

# UO softball hosts No. 1 Bruins, Huskies

■ Oregon hosts No. 1 UCLA today and No. 6 Washington on Saturday and Sunday

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Five games remain on the schedule for the Oregon softball team and with little hope of being selected for the NCAA Tournament, Oregon is simply looking to pick up some quality Pacific-10 Conference wins to close out its season.

Coming off a doubleheader split with Hawaii, Oregon (23-25 overall, 1-14 Pac-10) hosts No. 1 UCLA (44-6, 12-3) on Friday and No. 6 Washington (39-15, 8-7) on Saturday and Sunday at Howe Field.

The top-ranked Bruins continued their Pac-10 hot streak last week with a four-game sweep of Washington, California and Stanford. They have now won 11 consecutive conference games.

After playing on Friday in Eugene, UCLA will head up to Corvallis for two games against Oregon State. Last time UCLA played the Oregon schools, the Bruins swept the three games at Easton Stadium, defeating the Beavers 7-0 on April 19 and the Ducks 7-0 and 3-1 on April 20 and 21. Oregon has struggled against UCLA

in the past holding an all-time record of 7-50, while Oregon State is 5-60 against UCLA.

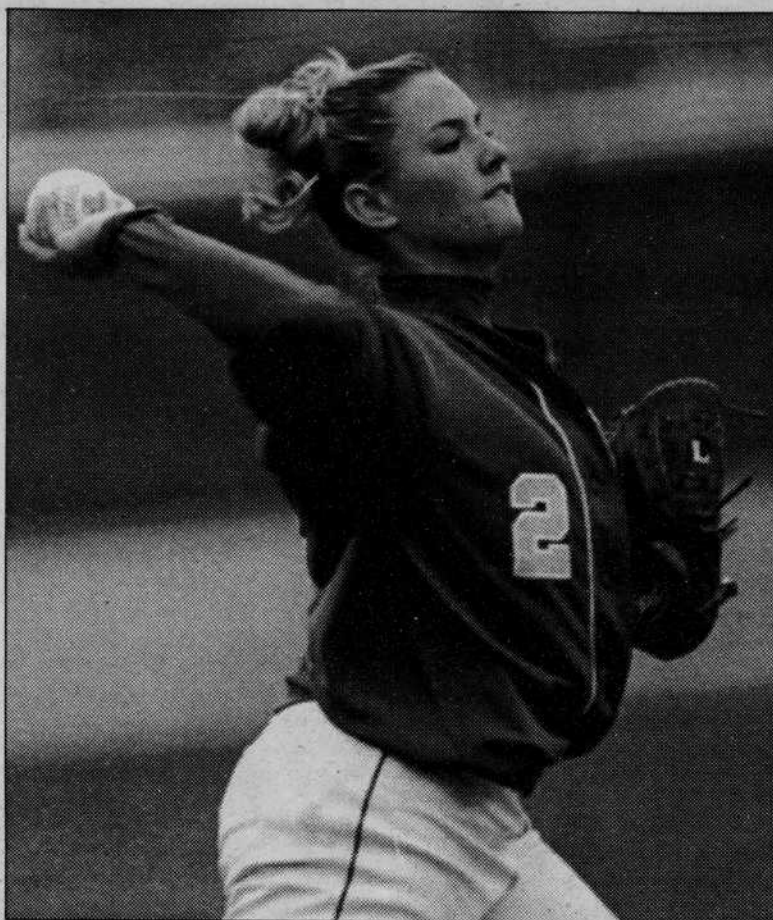
Eight different Bruins have hit at least one home run, led by Stacey Nuveman who has connected for 15. Nuveman is batting .554 through UCLA's first 50 games and is followed by Natasha Watley who is hitting .503. Claire Sua, who ranks sixth in batting on the team with a .310 average, follows Nuveman with 12 home runs.

Washington also has eight players who have hit at least one home run, while 10 Oregon hitters have gone yard. Washington is led by junior Jaime Clark, who has 15, and freshman Kristen Rivera, who belted her 16th against California on April 27.

If Oregon wants to be competitive with UCLA and Washington, it needs quality pitching out of the three hurlers who have taken the circle wearing green and yellow. Anissa Meashintubby leads the trio with an earned run average of 2.49 and a 9-5 record. Lindsey Kontra's ERA stands at 2.93, while senior Connie McMurren's stands at 3.42.

The games this weekend all begin at 2 p.m.

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Third baseman Ashley Richards and the Oregon softball team will host three games against top-ranked UCLA and No. 6 Washington this weekend at Howe Field.

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Adeline Arnaud and junior Monika Gieczys competed in that match.

"I think this is a good draw for us," Schyllander said. "UNLV had their best season ever, but they won a lot of 4-3 matches, and I feel we can pull off an upset."

The first round match will be May 11 at Los Angeles. The winner will face the winner of No. 11 USC and Oral Roberts.

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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) - Today is an 8 - Friends help you accept the things you can't change, and that's a huge blessing. Now, sort out the things that you can change. This will help you achieve your goals.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 6 - An intellectual type is about to drive you nuts by proposing impractical schemes. He or she may have the educational background, but you have the common sense. Speak up.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21) - Today is an 8 - Do you have travel plans for this weekend? If not, get some! The circumstances preventing you from going should be over and done with by then.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - It's not that you're weaker. Let's just say you're wise to hold back. Review your resources. Make preparations - covertly, not overtly. This talent is your secret weapon.

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