

## Soccer: No. 8 Bruins pose similar challenge as Trojans

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defeated No. 21 SMU, No. 15 Texas A&M, No. 24 Pepperdine and No. 15 Santa Clara.

"They aren't entirely dissimilar," Steffen said. "UCLA probably isn't as direct as USC, so there are going to be some differences, but the differences aren't going to be that great to us."

The leading scorers for the Bruins

include sophomore forward Bristyn Davis (5G, 4A, 38 shots, 21 SOG), freshman forward Danesha Adams (6G, 1A, 32 shots, 21 SOG), and senior forward Kim Devine (4G, 1A, 18 shots, 11 SOG).

"Both games are going to depend a lot on how we bring it," Steffen said. "If we play 90 minutes, we'll be OK."

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## Women's, men's tennis hit national tournaments

*Dieskova, Panova gain doubles win; Manuel Kost advances in singles play*

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The Oregon women's tennis team opened up its fall pre-season schedule with mixed results at the Riviera/ITA All-American Tournament in Pacific Palisades, Calif., this week. The top collegiate women tennis players in the country compete in the eight-day tournament, the first of three national championship events this season.

Oregon sophomore Dominika Dieskova lost her opening round matchup to USC's Nicole Leimbach in two straight sets, 6-0 and 6-2.

Dieskova, who is ranked the No. 51 singles player in the nation, recovered after moving into the consolation bracket by defeating Alabama's Ashley Bentley in a hard-fought three-set match, 2-6, 7-5 and 6-3. Bentley was ranked just ahead of Dieskova as the No. 49 singles player in the nation, according to the Intercollegiate Tennis Association.

Oregon head coach Nils Schyllander said he was happy about the effort his second-year player gave after losing her first match of the season.

"It was a big win for Dominika," said Schyllander, who is in his third season as head coach at Oregon. "Any time you pick up a win against a ranked player, it gives you confidence."

On the doubles side, Dieskova and senior Daria Panova were successful in their opening round matchup against 60th-ranked Marianne Baker and Romana But of Maryland, 8-6. Despite having only played just one career doubles match together, Dieskova and Panova earned a No. 30 pre-season ranking.

Panova is Oregon's top returning senior this season after having won three Pacific-10 Conference singles titles in her career and earning the No. 12 ranking as a singles player. She is also one singles victory shy of becoming the all-time career leader in wins at Oregon, passing Krissy Barger who had 73 from 1991-94.

Panova is scheduled to compete in the singles main draw competition as the No. 7 seed this weekend.

### Men also see mixed results

The Oregon men also saw causes for celebration and disappointment as they competed in the 2004 Icy Hot/ITA



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Sophomore Dominika Dieskova, ranked No. 51 in the nation, won her consolation match against Alabama's Ashley Bentley, 2-6, 7-5 and 6-3.

All-American Tournament in Chattanooga, Tenn., this week.

Senior Manuel Kost, one of Oregon's top returning players, won his first round match in the singles main draw against North Carolina State's Conor Taylor in straight sets, 6-3 and 6-2. Kost, ranked No. 30 in the nation, will now move on to the round of 32.

Fellow senior Sven Swinnen, however, had a disappointing showing in the tournament. Swinnen, ranked No. 12 in the nation, lost his first round match to Boise State's Luke Shields, 6-2 and 6-1.

Swinnen moved on to the consolation bracket where he was again defeated in straight sets. Louisiana State's Jason Hazley dominated the first set and narrowly won the second, 6-1 and 7-5.

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