

College Football

# Players looking forward to intriguing Civil War

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CORVALLIS — When the Oregon State Beavers say they're looking forward to the Civil War, they really mean it.

In recent seasons the team hasn't always seemed quite as sincere about the prospects in facing Oregon, which has an eight-game winning streak in the rivalry.

But it has been a disappointing season for the Ducks, who are 4-7 overall and 2-6 in the Pac-12, and likely won't play in the postseason for the first time since 2004.

Oregon State, which is 3-8 overall but has an identical conference record as the Ducks, likes its chances at home, especially after a 42-17 victory over Arizona at Reser Stadium this past Saturday night.

The Beavers are definitely fired up.

"Everyone in Oregon is probably going to be there, so we're looking to win that one, too," said cornerback Dwayne Williams.

Marcus McMaryion, pressed into duty as a starter



Oregon State offensive guard Gavin Andrews (62) leads the Beavers in singing the fight song after the team's 42-17 win over Arizona in an NCAA college football game in Corvallis, Ore., Saturday Nov. 19, 2016.

for the Beavers earlier this season after both Darell Garretson and backup Conor Blount were injured, threw for 265 yards and a career-best five touchdowns against the Wildcats.

Oregon State announced on Monday that the Civil War game was already a sellout.

"Big games are created

sometimes by win-loss records or where you sit in the season. This game is a big game every year regardless of the situation or the scenario," Beavers coach Gary Andersen said. "Our kids understand that, they know that and it's a privilege and honor for them to play in it. It's a game they'll

remember for the rest of their lives."

The Ducks will be motivated, too.

Oregon is coming off a 30-28 upset of then-No. 11 Utah, a victory that was sealed by Justin Herbert's touchdown pass to Darren Carrington with two seconds left.

Oregon State running

**Oregon Ducks**  
(4-7)

**Oregon State Beavers**  
(3-8)

• Saturday, 1 p.m.  
• at Reser Stadium, Corvallis  
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back Ryan Nall predicted a fun game. Nall has rushed for 796 yards and nine touchdowns, but his season has been marred by a foot injury.

"We're going to take off with momentum. Oregon also came off a big win, so they are going to come after us," Nall said. "They're not going to just going to think, 'Oh, it's Oregon State. We beat them every year.' It's going to be a fun game. We're coming off a big win; they're coming off a big win. We'll see who can execute the best."

Nall's Oregon counterpart, Royce Freeman, has had two straight games with 100 or more yards, and seems to have bounced back after a midseason lull. Freeman has 839 yards rushing and nine touchdowns.

"The last two weeks have been better, there's still time," coach Mark Helfrich said. "He

did some great stuff absolutely like you're saying, that's the quote-unquote 'old Royce.' That was good to see."

In the end, however, the game may come down to defense, where both teams are struggling.

Oregon is ranked 126th in the nation for total defense, allowing an average of 528.2 yards a game, and 126th in scoring defense, allowing 42.1 points per game.

The Beavers are allowing averages of 433.3 yards and 31.1 points per game. They're ranked 88th in both categories.

Andersen cautioned not to be fooled by Oregon's slump this season.

"Do I worry about our kids getting over hyped? No, we talked about it today," Andersen said. "You walk into these games and you respect your opponent. You expect to go out and play well, you expect to win, and that's what you do against every opponent that you play. Does this game have a little extra energy, a little extra juice? It should because it's your last regular season game of the season. You're playing against your rival."

Women's College Basketball

## Marquette upsets Beavers

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CORVALLIS — Natisha Hiedeman and Allazia Blockton combined for 47 points and Amani Wilborn's layup with 13 seconds left lifted the Marquette women to a 74-73 upset of No. 22 Oregon State on Tuesday night.

Hiedeman hit five 3s, scored 24 points and had six assists. Blockton had 23 points and seven rebounds.

Gabriella Hanson's jumper gave Oregon State (4-1) a 71-65 lead with 3:09 to play. Hiedeman hit a 3-pointer and Blockton made 4 of 4 foul shots as

**Marquette**  
**74**

**#22 OSU**  
**73**

Marquette took a one-point lead it's first of the quarter with 77 seconds remaining.

A layup by Marie Gulich put OSU back in front, 73-72, with 29 seconds left before Wilborn's winner.

Katie McWilliams missed a potential winning 3-pointer with 3 seconds left.

Gulich made 8 of 12 from the field and scored a career-high 20 points for OSU. Sydney Wiese added 15 points and 11 assists.

## OREGON: Ducks bring added defensive pressure in second half

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Walton and yelled: "Come on Bill!"

"I thought he was going to drive it," Altman said of Brooks' game-winner. "When he pulled it up, it was one of those no, no, great shot."

Tennessee (1-3), which lost to No. 16 Wisconsin in its tournament opener, struggled against the Ducks' constant defensive pressure.

The Vols had 25 turnovers and shot 37 percent, though managed to keep the Ducks within reach. Shembari Philips hit two free throws with 30 seconds left in regulation, but Tennessee could not come up with the big shot it needed in overtime.

Detrick Mostella led Tennessee with 22 points.

"I keep saying I really like our team," Tennessee coach Rick Barnes said. "We keep getting better and better each time out, certainly coming here and playing against the level of competition is proving that our guys can compete. And now we've got to learn to win games"

Oregon had a disappointing tournament opener, digging a 17-point first-half hole before a furious second-half rally fell short.

The Ducks slow-started the second game as well, missing their first six 3-pointers and 10 of 13 shots overall.

Tennessee stumbled out

of the gate in its opener as well and did it again in the Day 2 early game, opening 3 for 16 to keep Oregon in it.

Both teams started hit a few shots and were tied at 32-all by halftime.

It got worse for the Vols to start the second half.

Sped up by Oregon's pressure defense, they threw balls out of balls and missed shots from all over the court. Tennessee had nine turnovers in the opening 8 1/2 minutes and missed eight of its first nine shots to fall behind 45-42.

Despite Tennessee's struggles, the Ducks could not pull away. Oregon had its own issues with turnovers and missed shots, so was unable to

push the lead past single digits.

"We didn't come out of the locker room with the kind of energy we needed," Barnes said. "We fought back. We kept our poise even when we'd been down."

BIG PICTURE

Oregon won ugly and is still trying to find its groove with Brooks back. Getting a game-winning shot by their best player could be the spark the Ducks need.

MISSING VOLTS

The Vols played without point guard Jordan Bone, who was limited to seven minutes in the opener due to a foot injury. Power forward Admiral Schofield also was out due to unspecified reasons.

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