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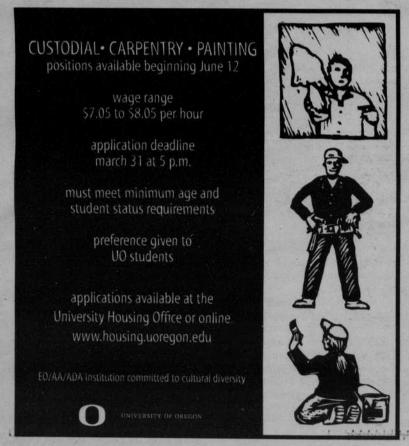
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## **SPORTS BRIEF**

### Oregon men's golf finishes 16th in 17-team field

The Oregon men's golf team battled a tough course and an even tougher field at the Cleveland Golf Intercollegiate Invitational on Tuesday.

Despite seeing marked improvement from most of the squad, the Ducks could do little to improve on their standings from Monday, finishing the tournament in 16th on the 6,815-yard, par-71 North Ranch Country Club in Westlake Village, Calif.

Sophomore Justin St. Clair continued to lead the Ducks by firing the most consistent rounds of the tournament. St. Clair bettered his first-round position by five spots after shooting a 72-75-74-221, good for an 8-over par and a tie for 32nd with Stanford's Brandon Lawson.

His final round 74 did not come easily, though, as St. Clair double-bogied Nos. 3 and 18, but was able to birdie Nos. 4, 14, and 15.

The rest of the Ducks did not fair as well as St. Clair. Sophomore Gregg LaVoie, who fired an opening round 72, struggled to maintain his momentum and eventually fell into a tie for 56th after firing second and third round 77s to finish with a 13-over 226. Senior Mike Sica made the biggest jump on the leaderboard on Tuesday. Sica rebounded from his opening round 81 by firing a 71-75 to finish with a 227, good for a tie for 58th. Senior Jimmy White finished in tie for 80th with a 235, while freshman Matt Ma finished in 84th with a 238.

Oregon finished the tournament with a 49-over 901, finishing 55 strokes behind tournament winner Texas. The Longhorns secured the title by finishing with a five-under 847,

fifteen strokes ahead of tournament host USC, which finished with a 10over 862. TCU and BYU finished tied for third at 872, while California rounded out the top five with a team score of 874

Arizona State, national No. 3 UCLA, Tennessee, Stanford and Alabama round out the top ten.

Individually, Texas' Matthew Rosenfeld led the field with a 5-under 208. Rosenfeld held the lead for the entire breadth of the tournament, holding off fellow Longhorns Jason Hartwick and Jeff Bell, who finished in a tie for second with Cal's Peter Tomasulo at 4-under 209. Arizona State's Chez Reavie finished in fifth with a 1-under 212.

The Ducks will next look to regroup and gain some positive momentum when they return home and host the Duck Invitational March 22-23 in Eugene.

- Brian Smith

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entering the tournament is that all of its conference struggles came on the road. HP Pavilion in San Jose, Calif., is only a 30-minute drive from Stanford and could act as a second home court.

#### Statistical leaders

Arizona and Stanford emerged as the Pac-10's top offensive teams during conference play.

The Wildcats (73.8) and Cardinal (73.2) were the only teams to average more than 70 points per Pac-10 contest, each holding more than a four-point advantage over third-place UCLA

Oregon and Washington State were the only teams to average less than 60 points per game, each averaging 59.4.

UCLA finished as the top rebounding team during conference play, averaging 37.9 per game. The Bruins held a slight advantage over Washington (37.8), Arizona (37.7) and Southern California (37.7)

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> Bianca McCall Washington State forward

Oregon (32.9) and California (32.6) finished at the bottom of the conference in rebounding.

Individually, Washington's Giuliana Mendiola finished as the conference's leading scorer. Last season's Pac-10 Player of the Year averaged 21.1

points per conference game. Powell finished second at 20.2 points per conference game, followed by Arizona's Dee-Dee Wheeler (18.8) and UCLA's Noelle Quinn (18.1).

Oregon's Brandi Davis was 13th at 11.8 points per Pac-10 game.

#### Joy in The Palouse

Washington State closed out its Pac-10 schedule Saturday with a 75-72 win over Arizona State. It was only the 10th conference victory for the Cougars in the past five years

Bianca McCall led the way for Washington State with 18 points.

"This is a great win," McCall said after the game. "I can't really describe my emotions right now. I am just taking it all in. We had the determination that we knew we were winning this game and we just finished it."

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most consistent starters, including four juniors and freshman Eleanor Haring, are all returning.

Then again, it may be no contest. If she fully recovers, Kraayeveld could pick up where she left off last season. The Bellevue, Wash., native led the Ducks in points (17.2), rebounds per game (8.6) and blocked shots (16) before the injury. Oregon was also 5-0.

In the KingCo Conference of the greater Seattle area, basketball is king. Kraayeveld transferred to Lake Washington High School after two seasons at Bellevue Christian. Jumping from a 1A school to the big 4A scene, she found herself on a larger stage immediately.

Now, Kraayeveld is on a large stage every day. In Oregon, where the struggling Ducks still have one of the highest average attendance levels in the Pacific-10 Conference, Kraayeveld will lead a potentially dangerous Oregon squad into next season.

Until then, she will be on the sidelines. But she's just glad she can be on the court.

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The rub?

Thirty-one of those points have come in the second half of games, including a then-season-high 16 against California last week.

To top it off, he's shared the wealth nine times and has turned the ball over twice in the second half.

"Aaron's a good player," Jackson said. "I think sitting out for so long

made him look at different things in his game and maybe understand the game a little bit better. He's been playing pretty good so maybe he can keep that going.

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