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The "Falster-pipe," reconstructed from an 11th-century fragment found at an archaeological site in Falster, Denmark. Photo by the Viking Network.

Ducks utilize depth in win

■ The Oregon women's tennis team beats Nevada 5-2 by winning three matches in the bottom of the lineup

By Peter Martini
for the Emerald

Nevada put up a strong effort, but the depth of the No. 59 Oregon women's tennis team was too much as the Ducks came away with a 5-2 win Thursday at the Student Tennis Center.

Oregon won two of three doubles matches to take a 1-0 lead, but it wasn't easy.

Sophomores Davina Mendiburu and Courtney Nagle lost their doubles match, 8-2.

"We weren't really there in doubles," Nagle said. "We weren't moving well and we were upset with ourselves for not winning the match. Every point counts against a good team."

Seniors Adeline Arnaud and Vickie Gunnarsson won their doubles match handily, 8-0.

After trailing 5-3, the Wolf Pack's Vania Apodaca and Kodee Domingo won four out of five games to take a 7-6 lead against senior Janice Nyland and freshman Ester Bak.

Behind strong service by Nyland and a broken serve, they evened the score at 8-8 and forced a tie-breaker. Oregon won the tie-breaker 9-7, the match 9-8, and the doubles point.

In singles, the Ducks faced a tough top three from Nevada, but played strong in the bottom three to take four out of six matches.

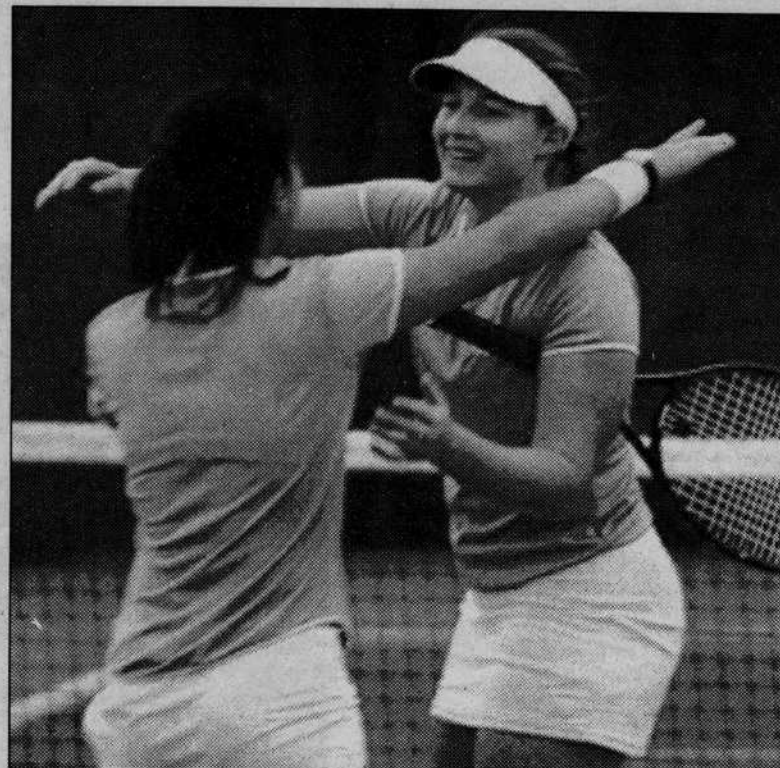
Junior Monika Gieczys won her match 6-1, 6-0. Nagle played strong at the net to take her match 6-2, 6-0.

"We've been pushing Courtney to the net because that's her strength," Griffin said. "Hanging back at the baseline isn't her game and we need her playing aggressively at the net."

In her first collegiate match in front of her father, Bak won her singles match 6-0, 6-0.

"I'm really glad he came out to watch, but I tried not to think about it when I was out there," Bak said. "But I love him and his support."

At No. 1 singles, Mendiburu lost her match 6-2, 6-1 to Tjasa Jezernik.



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Ester Bak (left) and Janice Nyland celebrate a doubles victory against Arizona. The duo increased its record to 3-0 Thursday by beating Nevada's No. 2 doubles team.

"Davina said she had low energy and she was playing a very good player," head coach Jack Griffin said. "For some reason she didn't have much in the tank."

Gunnarsson lost her match at No. 3, 6-4, 6-4. The doubles point and the wins at the 4-6 spots in the lineup gave Oregon the victory before the conclusion of Nyland's match at No. 2. After losing the first set, 6-3, she won the second, 6-3.

Because it had no effect on the result of the match, Nyland played a tie-breaker instead of a decisive third set. She won the tie-breaker, 10-6.

With the win, Oregon improves to 7-3 (0-2 Pacific-10 Conference).

The Ducks will resume their conference play at No. 12 Washington on Saturday and at No. 29 Washington State on Sunday.

Washington is 6-1 (1-0 Pac-10) and Washington State is 1-2 (0-1 Pac-10).

"We aggressively closed out our matches today," assistant coach Nils Schyllander said. "If we continue to do that and limit our errors,

we could definitely get an upset this weekend."

Men travel to Boise State

The Oregon men's tennis team hits the road today for only the second time this season.

The No. 72 Ducks travel to No. 69 Boise State to battle the Broncos. Boise State is 2-4, losing to No. 27 Minnesota, No. 53 Clemson, No. 65 New Mexico and No. 63 Brigham Young.

The Broncos are on a two-match winning streak, beating Utah, 4-3, and Idaho, 5-2. They have two ranked players led by No. 71 sophomore Guillaume Bouvier. Junior Marcus Berntson is ranked No. 94 for Boise State.

"They are a good team," junior Oded Tieg said. "They have a couple of guys that are pretty tough."

No. 43 Berntson and Mark Roberts will lead the doubles teams for the Broncos.

The Ducks will host Loyola Marymount on Sunday. No. 50 Leopold Graeubig and Tigran Martirosyan lead the Lions in doubles.

Action on Sunday begins at 11 a.m. at the Student Tennis Center.

Peter Martini is a freelance reporter for the Emerald.

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