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# UO two games away from playoffs

UO needs wins over Lewis and Clark and Linfield to secure the final playoff spot

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Two down, two to go. The Oregon Club Sports men's lacrosse team cut its total of must-win games in half by demolishing both Oregon State and Washington last weekend at Southbank Field.

The Ducks (6-3) need victories in their two remaining regular season games to qualify for the playoffs. Oregon plays Linfield in Autzen Stadium next Sunday and Lewis and Clark at Southbank Field on April 18.

Last weekend, the Ducks made mockeries of their Northwest rivals by outscoring the Huskies and Beavers by a combined total of 34-7.

Midfielder Schuyler Harrison led a balanced attack against Washington on Saturday by recording three goals and one assist in Oregon's 15-3 win. Four

other Ducks scored two goals apiece.

"Despite the score, [the Huskies] played a pretty tough game," Oregon head coach Peter Hoffman said. "We kept attacking and were able to come out with a pretty convincing win."

Oregon State could not present the high-scoring Ducks with any more of a challenge on Sunday.



Attackman Jeff Erickson led the way with six goals as Oregon routed the Beavers 19-4. Harrison completed his spectacular weekend with four more goals to give him seven in two games.

"[The Beavers] were a pretty weak team," Hoffman said. "They only had 13 guys and started off well, but couldn't keep it up."

Goalkeeper Nick Walls solidified the Ducks' defense by saving 16 Oregon State shots.

The playoff spot that Oregon is trying to secure in its final two

games is the fourth and final spot in its league.

### Women's Lacrosse

California was not kind to the Oregon Club Sports women's lacrosse team last weekend when the Ducks lost all four of their games at a tournament at Stanford.

Oregon started off play on Saturday with a 6-4 loss to California. Then the Ducks suffered a close 8-7 defeat to Loyola Marmount.

"That [game] was a real heart-breaker because we were tied going into the last two minutes of play," midfielder Katie Meehan said.

Linfield handed Oregon its third defeat of the day with a 10-6 win.

"That loss came at the end of a long day," Meehan said, "and we were tired from traveling."

The Ducks were unable to salvage a victory in the tournament on Sunday when they lost to the UC Davis "B" team.

Oregon will get a chance to redeem itself in a tournament at Southbank Field on Saturday.

The Environmental Issues Committee is seeking nominations for

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\*6 awards  
Nominations due Friday, April 10

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Thomas arrested for drunken driving

Kenny Thomas of New Mexico, MVP in the Western Athletic Conference tournament this year, has been arrested for drunken driving after leaving a party and crashing his car into a stopped automobile, police said. Thomas was arrested Saturday night after his vehicle rear-ended another at an Albuquerque intersection, said police spokesman Tony Herrera. A passenger in the other car complained of neck injuries. No one else was hurt. Police reports said tests showed Thomas' blood-alcohol content at 0.17 and 0.18, more than twice the legal limit. Thomas, a 6-foot-8-inch junior center who led the Lobos scoring and rebounding this season, was charged with driving while intoxicated, running a red light and careless driving, Herrera said. Thomas was jailed overnight and was released Sunday morning on his own recognizance. After police arrived, Thomas' passenger, who is not a UNM basketball player, initially said he was driving. But as police pressed the two, Thomas said he was behind the wheel. Thomas didn't return phone calls seeking comment.

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MEN'S GOLF/V U.S. INTERCOLLEGIATE STANFORD, CA, ALL DAY		WOMEN'S TENNIS/V AT UCLA, 10:00 AM		WON'T FIT ON 18TH... TRACK & FIELD/V PEPSI TEAM INVITATIONAL HAYWARD FIELD, ALL DAY		MEN'S GOLF/V ASU THUNDERBIRD TEMPE, AZ ALL DAY		SOFTBALL/V AT UCLA, 11 AM		MEN'S TENNIS/V VS. WASHINGTON EUGENE SWIM CLUB, 2:15 PM	
WOMEN'S TENNIS/V AT UCLA, 10:00 AM		WOMEN'S TENNIS/V VS. PORTLAND EUGENE SWIM CLUB, 10 AM									

Hi, I'm **Megan Thayer**, your NIKE student rep. Check out **Sports1/2Page** every two weeks for the latest scoop on sports and NIKE events at the **University of Oregon**. Are you or your team setting any records? Breaking any new ground? If so, I want to hear from you—especially if you're a Club or Intramural athlete. Email me at [megan.thayer@nike.com](mailto:megan.thayer@nike.com). You just might end up featured in the next issue. To reach NIKE HQ directly, try: [sports.halfpage@nike.com](mailto:sports.halfpage@nike.com). . . **Welcome Back!** I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable Break! . . . On April 18th, the **NIKE Swoosh Challenge** will be back in full swing and guess who will be hosting the Regional competition? You guessed it, U of O, baby. You can **sign up** to participate in this test of strength, endurance, speed, agility and quickness by heading over to 102 Esslinger. Each team must have 2 men and 2 women. Any college student is allowed to participate, and, best of all, the event is free of charge! The winners of Regionals will win a **free trip to compete in Nationals**. Sign up today! The deadline is April 16th at 5:00 PM . . . The beginning of a new term is upon us and now's the perfect time to start forming an intramural team. This spring, you can sign up to play in a **RIM league** for the following sports: Softball, Soccer, Ultimate Frisbee and 4-on-4 Grass Volleyball. So, what are you waiting for? Start your **spring term** off with a bang!

### DOING IT

The "**Green Nuggets**" Intramural Soccer team has earned its claim to fame after six years of competition. The 8-12 member team (the number of players varies depending on the season) grew out of a group of students living in the dorms and some soccer-loving RIM officials. The team first tasted victory in 1996 when it won the RIM Winter Indoor Tournament and went on to place second in the Spring Outdoor League. Now, they have not only won the Winter Indoor Tournament 3 times (1996, 1997 and in February 1998), but they took first place in the 1997 Spring Outdoor League and the 1997 Fall Indoor League. What's next? April 16th, when the 1998 Outdoor League begins, they will set out to defend their Spring title. To find out more about the Green Nuggets, sign up to play against them in 102 Esslinger, or watch them on the Southbank Field.

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