



Lee's return leads to Oregon wrestling rout, 40-3

The Oregon wrestling team improves to 2-0 on the season with a 40-3 win over Stanford

By Robbie McCallum
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A 16-point lead is good enough for most sports, but not in the sport of wrestling. The Oregon wrestling team held a large but not insurmountable lead over Stanford with four matches remaining. That's when the Ducks delivered their knockout punch.

Consecutive pins by Doug Lee, Chael Sonnen and Eric Webb not only clinched the match for Oregon, but turned it into a rout in front of 418 at McArthur Court Sunday.

Lee, who wrestled for the first time this season, tangled with Stanford's Harold Penson for 5 minutes, 48 seconds before earning the match-clinching pin. The senior All-American had to sit out Oregon's first two competitions with a sprained ankle and began practicing only four days ago.

"I was more concerned with my shape than my injury," Lee said. "The ankle feels great. But I haven't been able to practice much."

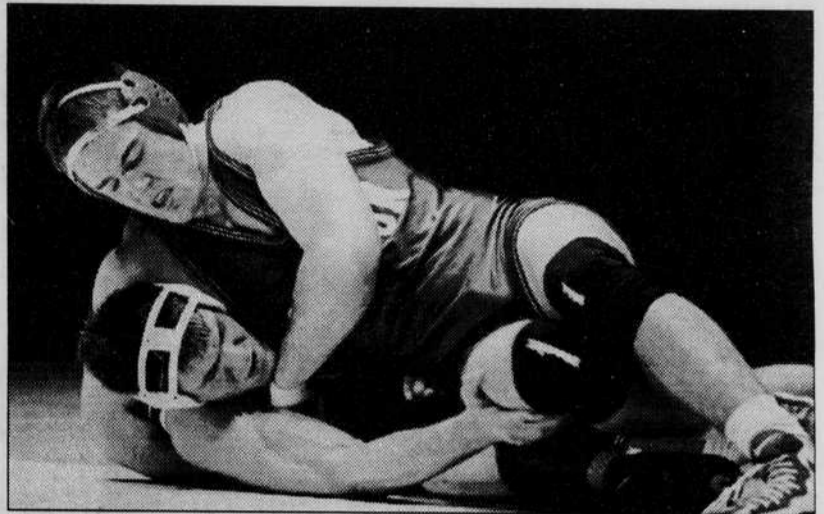
Sonnen responded with a pin in 5:53 over the Cardinal's Fred Luminoso to bring the team score to 31-3. The win pushes Sonnen's season record to 6-0, 2-0 in the Pacific-10 conference.

Webb recorded the third straight pin in 3:14 at the heavyweight position over Brad Selby.

"Everything clicked today," Webb said. "Following two guys like Doug [Lee] and Chael [Sonnen] in a lineup makes my job easier."

With the 184, 197 and heavyweight positions filled with three of Oregon's top wrestlers, the Ducks now have a formidable 1-2-3 punch at the top of their lineup.

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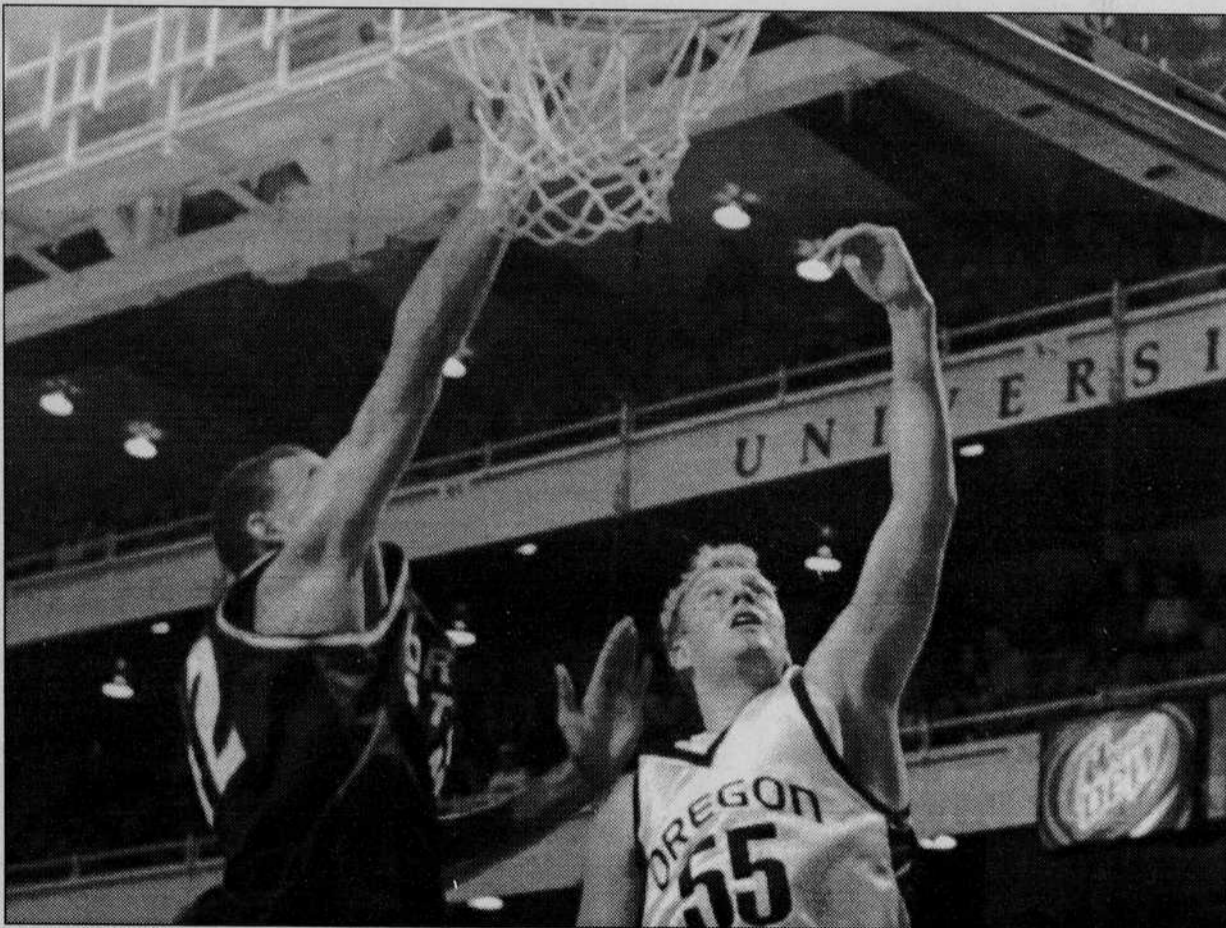


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Senior Chael Sonnen pins his Stanford opponent in helping his Ducks cruise to the 37-point win.



Freshmen quartet lead UO to victory against PSU



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Freshman center Jay Anderson (55) played his best game as a Duck Saturday, while recording four points and three rebounds in 16 minutes of play.

The four freshmen score a combined 39 points in the Oregon men's basketball team's 18 point win

By Jeff Smith
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Portland State was in the zone Saturday night — on defense.

Oregon's newcomers were also in the zone — on offense.

The Ducks battled through a stingy Vikings zone defense in the first half, and then rode the coattails of their four freshman in the second half en route to a 84-66 victory in front of 7,471 fans at McArthur Court.

The win pushed Oregon's early season record to 3-0, and provided head coach Ernie Kent with another game to evaluate in his building project of the 2000-01 Ducks.

"I was very pleased and impressed with the effort that was put forth on that floor tonight," Kent said. "This was a good game for us because as a team we got better."

Oregon's four freshmen all recorded career highs in points with forward Luke Jackson leading the way with a team-high 13 points.

"We're still gelling as a team," said Jackson, who is a Creswell native. "Everyone is going to come in and have a good night, and whoever does it, everyone on the team is happy for them. We just want to get the win."

The Ducks stressed defense in their



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Women don't need recount in big win against Portland

Senior Camber Ellingson makes her scoring debut in Oregon's Friday night win

By Scott Pesznecker
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It took more than three seasons to happen, but senior guard Camber Ellingson finally moved from the bench to the scoreboard.

The Baker City-native played a career-high nine minutes, beating her four minutes against Wyoming on Nov. 28, 1998.

She scored a career-high five points on 2-for-3 shooting, grabbed one rebound and also dished an assist.



This could only mean one thing Friday night at McArthur Court: It was not a good day to be a Portland Pilot.

The No. 14 Oregon women's basketball team used its depth to beat Portland convincingly, 80-56, in front of 5,002 at The Pit. The Ducks (3-0) built a 39-18

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Notre Dame beats USC, UO football still in limbo

USC's loss to Notre Dame does nothing to help clarify Oregon's postseason fate

By Scott Pesznecker
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Southern California finished last in the Pacific-10 Conference, but regardless, its final game of the season still had bowl game implications.

Unfortunately, the Trojans' loss to No. 10 Notre Dame had a negative impact on the Pac-10 postseason.

When the Irish smashed USC's defense and won 38-21, they secured a likely Fiesta Bowl matchup that potentially pits them against No. 6 Virginia Tech. Oregon State, ranked No. 5, most likely would have been paired with the Hokies had Southern California won the game. That would have led No. 9 Oregon to the Holiday Bowl in San Diego.

The Beavers are ranked higher than Virginia Tech. However, the presence of Hokies' quarterback Michael Vick at the Fiesta Bowl

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