

UO club ski teams breeze to encouraging starts

Both the club sports alpine ski teams turned in respectable performances

By Alissa Scott for the Emerald

This year the Oregon Club Sports Alpine ski team is better than ever and reaching for a spot at nationals.

After their first competition last weekend at Brundage Mountain in Idaho, the Ducks are right on track, according to ski student co-coordinator Mark Lorincz.

Fourteen students — seven male and seven female — made up the team for last weekend's competition in giant slalom.

In giant slalom races, skiers travel at speeds ranging from 30 to 50 miles per hour, and precision and tactics are crucial to compet-

ing well.

On Saturday, the weather conditions were extremely poor with constant snow and thick fog. The visibility was minimal, restricting sight to only 40 yards, which made each run more dangerous.

On Sunday, however, the weather was beautiful; it was a much clearer day and the conditions were perfect for racing.

The men's team placed fifth on both days among the 20 teams in the Pacific Northwest division, even though it had to deal with various obstacles.

Bad weather conditions canceled the men's second run, basing their placement on their first-run results. Also, third-seed skier Josh Hilgart fell and couldn't finish the race on Saturday.

Whitman College finished first, Albertson College of Idaho came in

second, Eastern Oregon ended up in third and Seattle took in fourth.

On Sunday, Whitman College held on to first, British Columbia came in second, Albertson College of Idaho dropped to third, and Seattle and Oregon remained fourth and fifth, respectively.

The women's team also did well at the competition, placing sixth. The ranking remained the same during both days of competition. Whitman College stayed in first, Albertson College of Idaho in second, Seattle in third, the Puget Sound in fourth and Pacific Lutheran in fifth.

The women's team is making improvements this year. Even though sophomore Alyson Herman is the only returning skier, this year there are enough women to make up a complete team — which didn't happen last year.

"Alyson is better than she was last year and is moving up," Lorincz said. "The Pacific Northwest has the best females, so with her

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18th-place finish [among 100 women] on Saturday, she is skiing really well."

The men's team also has the opportunity to do well this season, according to ski student co-coordinator Chuck Leavitt.

"We were top five last year, and this year we should be in the top three," Leavitt said. "This is odd because we are not a varsity team, but we are competing against teams with students who receive scholarships — and we are winning."

Colby Gail finished 13th and Lorincz finished 15th among 130 men, pushing the men's team closer to qualifying for regionals and nationals.

"If we finish another race in the top five we will be qualified for nationals, which we have never done before," Lorincz said.

For the next four weeks, the ski team will continue attending qualifiers for regional championships.

There are 20 teams in the Pacific Northwest division, and only seven go to regionals to compete for a spot in nationals.

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Horoscope by Linda C. Black

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 25). How long has it been since you've had a real vacation? Let your vision for the future guide your planning in February. Try not to buy on impulse in May. Luck and learning are linked in April. Home and family need structure in May. Opposites attract in August, and somebody similar is your best bet in October. That's your best month to travel. Too. Dump a bad habit in December and acquire a new love in January.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — What starts out as an argument could lead to an interesting conversation. You could realize you have things to offer each other. Instead of focusing on your differences, go ahead and become friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 6 — You could make a good deal today, but make sure you plan it carefully. Know what you're supposed to do and what you'll get in return. Get everything down in writing to avoid misunderstandings.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21) — Today is an 8 — You're mentally agile. You might suddenly see things in a different way, too. If you're working with a partner, ask for coaching. He or she can point out something that's hidden from your view.

CANCER (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 7 — You might want to hide out today. People are going to hassle each other, and a little of that goes a long way with you. Meanwhile, don't spend the money before the check clears the bank.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 6 — Are you trying to learn something that's not making sense? Well, maybe you're trying to lead when you should be following. You may think you're smarter than your teacher, but you could be

wrong about that.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 6 — A ton of work needs to be done, and there's a lot of money to be made, too. You might be so overwhelmed that you don't even care. To find the right helper, entertain a slightly different option.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Today is an 8 — Love looks good for you today. Your house is the best place to be to make that happen. Get the family involved with that, too, and it'll be fun.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) — Today is a 6 — You could learn something interesting. You almost had the mystery solved, but not quite. Well, new data could prove your premise beyond a reasonable doubt. Keep digging!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is an 8 — Watch out. A technical breakdown could cause a snag. Even that is for the better, amazingly enough. Your luck is good. You might even figure out what to fix before it breaks down. Now, that's lucky!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — You could get a bonus today. Usually you have to work hard for every cent. Consequently, you might not think you deserve this windfall profit. Don't argue. That would be ridiculous. Accept, graciously.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is an 8 — This looks like a good time to try something you've never done before. Travel looks like it'll work out better than romance, and teaching is the best way for you to learn.

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