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## Pac-10s marred by Southern Cal's foul play

■ Arizona takes the team title at the women's Pac-10 Golf Championships, but Candie Kung's individual title comes from a teammate's mistake

by Peter Hockaday  
for the Emerald

The women's Pacific-10 Conference Golf Championships turned sour long after the teams had accepted their trophies at the Eugene Country Club Wednesday night.

After all the scorecards had been turned in, it was discovered that Southern California freshman Mikaela Parmlid — who won the tournament on a one-hole playoff over USC teammate Candie Kung — had signed a scorecard with a score that read 73 instead of 74. Parmlid's final round score was dis-

qualified, causing USC to drop from second to sixth place in the final standings. Kung was crowned the champion of the tournament.

"This is supposed to be hers," Kung said of the individual title.

No. 1-ranked Arizona won its third Pac-10 team title in four years, beating out No. 7 Stanford by 18 strokes. No. 26 Oregon finished a disappointing seventh, with only junior Jerilyn White (223, ninth overall) finishing in the top 10. However, head coach Renee Baumgartner is confident that her team can perform well in the upcoming west regionals.

"We're a very experienced team," Baumgartner said. "Regionals are going to be a different story; there's a lot of teams that have never been there before."

But Baumgartner and the Pac-10 officials who made the tournament run smoothly until the final day are still wondering what happened to USC's Parmlid.

In Pac-10 golf, there are no official scorers, so each member of Parmlid's three-person playing group was keeping score for another member. Allegedly, UCLA's Amanda

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Oregon's Anika Heuser lines up a putt at the 10th hole.

### Pac-10 Championships results

1. Arizona (883)
2. Stanford (901)
3. UCLA (903)
7. Oregon (912)

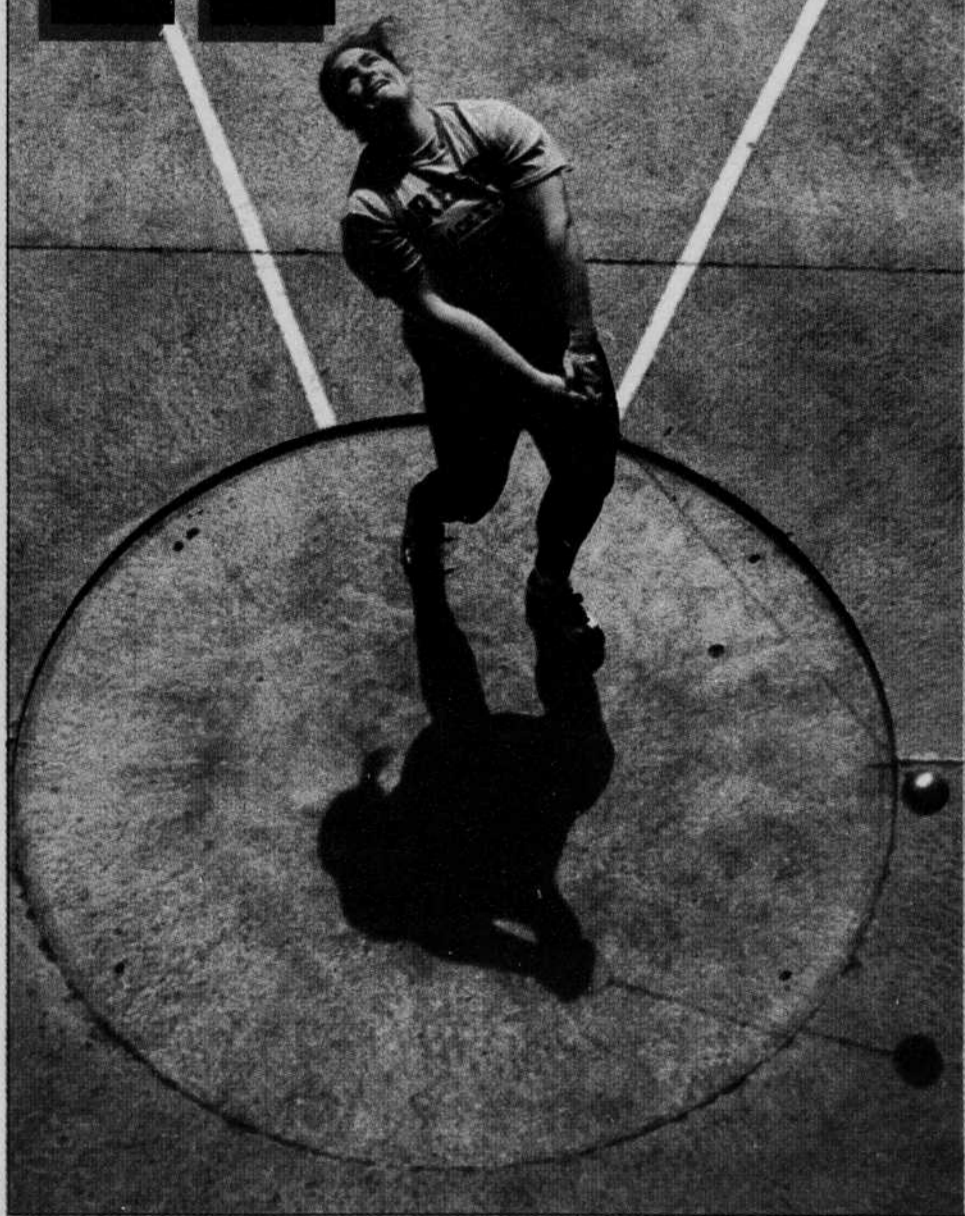
### Individual results

1. Candie Kung, USC (218)
2. Jenna Daniels, Arizona (219)
3. Cristina Baena, Arizona (220)
4. Amanda Moltke-Leth, UCLA (221)
- Jill Gomric, Arizona (221)
9. Jerilyn White (223)
11. Anika Heuser (225)



# HAMMER TIME

Oregon record-holder Maureen Morrison came in as a discus specialist but seems to have found her calling in the hammer instead



Catharine Kendall Emerald

Maureen Morrison is Oregon's all-time leading hammer thrower, but she said she knows she can improve.

By Mirjam Swanson  
Oregon Daily Emerald

Maureen Morrison pauses mid-thought, temporarily halting the interview in reaction to what her coach just mouthed as she walked past.

"Oh yeah?" Mo says. "Yeeeeeaaahhh!"

And then, in explanation: "The hammer time on Saturday changed."

Indeed, the women's hammer throw, originally slated to start at 10:30 a.m. at Saturday's Oregon Invitational, was rescheduled to begin instead at 3:30 p.m. in an effort to encourage more people to watch. Because this event is going to be an event.

Mo is ranked fifth in Saturday's field behind Canada's Caroline Wittrin and Utah State's Gloria Butler, who are ranked first and second, respectively.

Naturally, the best female hammer thrower in Oregon history is excited. She'll be up against good competition. She won't have to get out of bed so early. And she'll be able to do her thing in front of a crowd, taking advantage of the energy that it provides.

Mo's ready to kick ass. It's an ideal opportunity for Mo to continue to close on a slot at the NCAA Championships, and on that vaunted All-American status. And, yes, in the process, on yet another personal and program record too.

Twice this season Mo has reset the school hammer throw record. Heidi Fisk, a recent graduate, held the old record of 183-feet, 6-inches. But Mo undid her friend's mark for the first time at the Hayward Relays on April 8 with a mighty fling of 185-9.

Then the 21-year-old red-shirt junior did it again last weekend, this time throwing

186-06 and helping the Ducks win their dual against Washington.

"I don't really think about, 'If I throw this, I'm going to shatter the record,'" Mo said. "It's more personal goals: becoming an All-American, working hard, being disciplined, and if I shatter records in the process ... then hey."

Hey, why not? Because until her sophomore year at Oregon, Maureen Morrison didn't even consciously intend to throw the hammer.

Though that doesn't mean it wasn't meant to happen.

After all, Mo began throwing — discus and shot put, anyway — early.

"In high school my sister threw," Mo says. "One day I wanted to go home, but she had the car. So I was stuck. She said we could leave if I could throw farther than she did. So I picked it up and threw it farther."

"I was like, 'We gotta go now.'"

When high school began in Manhattan Beach, Calif., Mo's sports were soccer first, then basketball and volleyball. The nation's current No. 24 hammer thrower didn't even like track.

But eventually it caught on. And Mo, then a resident of Seattle, gained a reputation for her prowess with the discus, finishing second in the state of Washington her senior season.

"Discus is what allured [throws coach] Sally [Harmon] to start recruiting me," Mo says. "Discus carried me here."

She arrived in 1996 a talented, young discus thrower hindered by ankle injuries. Pains that didn't and wouldn't go away, keeping her from fulfilling her full potential in the dis-

“The whole principle is to get this little mass to rotate faster and faster around you. ... It's a constant dance, like a polka...”

Sally Harmon  
assistant coach



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