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chants of "Freddie" from the Pit Crew. With just under three minutes to play in the first half, Mark Michaelis grabbed a rebound and chucked it about six feet in front of the nearest player.

Jones caught up with the pass, leapt off his left foot and then slammed it home with his right hand to give Oregon a 21-point lead and put Jones in an elite class of Oregon basketball players.

"I just think it's a great tribute to one of the better players that's ever played here at the University of Oregon," Kent said. "If it's going to

happen then it needs to happen on a dunk, because he's put on some spectacular shows here."

Ridnour and Jones finished off the first half with one last toss-it-up-and-throw-it-down that could foreshadow what some people expect from the two as the season wears on.

"We played a lot together this summer and just have a feel for each other," Ridnour said. "When I see Freddie running on the right side, it's easy to throw it up because the guy can just jump over everyone. It makes it more fun to play with someone like that."

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Bowles. An 18-9 run from that point on allowed UCLA to roll to a 12-point win in game two.

Down two games, the Ducks could not get off to a good start in game three against the powerful Bruins, and lost that one as well by a large margin, 30-22.

Senior Monique Tobbagi paced Oregon with eight kills and six digs. Redshirt freshman Alisa Nelson, in her first start of the Pac-10 season, pitched in with two kills and one block. Junior Stephanie Martin, who moved to outside hitter to accommodate Nelson's start, had one of her

worst statistical outputs of the season, recording three kills and four blocks.

"We tried something different to increase our chance to score points," head coach Carl Ferreira said. "That change got us out of sync and we struggled to score points."

Oregon travels to USC tonight and takes on the Trojans at 7 p.m. at Lyon Center.

Ducks sign two

The Ducks announced their first signings of the recruitment period Tuesday, and two players will wear the Oregon green and gold for the first time next season.


Jodi Bell, a 5-foot-9 setter from Barlow High School in Portland will become only the second player

from Oregon to put on a Duck jersey next season. The state 4A Player of the Year, Bell helped her squad finish as the state runner-up in the 2000 and '01 playoffs.

"Jodi is the best setter in the state and I think the best setter signing in the Pac-10," Ferreira said.

Bell will be joined by a 6-foot outside hitter from Vancouver, Wash., in Kelly Russell.

"Kelly is an explosive player with great speed and she just understands the game of volleyball," Ferreira said about one of the team's newest signings. "She has a high ceiling of potential and even though she's mainly a middle blocker, I think she can develop into a first team all-Pac-10 outside hitter."



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