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Track hits the ground running

enabled her to climb the NCAA provisional list as well.

Not to be outdone, freshman Elisa Crumley finished third with a mark of 159-8, also eclipsing the provisional standard.

Rounding out the event, junior Charyl Weingarten finished fourth, but her throw of 150-2 was just under the standard of 150-11.

Overall, the Ducks had a stellar day down in the desert.

'We were happy with the day, and had a lot of good things hap-

jump (38-4 1/4), sophomore Kirsten Riley earned a 12-5 1/2 mark in the pole vault — good enough for second — and fresh-man Katie McKeever placed third in the discus (155-4).

Men busy in California and Arizona

The Oregon men's track team warmed up — literally and figuratively - at the Cardinal Invitational in California and the Arizona State Invitational in Arizona this weekend.

The Ducks notched an NCAA automatic mark and four Pac-10 marks, all in distance-running events, at the weekend-long Cardinal Invitational.

But in Arizona, Simon Kimata, Micah Harris and Terry Ellis had the big meets. Kimata ran a personal best in the 800, a 1:46.65, to potentially take the national lead and earn an automatic NCAA qualifying time. Harris and Ellis ran Pac-10 qualifying times in the 110-meter hurdles.

Kimata's 800 time was the

fourth-best time in Oregon history. In Palo Alto, Calif., sophomore

Jason Hartmann started his 2002 campaign strong with an NCAA mark of 28:51.00 in the 10,000meter race.

"Today was a good first step," Hartmann said. "The goal was to get an automatic qualifying mark and run smart. The conditions felt great and the field was ready to go. It's good to get the qualifying time under your belt, so you can get some confidence and focus on the rest of the season.'

Hartmann's teammates Adam Bergquist and John Lucas garnered Pac-10 marks Friday in the 5,000 and 10,000, respectively. On Sunday, Ryan Andrus added a Pac-10 mark — the first of his career — in the 1,500, and Brett Holts notched a Pac-10 mark in the steeplechase. Eric Logsdon missed a Pac-10 mark in the steeplechase by a mere quarter-second.

The Ducks have a full week of action ahead of them in the Texas Relays in Austin, Texas. The Oregon squad will begin action at the meet on Wednesday.

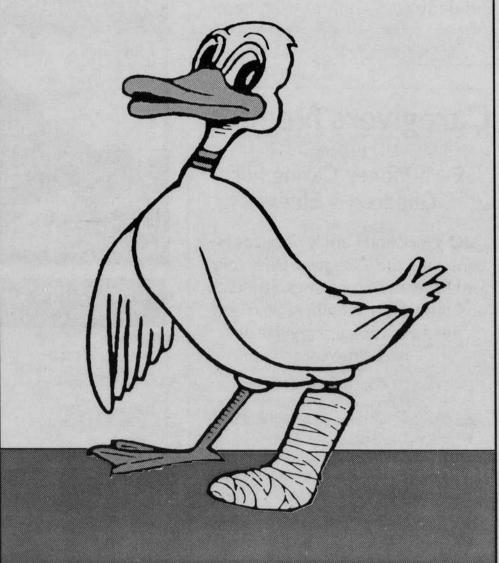
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