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But for the fans, the most exciting thing Saturday could be the chance to see Jordan Kent for the first time in the green and yellow of Oregon. The former Churchill High graduate graced the Hayward track and long jump pit many times as a prep standout, but Saturday he will compete as a Duck for the first time. He's slated to compete in the long jump at 1:45 p.m., the 4x100 meter relay at 2:40 and the 200-meter dash at 4:05.

Sprinter Samie Parker will also make his outdoor debut Saturday. The football speedster is scheduled to compete in the 100 at 3:35.

The rest of the Oregon men's field

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Derek Strubel Oregon triple jumper

is highlighted by former NCAA champion John Stiegeler in the javelin, Adam Kriz in the throws, newcomer Eric Mitchum in the 110 hurdles and Foluso Akinradewo in the triple jump.

In the field, the tightest competition should come from the pole vault, where Oregon's Trevor Woods and Washington's Brad Walker will battle. Walker's best height this season is just better than Woods' best. On the track, the most exciting race could come in the 3,000 meters. Duck Ryan Andrus' best is only one second behind Col-

orado's Dathan Ritzenheim and Minnesota's Will McComb.

As a team, Minnesota provides the greatest challenge to the Ducks. The Golden Gophers were the topranked team coming out of indoors, and Minnesota individuals have the best marks in eight of Saturday's 18 events. Oregon has seven leaders, Washington has two and Colorado has one. The stage is set for a Gopher-Duck battle.

We're definitely trying to win," Strubel said. "The way the coaches look at it is, everything is a stepping stone up to Pac-10s, obviously, but this meet this weekend is probably our second priority right now."

And if the right ingredients come together, the Pepsi Invitational cookie could crumble in Oregon's favor.

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### Softball

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season — a three-run shot to left field -to score Richards and senior Andrea Vidlund.

In the bottom of the third, Vidlund also hit her third home run of the season, scoring Richards to put the Ducks ahead 7-1.

Portland State answered with one run in the fourth, but the Ducks held the Vikings scoreless for the win.

The second game featured a pitchers duel instead of a strong offensive showing. Oregon earned its first run in the second on a single by sophomore Mari Lyn Petrick. Vidlund scored from second base on

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The Vikings scored two runs on a

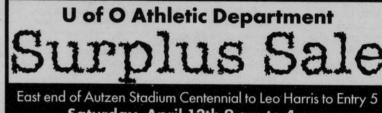
bases-loaded, inning-ending single in the top of the fifth. Portland State's runners on second and third scored, but Viking Tiffany McHenry was thrown out at home when she tried to score from first base.

Vidlund came in to pitch during the seventh inning and held the Vikings scoreless

Oregon loaded the bases in the eighth inning for Lynsey Haij. The senior hit the ball to the first baseman, who bobbled it long enough for Haij to reach first safely. Senior Amber Hutchison scored from third for the extra-inning win.

After the weekend's homestand. Oregon travels to Portland State for the second of two rescheduled doubleheaders on Wednesday afternoon. The Ducks then return home to host Oregon State on April 18 and 19.

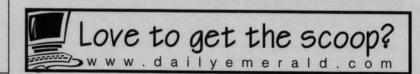
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