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Tredway foresees fun NCAA tourney

The confident junior leads Oregon into the NCAA West Regionals beginning Thursday in Tucson, Ariz.

By Brett Williams
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Andrew Tredway plays for the same reason golf was invented — for the enjoyment of the game.

"Golf's unique: you can have a good time playing by yourself and having fun," said Tredway, who leads No. 20 Oregon into the NCAA West Regionals on Thursday in Tucson, Ariz. "My dad always played golf for fun, and it helped me because he never put any pressure on me."

There are many reasons Tredway believes the Ducks can place well at regionals and advance to nationals for the second straight year, a team goal

that was set prior to the season. "If we get off to a good start and play solid in the first round, we won't have any problems," Tredway said. "If we play to our capabilities, we should get back to the national tournament."



Tredway helped Oregon receive a regionals bid by tying teammate Ryan Lavoie for a ninth-place finish at the Pacific-10 Conference Tournament on April 26-28. The Ducks finished third in the tournament in Seattle, but Tredway still feels Oregon

could have placed higher.

"Overall, we didn't play as well as we should have," Tredway said. "But it was still a great experience, and when we play in the next couple weeks, feeling the pressure we felt there will help us."

Regionals is an excellent opportunity for Oregon to showcase its talent, and Tredway believes the Ducks have as good a chance as anyone to place first.

"The six of us have had a goal of winning the national tournament, and I think we can do it," Tredway said. "We are just as good as any other team, and we're smarter than a lot of teams, too."

Tredway credits much of the development of his mental game, both on and off the course, to head coach Steve Nosler.

"He has really helped me mature, both as a golfer and a person," Tredway said. "We've both learned a lot about each other, and we read each other well, both when things are going well and when they aren't."

Nosler was a key factor in Tredway's decision to play golf at Oregon.

"I liked Coach Nosler a lot," said Tredway, who had scholarship offers from schools such as Florida State. "I also liked the

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Ducks aim to build on NCAA win in new building

After securing its first NCAA win, the Oregon women's tennis team wants more

By Mirjam Swanson
Oregon Daily Emerald

It was the best Oregon women's tennis team ever — until next season.

The 1998-1999 Ducks (12-12 overall, 0-8 Pacific-10 Conference) didn't win a conference match, but their up-and-down season ended on a high note as they reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament for the first time.

"This was the next step on the path of trying to be a perennial top-20 team," head coach Jack Griffin said. "We're starting to get the tools to do that."

All of No. 54 Oregon's losses came against teams ranked in the top 35. And two of its wins were against Pac-10 foes Washington and Washington State, but they came in nonconference play.

The win against the then-No. 42 Huskies gave Oregon its first victory in its 44-match history with Washington. It also played a major role in the Ducks' No. 31 ranking, their highest ever.

"The highlight was the win over Washington and the win at" the NAAs, team captain senior Shanelle Kaneshiro said. "It was a good season, and this team really came together."

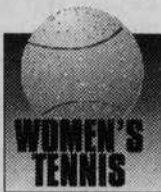
After starting quickly, the Ducks' camaraderie helped them retain their focus at the end of the season, when they lost eight of their last 10 matches, freshman Janice Nyland said.

Oregon is banking on its young talent to contribute to its future success.

"They've definitely come along," Kaneshiro said of the freshmen. "They've seen what kind of competition we have and that the Pac-10 is not easy, but no matter what, you have to put everything out there."

For much of the season, Nyland and her fellow freshman, Adeline Arnaud, played in the No. 2 and No. 3 spots of Oregon's lineup. Their experience against some of the nation's best players will help them, Griffin said.

"Adeline started out strong and then struggled at the latter part," Griffin said. "We know she's going to be a great player, it's just how soon she believes it herself."



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Janice Nyland was one of three freshmen to help the women's tennis team to its first NCAA Tournament win. Nyland and her fellow classmates will be instrumental in Oregon's success in the seasons to come.

Oregon tennis should have a new facility complete with six indoor courts by May 2000

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On cold, rainy winter days, the wind blows rain onto the covered courts where the Oregon men's and women's tennis teams practice, getting half of the courts so wet they are unplayable.

When that happens, the Ducks have no choice but to flock to the three remaining dry courts to work on their doubles games — even when they should be focusing on other things.

The weather has always dictated Oregon's practices, and that's made competing with the best teams in the nation — all of which practice in warmer, drier climates — more daunting, both on the court and in terms of recruiting.

But within a year that should all change, and Oregon should be on a level playing field with its Pacific-10 Conference rivals. The tennis team, and all University students, should have a new indoor tennis facility by May 2000.

The effort has been spearheaded by the efforts of Oregon's head coaches, Physical Activity and Recreation Services and the Athletic Department.

"Everyone is going to be happy with it," said Mark Zakrewski, a PARS faculty member who helped design the facility. "The demand for it is there because the tennis courts now are so heavily used. It will be neat. We'll have covered, outdoor and indoor courts. I don't know of a lot of campuses where students have access to so many courts."

The facility is part of the \$1.7 million student-funded renovation of the Esslinger recreation center, located at the corner of University Street and East 15th. The tennis portion of the new facility is to be built on the field behind McArthur Court.

According to schematics officially approved by the campus planning committee May 3, the facility will be accessible through Esslinger and by way of Mac Court.

The new facility will contain six concrete courts with net dividers between them and a 20-foot wide walkway through the center of the building.

Then, if the necessary funds are raised within the next few years, there are plans to add two courts and an elevated

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