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Against Arizona, USC was without its top-two scorers, Ebony Hoffman (who was suspended for fighting) and Aisha Hollans (suspended for breaking team rules), and their inability to step on the court hurt the Trojans (9-9, 5-4).

Against Arizona State, Hoffman had 13 points and 12 rebounds, while Hollans posted 16 points.

Arizona State saw its four-game winning streak come to an end against USC.

Golden Bears break out of the cellar

Apathy comes to mind when thinking of a game between two of the conference's worst. Just that happened Saturday in Pullman, Wash. And when both squads have been shut out in conference play, someone had to come out on top.

California (6-11, 1-7) was the lucky team, and earned its first Pac-10 win with a 62-50 win over Washington State (2-17, 0-9). The Cougars finished the first half of conference play without a win.

"We were all fired up about the last two games and how (poor) we were playing," California freshman Kristin Iwanaga said. "We came out

Pac-10 Women's Basketball Standings

	Conference	Overall
1. Stanford	8-0	18-1
2. Arizona State	6-3	15-5
USC	6-3	10-8
Oregon State	6-3	10-9
5. Oregon	5-4	10-8
Washington	5-4	10-8
Arizona	5-4	9-9
8. UCLA	2-7	5-12
9. California	1-7	6-11
10. Washington St.	0-9	2-17

mad and came out ready to play in the second half. Our defense really picked it up. We started to get stops and rebounds, and our transition scoring was good."

California's Ami Forney, the team leader with 13.5 points per game, scored only three against the Cougars, but saw the Golden Bear offense pick up its play.

California has won just two games in the last two months, having lost 11 of 13 games. Washington State has lost a school-record 14 straight.

"So where do they go now? Cal stays at home against Arizona and Arizona State, two teams with a combined record of 11-7 in conference play. Ouch.

Ragland earns honors

Ragland earned the second Pac-10 Player of the Week nod of her career after she led the Beavers to their first win in Eugene since 1993.

The Tulare, Calif., native averaged 26 points in two games last week, including Oregon State's 79-73 loss to UC-Santa Barbara. She also had 8.5 rebounds per game and made eight three-pointers for the week, and is now tied for ninth in the conference with a shooting percentage of .377 from beyond the three-point arc.

Ragland is the only Oregon State player to earn the honor this season.

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for first, and into a possible berth in the NCAA Tournament.

"He's our leader," forward Robert Johnson said. "We follow him."

In the past, Jones has been criticized for inconsistent play. For example, there was the weekend in the desert last March where he

scored a career-high 36 points against Arizona State, but then followed that performance with just four points in a loss at Arizona.

Oregon has always needed Jones's consistency, and this season he has shown just that. Jones has scored in double figures in 12 straight games, including reaching 15 or more nine times in that span.

"He doesn't have to put up 30 a night for us to win," Ridnour said. "We can have everyone score 10 and still win. It takes a lot of pressure off everyone."

The point production from the post has also helped balance out

Pac-10 Men's Basketball Standings

	Conference	Overall
1. USC	6-1	14-3
Oregon	6-1	14-4
3. Arizona	6-2	13-4
4. UCLA	5-2	13-4
5. California	4-2	13-3
Stanford	4-2	11-4
Arizona State	3-5	10-7
8. Oregon State	1-6	8-9
9. Washington	1-7	7-11
10. Washington St.	0-8	4-12

"I'm not going to give away all of his moves," Jones said. "But y'all will see something, I just know, later on in the year."

So-Cal vs. Nor-Cal

The key Pac-10 games for the Ducks to keep track of this weekend involve the Bay Area teams visiting the Los Angeles schools. All four teams are among the top six spots in the conference standings, which makes the results of these games that much more important.

UCLA will be trying to bounce back from blowing a 20-point lead in a loss at Arizona when it faces Stanford at 7:30 p.m. Thursday on Fox Sports Net. The Cardinal is coming off an easy weekend sweep in Washington and Casey Jacobsen believes the experience of enduring the road atmosphere of McArthur Court has toughened up his team.

"We are learning to play in hostile environments after playing at Mac Court," Jacobsen told ESPN.com. "I don't know what it is about that place, because the Oregon students hate me. It's just as bad at Cal."

Bracketology

In this week's "Bracketology" on ESPN.com, where Joe Lunardi projects the field of the NCAA Tournament, the Ducks remain a fifth-seed. But they've moved from Chicago to Albuquerque, N.M., to face 12th-seed Southern Illinois on March 14.

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"I knew I didn't have to carry this team. I mean, I got great players—not just good players—all around me."

Freddie Jones
senior
Oregon guard

the Ducks' scoring. Senior Chris Christoffersen has blossomed this season, averaging 9.1 points, and Johnson is beginning to show off the versatility in his game.

In Oregon's 63-51 victory against Oregon State on Saturday, Johnson recorded his third double-double of the year with 12 points, 11 rebounds and a career-high three blocks. Johnson helped set the tone for the Ducks, scoring six of Oregon's first 10 points, including two long jumpers.

"I was being told to score more and be more aggressive on offense," Johnson said.

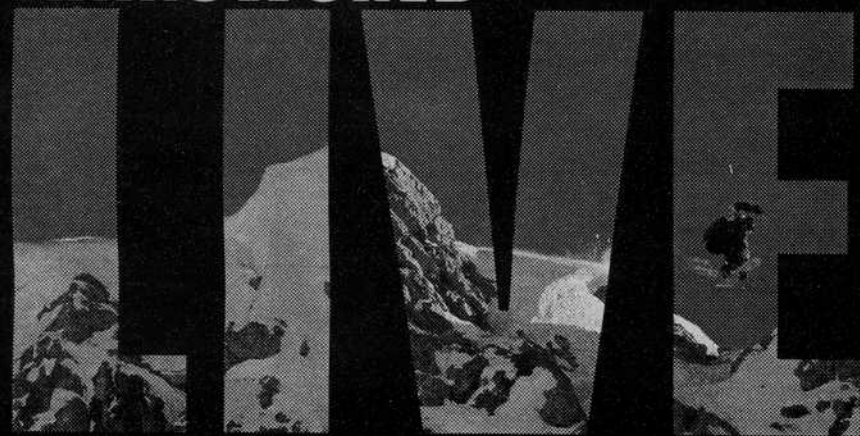
According to Jones, the transfer forward from San Francisco has a lot more offensive moves that have yet to be showcased.

"Y'all haven't even seen Robert's game yet," Jones said. "He has a lot of game that he's just been sacrificing right now for the good of the team. So once it's his time, y'all are going to be really surprised."

So what exactly is Johnson hiding?

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