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and get some snaps," Teevens said. "I told him to play your game and don't try to do anything special, and he did some positive things. Trent is still the No. 1 guy right now."

In the red and yellow

John David Booty has pushed the competition aside and now sits at No. 2 on the USC quarterbacks chart.

The freshman enrolled early this year — he should be a senior at Evangel Christian High School in Louisiana.

According to the USC Web site, he is believed to be the first prep football player to enroll at a major Division I university after graduating from high school early.

He made his collegiate debut against the Cardinals, completing one pass in four attempts.

"John David Booty is a really good football player," USC head coach Pete Carroll said. "If Matt (Leinart) was to falter or get nicked, he'd go in. Somewhere down the stretch, he may have to make some big plays for us. I have no doubt that he'll do it, too."

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still know we can play against any team in the league if we play well and together."

UCLA dominating the Pac-10

For the second straight week, UCLA holds down the No. 3 position in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America/Adidas national poll. Only North Carolina and Notre Dame, which both have five more wins than the Bruins, are ranked higher.

The Bruins came off a double overtime victory against Washington on Saturday to move to 9-1-2 overall and 1-0 in conference play. Just a week before, UCLA scored with three seconds

What rankings?

The Associated Press Top 25 poll and the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll both came out on Sunday.

Each poll's rankings tell something about the Pac-10: The conference has parity and lots of it.

USC remains the highest ranked team in the Pac-10. The Trojans sit at fifth in the AP, and fourth in the coaches poll. Washington State is next at sixth in both polls.

Finally, Oregon State, despite not playing last week, is ranked 22nd in the AP poll and 21st in the coaches poll.

UCLA, Washington State, and UCLA remain the only team with spotless conference records — all at 2-0 — and USC (2-1) is the only other team with a winning Pac-10 record.

Byes ... nonconference

In addition to Oregon, Arizona has a bye this week. Arizona State plays North Carolina and USC takes on Notre Dame.

The rest of the conference plays Pac-10 tilts.

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Walter and Matt Kegel.

That is, they don't do very well in this quest, and everything goes back to the drawing board.

The Pac-10 has become so proficient offensively that the best defense against a good offense is even more offense. Cornerbacks are hung out to dry as quarterbacks have their way.

Pac-10 teams seem to understand that leaving cornerbacks unassisted is inefficient, but they still can't apply that to games.

One team has scored at least 40 points in 20 games this season where a Pac-10 program was involved. Furthering that, six games have ended with one team posting more than 50 points.

Maybe, though, having an offensive-loaded conference isn't that bad after all.

But if you like that, just don't expect to play anywhere but the Rose Bowl on New Year's Day.

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left in regulation to defeat UNLV, 1-0.

Huskies hanging around

Want proof that the Pac-10 is one of the strongest conferences in soccer? Washington still holds down the No. 10 ranking in this week's poll with a 7-3-3 record. The Huskies have the fewest wins and most losses of anybody ranked in the top 15.

The Huskies did suffer at the hands of the Bruins last weekend in a 3-2 double overtime loss. Washington can still make claim as the best statistical team in the Pac-10, leading the conference in shots, points, assists, assists per game and shutouts, as of Oct. 7.

Washington looks for its first conference win this weekend when Oregon and Oregon State travel north to

play in Seattle.

ASU: Shutout queens

While holding down the No. 23 national ranking, Arizona State comes off a solid weekend by defeating Cal, 3-2, and Stanford, 1-0.

The Sun Devils are tied for the conference lead with six shutouts this season after having their way with Stanford this weekend. It was also the first time in school history that Arizona State swept the California-Stanford series.

Arizona State moves to 8-2-2 overall and 2-0 in conference play before heading to Tucson this weekend to face in-state rival Arizona.

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season for the rookie from Hawaii.

The Ducks trailed far behind a talented tournament field with two of the sixteen teams ranked in the top 25. Northwestern, after shooting the best round of the day by far, holds the first-day lead by posting a team score of 22-under, 546.

"Northwestern had two great

rounds and ran away from the field," California head coach Steve Desimone said. "My hat's off to them."

No. 4 UCLA was second with 554, followed by a surprising Oregon State at 558, San Jose State at 559, and host No. 22 California at 560.

San Jose State's Issac Weintraub shot the best round of the day individually, carding a 5-under 66.

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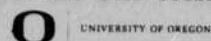
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