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Ducks run offense in final spring scrimmage

■ Despite offensive improvement, Bellotti is 'not pleased' with final tune-up before the Spring Game

By Adam Jude
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The stat lines aren't spectacular, but worth noting:

Tailback Onterio Smith had 38 yards on five carries, including a 31-yard scamper. Backup Allan Amundson rushed for one touchdown and 87 yards on 13 carries. Ryan Shaw had 49 yards on nine carries and a touchdown.

The two main quarterbacks, Jason Fife and Kellen Clemens, combined to complete 12-of-30 attempts for 118 yards, with Clemens tossing two touchdowns.

Again, nothing outrageous, but a far cry from the first scrimmage, where the Oregon defense, in green uniforms, made the offense, in white, their play

toy, allowing just one touchdown and one field goal.

In their second and last scrimmage before the Spring Game, the Ducks were finally able to establish something offensively as they concluded the third week of drills Friday.

"I think our offense woke up a bit today, and it was nice to see our running game on track," Oregon head coach Mike Bellotti said. "The offense showed up as a group for the first time this spring.

"Overall, though, I'm not pleased. Our defense played great early this spring, and maybe as a result they rested on their laurels a little (Friday)."

Safety Keith Lewis said he was not ed happy with the defense's performance Friday, when the Green team allowed four touchdowns and four field goals.

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Oregon running back Allan Amundson (bottom) is tackled by safety Demetrius Spates in Friday's scrimmage. Amundson tallied 87 yards on 13 carries and one touchdown.

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Harris, McKeever lead Ducks at three meets in Los Angeles

■ **MEN:** Micah Harris and Billy Pappas lead a handful of Ducks who made the trip to California

By Peter Hockaday
Oregon Daily Emerald

Micah Harris ran the 110-meter hurdles twice on Sunday.

The second time was the charm.

Harris broke his own Oregon school record with a time of 13.67 seconds in the Olympic Development section of the event at the Mt. San Antonio College Relays in Walnut, Calif., on Sunday afternoon. The record came hours after Harris won the collegiate section with a 14.01.

The senior assured himself a second-straight trip to the NCAA Championships with the time, which beat his previous school record — set at last season's NCAA Championships in Eugene — by 0.06 seconds.

Harris finished second in the elite race late Sunday afternoon. Mississippi's Antwan Hicks finished first with a time that was less than 0.06 seconds faster than Harris' mark.

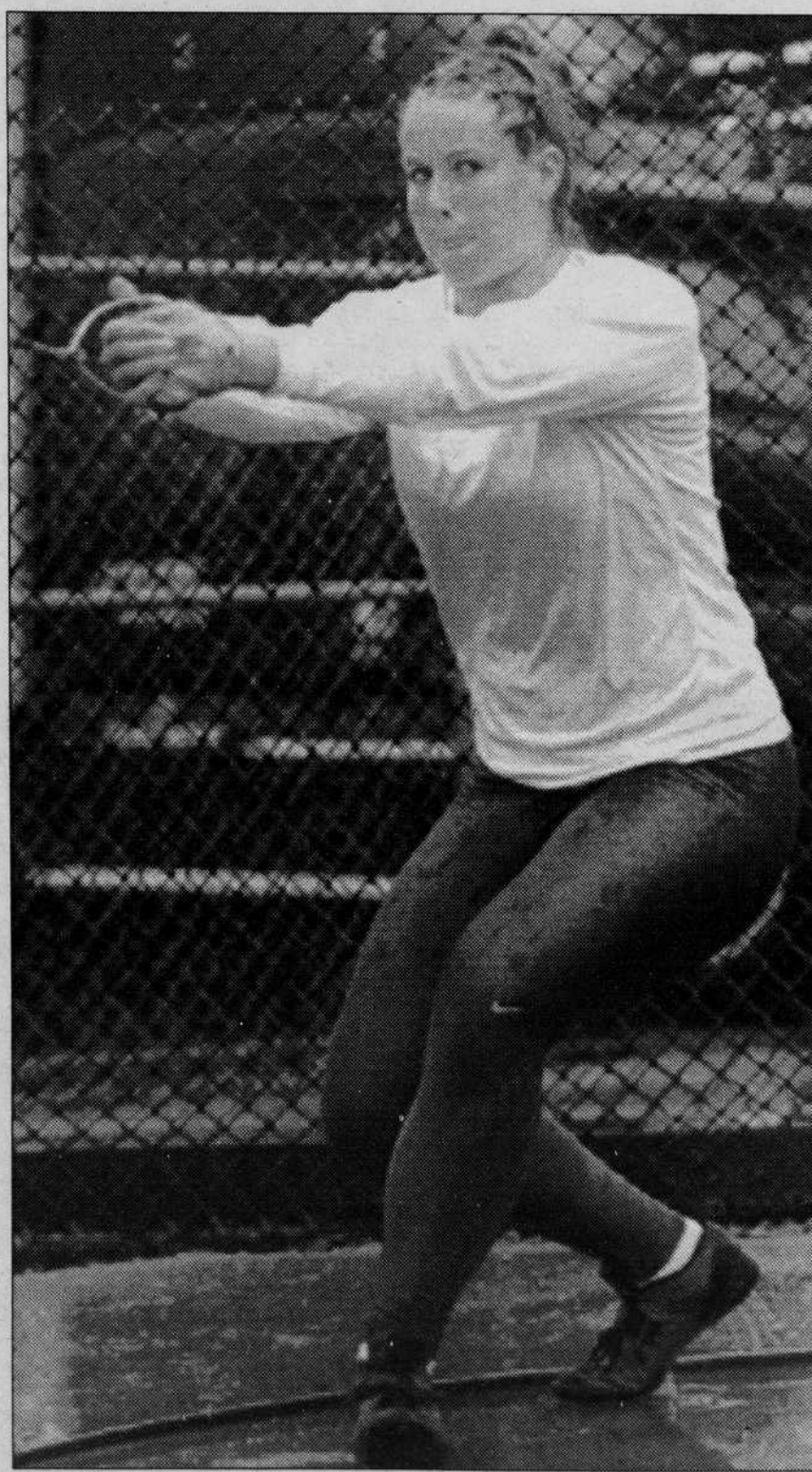
Another Oregon hurdler, junior Terry Ellis, also won his 110 collegiate section with a 14.33. The time tied his season best, and was also a Pac-10 qualifying time.

Sophomore Brandon Holliday rounded out the Ducks' hurdling action with a fourth-place showing in his section of the 400 hurdles Sunday afternoon. Holliday's time of 52.15 was slightly slower than his season-best 51.29.

Earlier in the weekend, Oregon senior Billy Pappas finished sixth in the decathlon at nearby Azusa Pacific University. Pappas scored enough points to land him on the NCAA provisional list and take the Pacific-10 Conference lead in the event.

In his first decathlon of the season, Pappas scored 7,311 points — his third-highest total ever — over the two-day competition Thursday and Friday. He was helped by decathlon personal bests in the shot put, javelin and 400.

The event marked Pappas' full return from a stress fracture in his vertebrae, an injury that kept him from competing in



Adam Amato Emerald

Freshman Katie McKeever led the way for the Ducks this weekend in Los Angeles, setting two career bests in the discus throw; she also finished 34th in the hammer and 18th in the shot put.

■ **WOMEN:** Katie McKeever leads the Ducks down in Los Angeles, earning two personal bests

By Hank Hager
Oregon Daily Emerald

Blue skies, warm temperatures and smoggy mountains. All are characteristics of Los Angeles, and all but the smog are perfect conditions for track and field athletes.

The Ducks used those conditions to their advantage during the weekend, scoring high marks in key areas.

"It was great to be down here in the warm weather," head coach Tom Heinonen said. "This was a (weekend) where we had a lot of good things happen."

Elisa Crumley and Becky Holliday were two athletes who took advantage of the weather. Crumley upped her season best in the javelin throw by more than three feet, earning fifth at the Mt. SAC Relays on Sunday.

Holliday earned a season best in the pole vault with a made attempt at 14-feet-1 1/4 inches, a mark good enough for a second-place tie. She is still three inches below her personal best, but is quickly on her way to eclipsing that height.

"Becky really stood out," Heinonen said. "She was doing that in a big competition against some of the best in the country."

Friday's Pomona Pitzer Invitational may have been the meet of the weekend for the Oregon women.

Heinonen's squad earned one NCAA provisional mark, a Pacific-10 Conference qualifying mark, six personal bests and three season bests — all of that with just 12 event entries.

"This is the best day we've ever had at Pomona," Heinonen said. "It started well with Ann (Sullivan) in the hurdles and got better and better."

Sullivan, a sophomore from Omak, Wash., missed a Pac-10 qualifying mark by 0.02 seconds and finished sixth in the 100 hurdles with a time of 14.36.

Continuing the Ducks' impressive day, freshman Katie McKeever improved her career best in the discus by 12 feet (165-feet-5 inches), easily meeting the NCAA provisional mark of 164-0.

McKeever continued her day by finishing 34th in the hammer (158-7, season best) and 18th in the shot put (42-2 3/4).

"Katie McKeever had her best day as a Duck," Heinonen said Friday. "After the hammer, she had to run over to the shot put with no warm-ups and still almost had a season best in that too."

On Saturday, McKeever continued her dominance, this time at Mt. SAC. The Woodland, Calif., native earned another NCAA provisional mark in the discus, this time with a throw of 169-9. She is now eighth all-time in Oregon history in the event.

"This was Katie's first meet with nothing but good weather," Heinonen said. "She really responded in the

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