

# Bruins beat Arizona in OT

LOS ANGELES — Hurting with a sprained ankle, yet fresh from not practicing all week, Dan Gadzuric surprised his own UCLA teammates with the game of his career.

Gadzuric scored 22 points and grabbed 17 rebounds as UCLA (No. 24 AP) upset No. 8 Arizona 79-77 in overtime Thursday night.

Gadzuric tied his career highs after missing practice and spending most of the week on crutches because of the left ankle he sprained in a victory at DePaul on Saturday.

Doctors cleared him to play in the afternoon, so he chucked the walking boot he'd been using for a day.

"I just totally forgot about my ankle," said Gadzuric, who had tape running from his ankle to his knee to secure the injury. "I concentrated on good position and not fouling."

All week, UCLA said Gadzuric was doubtful to play, let alone start, but he endured 41 of the 45 minutes as the Bruins won their fifth straight.

"I'm speechless, really," teammate Matt Barnes said of Gadzuric's play. Arizona coach Lute Olson had plenty to say.

"I thought Gadzuric played better than any player we've played against all year long," he said. "I saw him in prep school and thought he might be ready for the NBA."

After Richard Jefferson missed for Arizona at the buzzer, students poured out of the bleachers and mobbed the players at center court to celebrate UCLA's third consecutive victory over a ranked Pac-10 team.

"We're a scary team," said Jason Kapono, who was held to a career-low four points in last month's loss at Arizona. "When we have all five guys clicking, we're pretty good."

UCLA appeared to have the game in hand with a 13-point lead midway through the second half against a team that owned four straight wins over the Bruins. But the Wildcats clawed back, thanks to the

sharpshooting of Gilbert Arenas. He had 13 points in a 24-8 run that put Arizona back in front 59-56 with 4:20 remaining. The game was tied four times in the final 3:52.

With the game tied at 66, Barnes stole the ball, but had his shot blocked. Jefferson dunked on the fast break to put the Wildcats ahead by two with 44 seconds remaining.

Gadzuric scored on a short jumper and drew Loren Woods into his fifth foul for a tie at 68. Gadzuric missed the free throw and the Wildcats grabbed the rebound.

After a timeout, the Wildcats fought through UCLA's press, but Arenas' final shot sailed over the top of the basket to force overtime.

The Bruins went into the five-minute overtime with four fouls each on Kapono, Earl Watson and Barnes, but they outscored Arizona 11-9.

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# Blazers crush Kings as Webber watches

By Landon Hall  
The Associated Press

PORTLAND — The Sacramento Kings were helpless without their All-Star power forward. The Portland Trail Blazers had such a big lead, they didn't need theirs.

Damon Stoudamire scored 20 points and Steve Smith had 17 as the Trail Blazers took Rasheed Wallace's latest ejection in stride and dominated Sacramento 105-81 Thursday night.

Without Chris Webber, out at least four games with a sprained left ankle, the Kings were ill-equipped for the tussle between the top teams in the Western Conference.

The Kings didn't have a chance from the start, missing 14 of their first 19 shots and falling behind by 18 points in the first quarter. Coach Rick Adelman tried to motivate his starters by benching all of them 6 1/2 minutes in, but nothing worked.

The lead reached 28 late in the third quarter as Stoudamire, who scored 11 in the period, had a jumper, a steal and a three-pointer to make it 81-53.

Vlade Divac scored 19 to lead the Kings, who fell three games behind the Blazers in the Pacific Division. Utah and San Antonio are 2 1/2 back in the race for homecourt advantage throughout the Western Conference playoffs.

Wallace was ejected by referee Ron Garretson for arguing an offensive foul call with 8:02 left in the third. Wallace has a league-high 29 technical fouls and appears on his way toward breaking his record of 38, set last

season.

It was Wallace's second early exit in his last three games. He served a two-game suspension for throwing a towel at a referee against Phoenix on Feb. 1.

Webber is back in Sacramento, recovering from the injury he suffered in the final second of regulation in Tuesday night's overtime win at Utah.

Bonzi Wells added 13 points for Portland. Dale Davis, who missed a game after pulling a back muscle getting out of bed, had nine rebounds. Wallace had 10 points and eight boards.

The Blazers, who made nine of their first 12 shots and jumped to an 18-4 lead in Tuesday night's 109-88 win over Minnesota, got off to a fast start again.

Stoudamire made a three-pointer, then intercepted Jason Williams' pass and turned it into a layup for a 16-4 lead. A put-back by Wells made it 22-6 just 6:23 into the game. The Blazers had made 10 of their first 13 attempts, including all six jumpers from at least 14 feet.

Adelman then inserted a lineup that included seldom-seen Nick Anderson and almost never-seen rookie Jabari Smith.

The group stumbled, but eventually held its own, making four of its last six shots to end the period. When the starters returned, Sacramento showed some brief life as Peja Stojakovic drove the baseline for a layup to cut a 19-point lead down to 42-29.

Portland recovered quickly, thanks to Greg Anthony's second and third three-pointers of the quarter.

# UO soccer nets recruiting class

■ The women's soccer team lands five blue-chip recruits for 2001-2002 season

By Robbie McCallum  
Oregon Daily Emerald

As the Oregon women's soccer team enters its fifth year of existence, it must say good-bye to its pioneer seniors, the players who were freshmen when the program began in 1997, and beckon a new class of freshmen.

Fifth-year head coach Bill Steffen welcomes five new faces to the program in one of the most successful recruiting classes in Oregon history.

"We expect all of these kids to challenge immediately," Steffen

said. "They all come from competitive club situations. We expect them to step in and compete for starting spots right away."

Central midfielder Kelly Baird leads the list. The San Pedro, Calif., native played for Fram, one of the premier soccer clubs in Northern California.

"Kelly is very busy and very active player," Steffen said. "She's excellent at creating attacks."

Sophomore transfer Sarah Denner brings in collegiate experience from Boston University, where she

started at midfield for the Terriers. Denner hails from Eugene's Churchill High School, where she was an All-State selection.

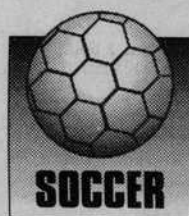
Another local recruit, Michelle Jensen, joins the team as a goalkeeper. The Junction City High School graduate and Lake Oswego Soccer Club player is considered the top goalkeeper in Oregon.

Elise Minvielle of San Francisco joins the backfield as a defender.

"Elise will bring a great physical presence to our backs," Steffen said. "She's a very strong, physical and determined player."

Nicole Renna of Austin, Texas, rounds out the list at midfield.

The recruits will help ease the loss of four seniors.



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## Horoscope by Linda C. Black

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Feb. 16). Explore new territory and start where others have given up. You and your friends are fearless, so nothing can stop you. You're in charge of preparing the agenda in February and reminding others of their commitments. Your charm attracts the best in April and gets you what you want. If you can't overcome a barrier in May, use it as a building block. Talk about a problem with your loved ones in June, and the love becomes much stronger. Your struggle in July is worth the effort, provided you're helping others. Commit to a partnership around August, and invest in your own future in September. Receive accolades from far away in October. You and your team push over the top in December.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 9 — If you leave today, you'll beat the traffic. Well, some of it, anyway. Others have the same idea, and some of them are going with you. So you'll be in a crowd, but you'll be the life of the party. Enjoy!

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 5 — You're not much of a gambler, but today you could get lucky on a get-rich-slow scheme. If you can make do with less now, you could benefit from a deal that promises more later.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21) — Today is an 8 — Let somebody else take control of the situation and treat you like royalty. Let them wait on you hand and foot. Somebody else wants to give orders, so let them have the responsibility. Relax and enjoy it.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 6 — It's time to save your pennies for an outing this weekend. If you don't already have one planned, schedule something for Sunday. You'll have something to celebrate, you know. And if you can't think of anything now, don't worry; you will have by then.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 10 — Your sweetheart may surprise you with a bold suggestion. You're up for just about anything. But a lifetime commitment? More kids? This is

a great weekend to talk it over. The outcome looks great.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 5 — Your place looks as if it's been hit by a cyclone. Are you doing any spring cleaning? Looks like you're throwing out a bunch of stuff. Anything in there you could sell or trade? At least donate it to a worthy cause and get the tax write-off.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 10 — Every so often you get in the mood to snuggle in bed all day with a really good friend, a really good book, or both. And that's all the suggestion you need. You take care of the rest.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 5 — If you're not already a fine craftsman, you can be by the time this project is over. Go find the perfect thing for your home — a treasure that just needs a little work. You can get a lot for it once it's done, although you may not want to part with it.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 9 — Your own curiosity is the spark, as you keep putting clues together. You can solve this puzzle, too, even if it takes all day and nearly all night. Better pack a lunch.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 5 — You keep taking on more jobs, but, are you doing them efficiently? Look for ways to cut the waste: wasted effort, wasted material, wasted time. That's money down the drain. Plug the leaks and save a fortune.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 9 — You and your friends ought to have a big party tonight. The project you've been involved with is almost finished. Sometimes you lose and sometimes you win, but you always had a great time. Celebrate!

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 6 — You may be undergoing a rigorous test, possibly self-imposed. You're thinking about everything you've done, and how well you've done it. Just remember that you're your own worst critic. Give yourself the benefit of the doubt.

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