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Days of Performance Only

## Oregon kicks off conference meet

■ Ducks travel down to Berkeley for the Pac-10 Championships a week before the expanded meet

By Robbie McCallum and Peter Hockaday Oregon Daily Emerald

A shot put, a discus, a javelin, a pole vault pole, athletic tape for



marking starting points, throwing flats, sprinting spikes and a emerald green and lemon yellow singlet. Five Oregon

After months

of training, the

Ducks will be

put to the test

decathlete/heptathletes gathered this list of implements Wednesday for this weekend's trip to the Pacific-10 Conference Multi-events Championships in Berkeley, Calif.



against the conference's eight other schools and their multi-event crew.

Junior Santia-Lorenzo leads the decathletes into

action. The all-American and twotime Pac-10 runner-up has already



NCAA Championships and will look for his first conference crown Saturday and Sunday. "It's been a good season so

Lorenzo said. main goal is to win and score

points for the team. Other than that I'd like to PR but the main goal is to win."

SULLIVAN

tive has the best mark in the Pac-10 and the fourth best nationally with 7,726 points.

"This is a quiz for the big exam which is the NCAAs," he said. "Eventually I'd like to break 8,000 points."

Junior Billy Pappas and sopho-more Jason Slye will also compete and are expected to score major points for the Ducks.

Slye won the Baldy Castillo Decathlon in Tempe, Ariz. on March 23 with 6,677 points. Pappas was a NCAA provisional qualifier last season and placed fourth overall.

## Kenyon, Sullivan compete on women's side

Junior Jenny Kenyon and freshman Ann Sullivan will represent the Oregon women's track and field team at the Pac-10 heptathlon this weekend.

"This is the biggest meet of the year for them," Oregon head coach Tom Heinonen said.

The two athletes will try to "set the tone" for the expanded Pac-10 meet next weekend, according to Kenvon.

"It's sort of like dominoes," Sullivan said. "If we do well, that gives the rest of the team a boost for next weekend."

Sullivan and Kenyon will compete in the 100 hurdles, shot put and high jump Saturday, and the 200, javelin, long jump and 800 Sunday. The 800 will be the last event of the meet, and Kenyon is apprehensive enough about the 800 to call the event "scary."

Both Kenyon and Sullivan expect top-notch competition at the meet. The heptathletes will compete with some of the best in the country, including UCLA's Michelle Perry, the top-ranked heptathlete in the country.

"I don't really pay attention to the competition," Sullivan said. "I concentrate on the times.'

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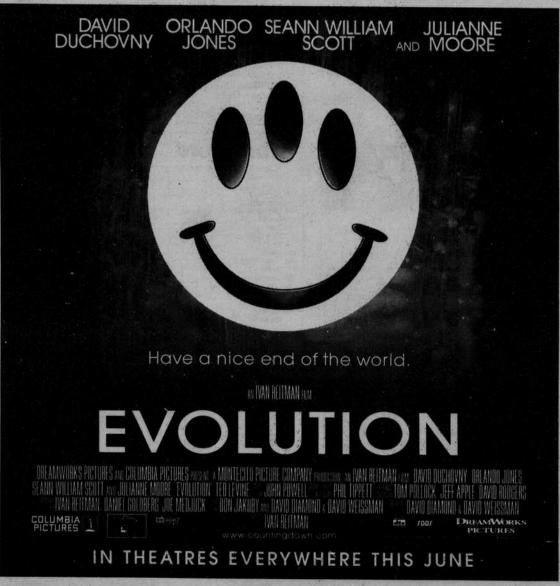
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