

OREGON (73)

	Min	FG	FT	R	A	P
O'Brien	20	4-5	3-4	3	1	11
Wolvert	25	3-8	2-4	10	0	8
Mowe	18	4-6	0-0	8	0	8
Williams	27	3-10	3-3	3	3	9
Strange	33	2-5	0-0	6	9	4
Piers	5	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Bowyer	25	1-3	5-6	1	1	7
Dion	11	0-0	1-2	4	1	1
Curtis	12	0-1	2-2	1	0	2
Meharry	24	9-12	5-6	6	1	23
Totals	200	26-50	21-27	44	17	73

Shooting: 52.0 3-point: 0-3 (Williams 0-2, Bowyer 0-1)

*includes two team rebounds

OREGON DUCKS VS. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TROJANS

Player of the Game

Forward Brianne Meharry scored 15 of her game-high 23 points in the second half and collected six rebounds to help seal the Ducks' win.



Quote of the Game

"It was hard to get up after beating the No. 7 team [UCLA] on Thursday. As much as you say you have to get up for it, it's hard."

— Shaquala Williams, UO point guard

Southern California (61)

	Min	FG	FT	R	A	P
Krause	24	0-2	1-2	1	1	1
Carter	33	7-11	2-4	6	1	17
Washing.	36	5-8	7-9	4	1	17
Elmore	36	3-20	6-8	7	1	13
Norwood	35	3-8	2-2	1	3	9
Coop	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Houser	16	1-3	0-0	1	0	2
Sneed	19	1-4	0-1	1	0	2
Totals	200	20-56	18-26	24	7	61

Shooting: 35.7 3-point: 3-10 (Elmore 1-5, Norwood 1-4, Carter 1-10)

*includes three team rebounds

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Ducks edge USC, complete sweep

With its sweep of the L.A. schools, Oregon has moved itself into position to make a Pac-10 conference title run

By Joel Hood

Oregon Daily Emerald

It was about as ugly as a 12-point home win could be.

Just two days removed from its 27-point blowout of No. 7 UCLA, the Oregon women's basketball team committed 27 turnovers and 20 personal fouls in a sloppy, 73-61 victory Saturday night over Southern California at McArthur Court.

Call it fatigue, call it uninspiring, call it whatever you want. Oregon head coach Jody Runge said after the game she was just relieved the Ducks could pull out the win and the coveted two-game sweep of the

Los Angeles schools at home.

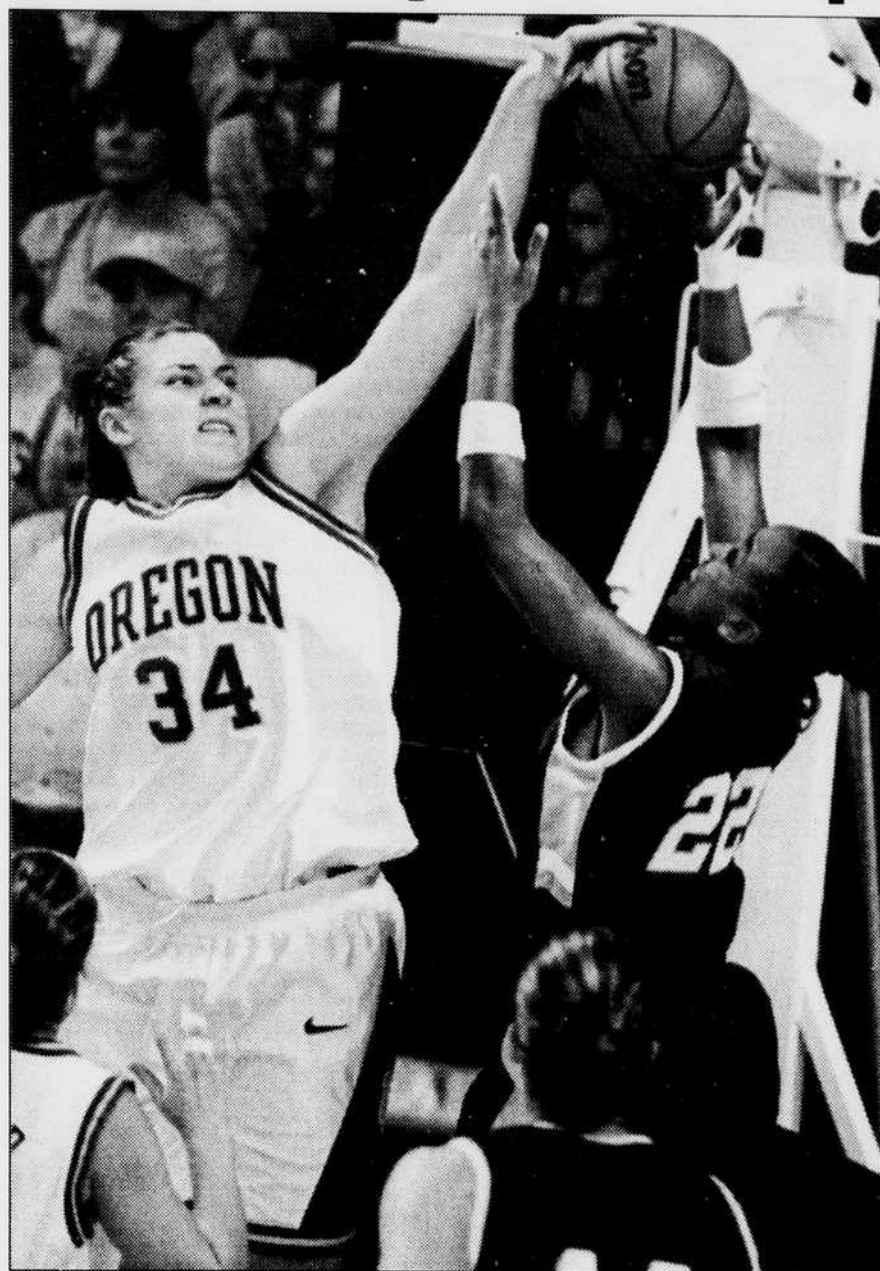
"It's very difficult to get up emotionally after a big game like we had the other night," Runge said. "We had trouble scoring on offense, and I felt like we put them at the [free-throw] line way too much."

"Trouble" might even be an understatement. After scoring a career-high 31 points against the Bruins on Thursday, freshman point guard Shaquala Williams hit just three-of-10 shots from the field Saturday and none from three-point range.

Oregon (18-4 overall, 9-2 in the Pacific-10 Conference) had just two players score in double digits, led by forward Brianne Meharry's 23 off the bench. Senior Natasha O'Brien, who finished with 11 points, hit four-of-five shots from the field, including three straight down the stretch in the second half to seal the win.

"I wasn't needed much in the UCLA game," Meharry said. "I felt like I owed it to them to step it up. I've been pretty frustrated with my game, but we have a lot of scorers on this team. [USC] is a

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Oregon center Jenny Mowe, who leads the Pac-10 in blocks, stuffs Trojan Tashara Carter Saturday night.

Matt Hankins/Emerald

Final seconds finally good to Oregon

Ending a streak of five straight losses by four points or less, the Ducks men won at USC

By Rob Moseley

Oregon Daily Emerald

The ghost of Adam Spanich has been officially exorcised.

Since the half-court three-pointer by Southern California's brazen bomber that beat the Ducks 85-84 on Jan. 7, Oregon had won just one of its last seven games.

That unceremonious streak came to an end Saturday night.

Mike Carson hit two free throws with a minute left and blocked a layin by USC's Brian Scalabrine on the Trojans' next possession as the Ducks won 60-55 in front of 3,173 fans at the Los Angeles Sports Arena.

Oregon (11-9 overall, 3-8 Pacific-10 Conference) hit five of its six free throws in the final minute to break a 55-55 tie.

"It's definitely a relief," Oregon head coach Ernie Kent said on KUGN after watching his team end a five-game losing streak, all by four points or less. "This is a special basketball team, to have been through so much."

USC (11-9, 3-8) made up a 55-48 deficit on a three-pointer and two free throws by Elias Ayuso. Sam Clancy hit two free throws a minute later, but the Trojans wouldn't score again.

After Carson's block from behind of Scalabrine's attempt, A.D. Smith recovered the ball and was fouled. Smith hit both free throws, and Carson rebounded the Trojans' miss on the other end.

The 7-foot senior had seven points on two-for-six shooting and hit three of his four free throws, including the game-winner.

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Two Oregon wrestlers suspended for NCAA violations

Sophomore Doug Lee and freshman Kenny Cox have admitted to using illegal weight-loss methods

By Joel Hood

Oregon Daily Emerald

Two Oregon wrestlers were suspended from competition Friday after admitting to Oregon associate athletic director Gary Gray they had used illegal weight-loss methods this season.

Sophomore Doug Lee and freshman Kenny Cox were suspended Friday for the Ducks' dual meet with No. 10 Arizona State in accordance with policies implemented by the NCAA Wrestling Committee last January.

First-time offenders are suspended for one match. A second violation could result in suspension for the remainder of the season.

The one-match suspension is a result of

the two wrestlers voluntarily admitting to violating the rules that outlaw the use of saunas, steam rooms, diuretics, rubberized sweat apparel or any other devices with the sole intent of dehydration, Gray said.

Lee, a native of Central Point, is tied for third on the team this season with a 14-6 record and ranked No. 13 in the nation at 184 pounds. Cox, who was scheduled to wrestle in the 125-pound weight class for the Ducks this season, has competed in just one dual meet since Jan. 16.

"Both the kids made mistakes, and they admitted it, and they paid their price," Oregon head coach Chuck Kearney said. "It's kind of what we want to be about as an athletic team, is that we learn from our mistakes and accept the consequences."

"We've taken a lot more of an aggressive

stance on all this stuff."

Oregon athletic director Bill Moos said that because the allegations of NCAA violations were brought forward in a Jan. 15 story in the Emerald, the Athletic Department has paid more attention to the wrestlers' weight-loss procedures. Gray placed locks on the sauna door inside the Casanova Center the day the Emerald reported the allegations.

"As a team, it's bugging us about the whole weight issue," senior Chael Sonnen said. "Cox told the coaches that he wants to go [133 pound weight class], and they told him 'then you're not wrestling this year,' and that's something that they have got to go through. I guess they are privileged enough to make that decision, but it's kind of cracking me a little bit."

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