

No. 18 UW serves UO a loss

Oregon stayed close to the Huskies individually, but still fell, 9-0

By Mirjam Swanson
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None of the Oregon men's tennis team's opponents are going to take the Ducks lightly this season, regardless of their 3-7 record.

No. 18 ranked Washington proved that Saturday at the Willow Creek Tennis Courts. The Huskies (5-3) fought off several early Oregon leads to earn a 9-0 sweep.

"Other teams are saying 'Hey, they played this team close, and they played that team close,' so they're prepared when they come in," head coach Chris Russell said.

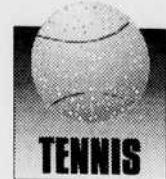
The match was closer than the score indicated, as the Ducks suffered their third close defeat of the season to a team ranked in the nation's top 30.

Playing without its No. 2 player, Guillermo Carter, who was ill, Oregon wasn't able to sustain its highest level of play through the entire match.

"It came down to details," ju-

nior Joaquin Hamdan said. "They're a mentally tough team; they worked harder for every point. But we fought hard."

Thomas Schneider's match with the Huskies' No. 1 player, Eric Drew, typified the day for the Ducks.



set, 6-4.

He was ahead 1-0 in the second set when Drew claimed four straight games, swinging the momentum in his favor. In the end, Drew survived Schneider's early run, winning the match in three sets.

"I wasn't aggressive enough," said Schneider, a freshman. "He really played good, and I didn't fight back. He was more constant, and I'm not used to playing at such a high level for two or three sets."

Because of Carter's absence, the rest of the Ducks moved up one space in the line-up, so freshman Bertrand Devillers played No. 2,

where he lost in two tight sets.

Senior team captain Carlos Navarro lost to Andy Posavac in straight sets. Joaquin Hamdan, a junior, played a close first set, but lost his match in straight sets.

For the first time this season, senior Miguel Arriaga played ahead of his regular No. 6 spot, where he lost just his second match.

Junior David Becker played his first singles match of the season, and lost in three sets.

The Ducks also narrowly lost the second of three doubles matches by a couple of points, so Washington claimed the doubles point to complete the sweep.

Arriaga and Hamdan recorded Oregon's only win of the day, when they teamed up in doubles and beat Christoph Kull and Mark Woolley, 8-5.

"Hopefully, we can use this as a stepping stone," Russell said. "Hopefully, this is one of those matches the guys use to say 'We can compete at this level.' We played some really good tennis, we competed all the way through. I'm proud of the guys because they played with more purpose than they have been."

Ducks cool off in sunny San Diego

San Diego State ended the women's tennis team's winning streak

By Mirjam Swanson
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After winning five-straight dual matches, the Oregon women's tennis team saw its streak broken Saturday at San Diego State.

Only two Ducks (5-3 overall) recorded victories against the Aztecs, and Oregon lost the match, 7-2.

Freshman Adeline Arnaud continued her impressive play with a three-set victory. She held

on to beat San Diego State's No. 2 player, Maggie Cole.

Also victorious was team captain Shanelle Kaneshiro. She defeated Lisa Papi in straight sets.

Junior Alina Wygonowska, the Ducks' No. 1 player, lost to Sarah Domovan in straight sets.

Redshirt freshman Sarah Colistro was defeated by Dorata Wovnika, 6-4, 6-1.

Another Duck freshman, Janice Nyland, won her first set, but she couldn't hang on. She lost in three sets to Whitney Wells.

Meanwhile, junior Andrea Petrovic was defeated in straight sets.

Oregon was then shut out in doubles play, an area of the Ducks' game that head coach Jack Griffin has been working to improve.

The tandem of Wygonowska and Nyland came up short against Domovan and Cole, 8-1.

Arnaud and Colistro fell, 8-3, while Kaneshiro and Petrovic lost, 8-2.

On Friday, the Ducks were more successful in their match with Loyola Marymount.

In its first outdoor match of the season, Oregon recorded a 6-0 sweep for its fifth win of the year.

Maggert pulls off dramatic victory

By Doug Ferguson
The Associated Press

CARLSBAD, Calif. — The chip-in for birdie was the kind of shot Jeff Maggert had been looking for all day.

The result was something he had been chasing for more than five years.

No longer the player who could never close the deal on Sunday, Maggert earned a new reputation Sunday that was worth far more to him than \$1 million.

With the grit of a proven winner and a chip-in that brought the Match Play Championship to a stunning conclusion, Maggert beat Andrew Magee on the 38th hole to win the richest prize in tour history against the toughest field ever assembled.

A hard-luck runner-up 13 times since 1993, Maggert is the comeback champion of match play.

"You don't have to ask me what it feels like to finish second this week," he said.

With such a dramatic finish, the absence of Tiger Woods, David Duval or any other of the big names in golf was soon forgotten.

From the first cut of rough behind the par-3 11th, Maggert left the pin out and sent the ball on its way. It rammed into the back of the cup and disappeared, and Maggert showed more emotion than he has all week, hopping across the green and thrusting his arms into the air.

"I've been around this game a long time, and I've seen a lot of

things good and bad happen," Maggert said. "I knew if I could hang in there long enough, something good could happen. And something did."

It was the first time Maggert had the lead since the fourth hole, a fitting tribute to a player who had to come from behind in five of his six matches this week at La Costa Resort.

Maggert is now 7-1 in match play as a professional, and the \$1 million is more than he has ever earned in any of his eight previous seasons on the PGA Tour.

Magee, a four-time winner but not since 1994, earned \$500,000 for the biggest check in his career. Still, it was a bitter ending for the 36-year-old full of quips. He took the lead on the fifth hole in the morning round of 18 and had three birdie chances to keep the match from going extra holes.

This meant more than money to Maggert, who was clearly frustrated by five years of coming in second. He was the runner-up in Houston last year when Duval shot a 64 on the last day to win, and he blew a chance to win the U.S. Open at Congressional in 1997 with a bogey and double bogey down the stretch.

He has either had the lead or been within five strokes of it 37 times in his career, but managed to squeeze out only one victory. And even that one — the Disney Classic in 1993 — carries a peculiar note. They had to set up floodlights to beat the darkness, making Maggert the only player to

win a tournament at night.

"I knew in my heart I would win another tournament," Maggert said. "Hopefully, I'll win a lot more."

The match looked like it might go on forever until Maggert's deft touch on the 20-foot chip.

"That chip at No. 11 was something I needed, the one shot I was looking for to get me going," he said. "Thank God it came on the last hole."

He had the pin removed to help him concentrate on the speed. Having struggled with 5-footers all day, the last thing he wanted was another one.

"Lo and behold, I hit it too hard," he said. "I figured if it hit the hole, it would slow it down enough to give me a short par putt. Even when it hit the hole, I didn't think it was going down. I've been waiting 5 1/2 years for something like that."

The victory moves Maggert past Duval atop the money list, earned him his first trip to the winners-only Mercedes Championship since 1994 and gives him a three-year exemption on the PGA Tour.

In the consolation match, John Huston was 6-under through 14 holes for a 5 and 4 victory over Steve Pate.

The \$400,000 for Huston is the largest paycheck in his career, surpassing the \$360,000 he earned from winning the Disney Classic in October. Ditto for Pate — he got \$300,000 topping the \$270,000 he got for winning the CVS Charity Classic last year.

Oregon golfers look for better results this week

By Scott Pesznecker
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In its first two meets of the season, the Oregon men's golf team has not played like the No. 13 Ducks of last fall.

Oregon hopes the third time will be the charm.

Oregon tees off today in round one of the Southwestern Intercollegiate Invitational in Los Angeles.

The invitational, hosted by Southern California, will play host to 13 teams, including six Pacific-10 Conference teams. Those teams include Arizona State, UCLA, Washington and Stanford.

Brandon Harnden will make his first appearance for Oregon this season. Also making the trip for the Ducks were Ben Crane, Andrew Tredway, Derek Croskrey and Ryan Lavoie.

Crane has led Oregon in its first two invitationals this season. At the Ping Arizona Intercollegiate Tournament, Crane

was tied for 35th with a score of 218, and he finished with a score of 230 two weeks later in Kona, Hawaii.

Lavoie has struggled in the early going of the season. In Arizona, Lavoie sank to a 92nd-place finish with a score of 229,

and he shot a 239 in Hawaii. Last fall, Lavoie held the Ducks' second-best stroke average at 72.3 per round.

Tredway and Croskrey have also played in Oregon's first two invitationals this season. Tredway has collected finishes of 220 and 239, while Croskrey has had scores of 226 and 242.

Oregon finished in 14th overall in its winter season debut against Arizona. The Ducks had been in 19th, but a strong second-round score of 286 assured Oregon of a better finish.



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