinced the first
time UCLA clobbered Washington and needed con-
firmation that the Bruins are a better team than the
Huskies.

After a long wait, UCLA finally broke into this
week's Associated Press top 25 after whipping
Washington 96-72 Sunday. It was the second time
this season that the Bruins beat the Huskies by more
than 20 points.

UCLA is No. 23 in this week's poll after winning
nine of its past 10 games.

The recognition is overdue for UCLA, which is in
second place in the Pacific-10 Conference and has
been one of the top teams in the conference.

Washington, meanwhile, finally dropped out of
the top 25 after being swept in Southern California
over the weekend. Prior to last week's games, the
Huskies managed to stay in the top
25 despite an 8-7 conference
record.

Strange, but true

Washington State isn't much at
home, but they can cause some
problems on the road. The Cougars
are 4-4 away during the conference
season and just 2-7 at home. Over-
all, they are a respectable 6-6 on the
road but a miserable 4-7 at home.

Maybe the Cougars just like to have some fans
watching their games. Washington State has the
lowest attendance figures in the conference, averag-
ing just 545 fans per game.



STANLEY

Alex Pond is a sports reporter for the Emerald. His Pac-
10 women's basketball notes appear every Tuesday. The
Associated Press contributed to this report.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Sonnen wild-card qualifier for NCAAs

Chael Sonnen, who leads the
Oregon wrestling team with 12
pins this season, was named an
NCAA wild-card qualifier by
Pacific-10 Conference coaches
late Sunday night and will
compete at the NCAA Champi-
onships in Cleveland, Ohio, on
March 19.

The 190-pound junior was
one of three wild cards that
were selected by Pac-10 coach-
es after failing to earn automatic
qualifying bids at the confer-
ence championships.

Sonnen was seeded No. 3 at
190 pounds, but lost back-to-
back matches against Oregon
State's Shane Zajac and Cal

State Bakersfield's Raphael
Davis to finish fifth overall.

UO second after first round of tournament

The Oregon women's golf
team finished the opening
round of the Bay Area Classic
in Vallejo, Calif., Monday with
a 306, one stroke behind leader
Pepperdine.

Oregon's Paula Patterson fin-
ished the day third with a 76,
while teammate Anika Heuser
is tied for sixth with 79. Angie
Rizzo and Kylie Wilson are tied
for 14th at 78 and Pam Sowden
is tied for 23rd with a 79 to
round out Duck scorers.

Northern Arizona finished
the day third, two strokes be-

hind Oregon. San Diego and
California round out the top
five.

The second and final round
will be held today at Blue Rock
Country Club Springs Country
Club.

Piotr Buciarski 13th at European meet

Oregon junior pole vaulter
Piotr Buciarski finished 13th at
the European Indoor Champi-
onships in Sicily over the
weekend.

Buciarski cleared a personal-
best 18 feet, 4 1/2 inches and
finished one spot away from
qualifying for the finals. He tied
the 12th and final competitor
but had more total misses.