

Scoreboard

Niki Reed Pac-10 field athlete of the week

For eclipsing an outdoor school record with a jump of 13-5 1/4, sophomore pole vaulter Niki Reed was named the Pacific-10 Conference's women's field athlete of the week. The mark tied her personal best from the NCAA Championships in March, where the Newport product came in fourth. Reed owns the second-best mark in the Pac-10 this season and is currently ranked sixth in the nation on the NCAA automatic qualifiers list.

USA Today NCAA softball rankings

School	Record
1. Washington (27)	47-5
2. Arizona	45-7
3. UCLA	33-7-1
4. Arizona State	38-11
5. Oklahoma	53-6
6. Fresno State	44-11
7. LSU	47-8
8. S. Mississippi	48-10
9. California	41-15
10. Alabama	53-8
11. Stanford	36-12
12. Oregon State	33-13-1
13. Michigan	34-11-1
14. Cal State Fullerton	37-11
15. Iowa	34-10
16. Louisiana-Lafayette	39-13
17. Oregon	30-18
18. Long Beach State	34-17
19. Notre Dame	37-12
20. Nebraska	37-18
21. Mississippi State	37-20
22. Illinois-Chicago	42-21
23. Oklahoma State	32-21
24. (tie) Florida Atlantic	51-15
(tie) South Carolina	31-25

Prior charges won't affect Lewis

ATLANTA (AP) — Three previous assault charges against NFL star Ray Lewis cannot be used against him in his murder trial but evidence taken from his home can, a judge ruled Monday.

The assault charges against the Baltimore Ravens' linebacker, all of which were dropped, stem from cases in 1994 and 1995 in Miami, and in December 1999 in Baltimore. In all three, Lewis was accused of hitting a woman.

Prosecutors argued the cases should be admitted because they demonstrate Lewis' "intent, bent of mind and course of behavior" when faced with a dispute.

Now UO ready to spring into fall

Head coach Mike Bellotti and the Ducks are pleased with their spring season but know there's still more work to do

By Jeff Smith

Oregon Daily Emerald

Immediately after the completion of the spring football game on Saturday, the two respective Oregon teams huddled together around the Duck emblem on the 50-yard line.

As they gathered, one could sense that this was not a team celebrating its completed spring, but rather a team focusing on their impending fall.

It is expected to be a fall with high expectations, and following the game, head coach Mike Bellotti said that it will be then that the true test comes.

"The most important thing I just told my kids is not [to think about] what happened on that field today, but what starts tomorrow," Bellotti said. "Tomorrow starts each of them working on any deficiencies that they may have. Whether that be athletic or academic, and all of us pulling together and helping."

Bellotti was asked whether anybody won any spots with their performances.

"No, there's not a single decision I made watching it," Bellotti said. "I will tell you that it certainly impacts where we are right now and the depth chart for the fall."

The most-talked-about depth chart is that of the quarterback position, in which Joey Harrington maintained his starting status with a very strong spring. A.J. Feeley was never quite able to show what he could do as the nerve damage in his throwing elbow still lingers.

The third-string quarterback battle



Kevin Calame Emerald

Freshman tailback Joe Broder (37) lunges for an extra yard en route to a game-high 43 yards.

seems to have been won by Jason Fife, who stole the show in the Spring Game with his combined 14 of 17 passes for 186 yards — the highest among the four quarterbacks.

"Overall, I do feel that our quarterback position is one of strength and depth," Bellotti said. "I don't think A.J. is where he wants to be yet, but he will benefit a great deal from these next few months. But Joey has been sort of taking the ball and running with it."

In Saturday's game, Harrington picked up right where he left off last season, leading his team to two touchdowns in the first half. His most impressive drive came

near the end of first half. Harrington took over at the 29-yard line with 1:01 remaining. He was sacked on the first two plays for a total loss of 14 yards, leaving a daunting third and 24.

Then instead of taking a knee, Harrington blazed a pass to wide receiver Keenan Howry for a 46-yard gain. And on the very next play, Harrington connected with tight end Justin Peelle for a 39-yard touchdown pass.

It was a series that answered a lot of questions for the offense.

In a spring where young receivers like Cy Aleman and Samie Parker shone, it was a statement by Howry (8

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Ducks are craving for hits in Corvallis



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Holly Ray and teammates say they are as motivated as ever for today's Civil War, which was delayed.

■ No. 17 Oregon looks to rebound from its current two-game losing streak today against Oregon State

By Matt O'Neill
Oregon Daily Emerald

It's time for the No. 17 Oregon softball team to continue some unfinished business.

The Ducks (33-20 overall, 5-8 Pacific-10 Conference) travel to No. 12 Oregon State to make up a previously rained-out double header originally scheduled for April 22.

"It's Civil War time," head coach Rick Gamez said. "I don't think much needs to be said about this. The kids always get up for these games."

Oregon is looking to rebound from its current two-game losing streak and to exact revenge for a previous 2-0 loss to the Beavers (34-14, 4-8). And while both of those factors will add to the fire of the Civil War, it isn't as if anything was needed to spice up the rivalry.

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