

Emerald reporter Scott Pesznecker was one of about 300 runners to take part in the first-annual Foster Fun Run on April 22. **PAGE 12**

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Scoreboard

Five Ducks honored at banquet

A crowd of 500 was on hand Friday for the Oregon women's basketball team's award banquet at the Eugene Hilton.

What the Ducks' fans saw was sophomore point guard Shaquala Williams — already the Pac-10 Player of the Year — pick up the team MVP award. Oregon's only senior, guard Nicole Strange, received the Bev Smith Most Inspirational honor. The Pac-10 All-Academic selection also took home the Harry Ritchie Scholar-Athlete award. Lindsey Dion, a junior forward, was named the Ducks' (23-8, 14-4) best defensive player, while sophomore guard Jamie Craighead was Oregon's most improved player. Freshman point guard Courtney Shreve was named the team's top newcomer.

More signees for track and field

During the past week, the Oregon track and field programs have added several athletes of note to next season's rosters:

Women: Oregon signed Cameo Davis, a sophomore at Lane Community College, who was the 1999 NWACC runner-up in the 400 hurdles with a PR of 62.7 seconds.

Middle distance runner Annette Mosey, a senior at St. Mary's, also signed. She is the current state leader in the 800 meters (2:15.0) and 1,500 (4:40.5).

Sprinter Nikki Ferguson will be another addition. The senior at Lake Washington High School in Kirkland, Wash., owns PRs of 12 seconds in the 100 and 25.2 in the 200.

Rachel Kriz, a Toledo High School product, will stay in-state and add to Oregon's already strong field events crew. Her 5-foot-7 mark in the high jump currently leads the state in that event.

Men: Micah Harris will join the squad. The sophomore at Central Arizona community college brings his 14.02 time in the 110-meter hurdles to Oregon.



Best Bet

NBA Playoffs
San Antonio vs. Phoenix
7:30 p.m., TNT

After one round, UO still in hunt



Pam Sowden (hitting) sticks it next to the pin on the third hole at the Pac-10 Championships Monday. *Kevin Calame Emerald*

■ At the Pac-10 Championships in Eugene, the hosting Oregon women are sitting in sixth as the men birdie their way into second place in sunny Tempe

Pac-10 Championships

By Peter Hockaday
for the Emerald

On the chilly fairways of the Eugene Country Club, the Oregon women's golf team was at times very cold on Monday.

But there were enough warm spots to keep the Ducks in the hunt for a Pacific-10 Conference title.

Meanwhile in scorching-hot Tempe, Ariz., the men's golf team continued to improve against Pac-10 foes Monday, sitting in second place after 36 holes of play at the men's Pac-10s.

The three-day women's Pac-10 Championship started off with a bang, with everybody from basketball head coach Ernie Kent to the "Voice of the Ducks," Jerry Allen, in attendance.

But when senior Anika Heuser put her first drive into a fairway bunker, it looked like it could be a long day for Oregon. Four groups later, senior Jerilyn White shot an arrow down the middle of the fairway and the Ducks had their answer — it would be neither a bad day, nor a good day. Just a some-

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On tap

What: Women's golf Pac-10 Championships

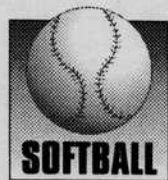
Who: Pac-10 golfers

When: 10:06 a.m. today through Wednesday

Where: Eugene Country Club

No. 18 Ducks want to repeat sweep

■ As they head into weekend action against two top-5 teams, the Ducks realize the weight of today's doubleheader with PSU



By Matt O'Neill
Oregon Daily Emerald

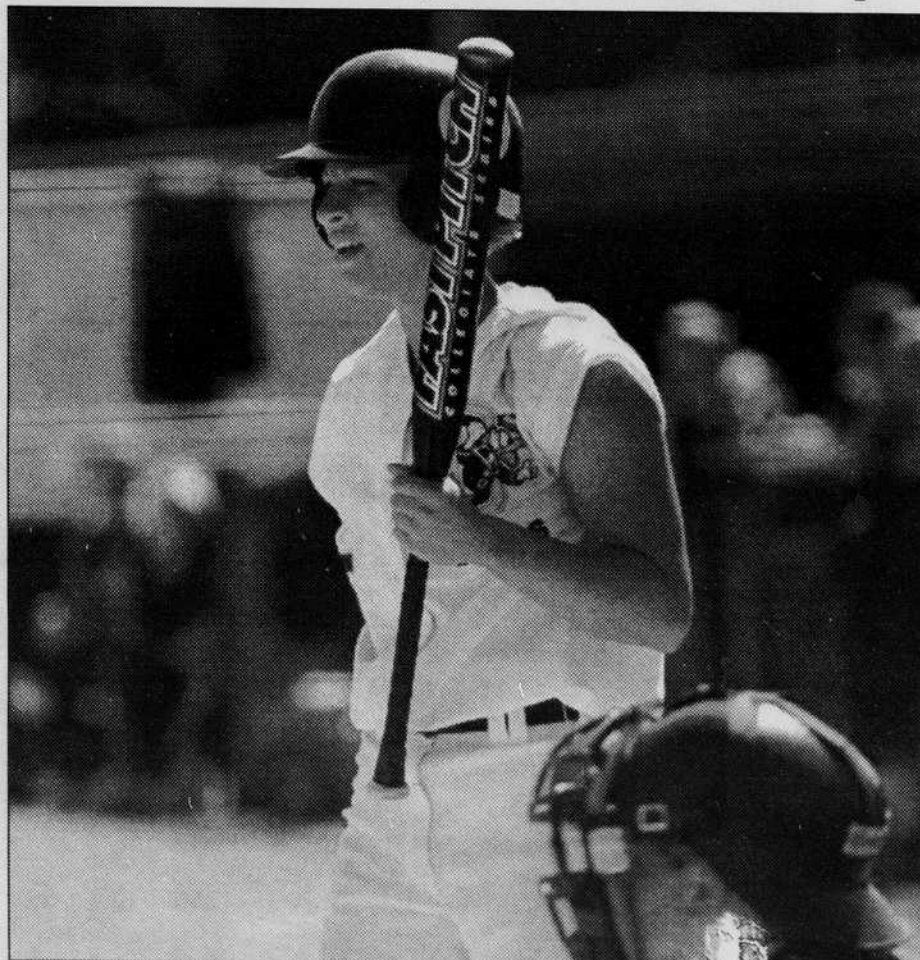
With two top-five conference teams looming on the horizon, the No. 18 Oregon softball team must first contend with Portland State today. The Ducks (30-18 overall, 4-6 Pacific-10 Conference) host the Vikings in a doubleheader at 2 p.m. at Howe Field.

Despite the fact that Portland State (20-28, 6-8 Western Athletic Conference) is unranked, sophomore catcher/designated player Missy Coe insists that the team is not looking past them.

"We need these wins to go into the weekend with some confidence," Coe said. "We can't look past them at all. We need the wins going into the weekend."

The Ducks saw themselves in a situation eerily similar to this one last week, as they hosted Hawaii in a double header before heading to Corvallis to face Oregon State. Whether Oregon was looking past Hawaii or not, the Ducks came away with a only a split.

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Missy Coe and the Ducks continue to flex their muscles at the plate heading into today's doubleheader. *Kendall Emerald*