



Arizona State's Eddie House, getting chased by Oregon's Freddie Jones, is a noticeable absence in the Sun Devil lineup this season. Emerald

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matter who they are."

When relayed Woods' words, Arizona State head coach Rob Evans blew off the notion that his team played dirty.

"I will not even honor that kind of statement," Evans said. "It's ridiculous. We're the skinniest team in the country."

The Sun Devils also happen to be one of the thinnest teams in the league in terms of their lineup. They are without the services of sophomores Tanner Shell and Justin Allen for the remainder of the season. Arizona State was also minus Prewitt for four games in January with a sprained ankle.

Shell is out with a broken left hand, while Allen is redshirting

this season after being diagnosed with Hodgkin's Disease.

Both are expected to return to action next season.

"We don't have much margin for error with those guys being out," Evans said. "It's been tough, but that's life. We have to continue to battle and we'll be better for it."

Pac-10 in the polls

Stanford remained in the No. 1 spot in both the Associated Press and USA Today/ESPN Coaches poll for the fourth straight week.

Arizona climbed to No. 7 in the AP and No. 9 in the coaches poll. The only other team in the top-25 is Southern California, which is No. 21 in the AP and No. 19 in the coaches poll after disposing of both Oregon schools last weekend.

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Devils overcome Oregon State Thursday, then Saturday's Ducks-Devils matchup will be even sweeter.

Because the winner would sit alone as first in the Pac-10.

Hoffman keeps rollin'

Trojan forward Ebony Hoffman, a freshman, was named Pacific-10 Conference Player of the Week on Monday, and rightfully so.

Hoffman terrorized the Ducks last Thursday by scoring 19 points and grabbing 17 rebounds in her first career double-double.

But it wasn't her last.

Against Oregon State last Saturday, Hoffman scored on a layup with 26 seconds left in overtime as USC went on to win in dramatic fashion, 69-67. The freshman phenom recorded her second straight double-double with 12 points and 14 rebounds.

Note: Hoffman also scored the layup and free throw to beat Oregon.

Can you say, "red hot?"

Ducks afloat in the rankings

Oregon remained in the ESPN/USA Today coaches poll at No. 21, dropping just one spot despite losing to Southern California at McArthur Court last Thursday.

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conduct.

Senior All-American's Doug Lee, Chael Sonnen and freshman Luke Larwin all earned victories to take the lead at 14-9.

Fresno State responded by winning the final three matches, beginning with the forfeit at 125 pounds, to win 21-14.

On Sunday, Oregon traveled to nearby San Luis Obispo for a match with Pacific-10 Conference foe Cal Poly. With a 2-6 record, the Mustangs didn't seem to be much of a threat.

In the opening match, Sonnen

led Cal Poly's David Schenk 11-0 and was only four points away from a technical fall. Schenk then scored a reversal and earned a fluke pin with 2 minutes, 31 seconds remaining to win.

Oregon never regained the lead. After the forfeit at 125 pounds, the Ducks and Mustangs exchanged wins until the 174 pound match, where No. 17 Steve Strange scored an 11-2 major decision over Oregon's Leif Williams to clinch the match for Cal Poly.

Lee earned a six-point win by disqualification in the final match, but it was too little, too late. Final score: Cal Poly 23, Oregon 20.

Sophomore Casey Hunt earned

a 5-3 decision over Aaron Gharst at 141 pounds while Harris earned a 16-7 major decision over Josh Blagg.

Cal Poly won its first conference match and its first over a ranked opponent.

"We've got to keep our eye on the prize," Kearney said. "We've got to have short memories and keep preparing for the Pac-10 Championships and the NCAA tournament."

Oregon fell to 7-6 overall, 4-2 in the Pac-10. It was the Ducks' third straight loss and second in the conference. The Ducks host Pac-10 leader Arizona State this Friday.



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