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## GAMBLING

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warned that these might be low-end figures.

"If the game is affected negatively by gambling," Malloy said, "the sport loses integrity, and then everything becomes professional wrestling with a predetermined outcome."

Current NCAA rules prohibit student-athletes, coaches and athletic department employees from betting on a college or professional sporting event, legally or illegally. (Wagering on sports such as boxing, auto racing or horse racing is not against the rules.) They also cannot share information with gamblers.

Fewer than 60 percent of Division I athletes — and fewer than 40 percent of Division III athletes — said they knew the NCAA's rules about sports wagering, which call for penalties that could include a loss of scholarship.

"That's alarming when you recognize that nearly 50 percent of the student-athletes don't really know or understand the rules," said Grant Teaff, vice-chair of the NCAA task force and the executive director of the American Football Coaches Association. "To throw away your opportunity for an education is one of the most disastrous things that can happen to a student-athlete."

The survey also found that sports

gambling on the Internet was less commonplace than expected, with just 5.3 percent of Division I male athletes partaking. It found that NCAA golfers (30.3 percent) and lacrosse players (29.3) were most likely to bet.

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 NCAA President

It also found that football was twice as susceptible to point-shaving attempts as basketball and that male athletes were four times more likely than female athletes to bet.

"I should say parenthetically that personally, as a religious figure, I don't think gambling is morally abhorrent in and of itself," Malloy said. "The question is not whether gambling is acceptable — that's a policy question for the nation — but rather the degree of harm

that some people can experience."

Specifically, when a student-athlete goes into debt for sports betting and is then at the mercy of a bookmaker.

"We're not trying to change the world," Brand said. "Many people have problems with gambling for all kinds of reasons. Our issue is the welfare of students."

"There will always be gambling, but we want to control the situation better. We don't want it to go down a slippery slope where you (a student-athlete) find yourself in an environment that encourages gambling, then you participate in gambling with a dorm bookie and then before you know it you're enraptured in a very unsavory situation that affects that student-athlete's life as well as the integrity of the game."

Malloy, after noting that Chicago is among the cities pushing for a new casino, added another element to the discussion.

"The thing we haven't talked about at all is who are the most susceptible people?" he said. "The referees. We have no evidence, none. But theoretically, if you wanted to affect the outcome of any sporting events, that's probably the place you could do it most easily."

Malloy, though, said the task force was unlikely to delve into that issue.

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## WHEELCHAIR

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experience and plans to return for next year's game. In his team's place will be the Eugene Express, a member of the National Wheelchair Basketball Association that also participated in last year's game.

"Last year was a lot of fun," Jaquiss said. "To just raise money for a good cause is awesome. (The game) lets wheelchair basketball players who are fairly accomplished compete against able-bodied basketball players who are fairly accomplished."

Westendorf and the athletes involved are all looking forward to having a good time on the floor.

Jaquiss said he was surprised last year at how quickly some of the

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**Lauren Westendorf**  
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athletes picked up the motion of having to roll themselves down the floor. After all, they can't use

motorized chairs; it's all manual.

Finding enough players to play was a difficult task as well. Like many tournaments that are just starting out, Westendorf had a hard time getting it off the ground.

"Initially, actually, we had a hard time getting players to do it (last year)," Westendorf said. "But once a couple days came around, they were all asking me. Even Luke (Jackson), day of, was like 'Lauren, I want to do it, I want to do it.' He was the most fun because he flipped over in his chair; it was hysterical. After last year, they were all asking me to do it again. They loved it. They had a great time."

And tonight, they'll do it again, all for charity.

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"Just knowing that this will be the last few weeks of my career is pretty hard to swallow," Jaime said. "There's an extra fire. The fans will get into it; the fact that we will be on TV (Friday's game) and our senior game — there will be a lot of emotion that will play into it, but you have to keep your composure, too."

When the Ducks kicked off their Pac-10 road play against Stanford and California at the beginning of April,

Oregon beat the Golden Bears, 4-0, and split two games with the Cardinal, 1-0 and 6-1.

"We're looking to win the series off both," Arendsen said. "We're trying to build positive momentum going into the Regional and postseason."

Sunday, the Ducks will host a viewing of the NCAA Regional Tournament selection show at the Pittman Room in the Casanova Center. The show begins at 5:30 p.m. while fans are encouraged to arrive by 5 p.m.

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