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## OREGON FOOTBALL

### Ducks roll past Montana, 35-3

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EUGENE — Justin Herbert isn't satisfied yet but he's confident that the Ducks are on the right path.

The senior quarterback threw for 316 yards and five touchdowns in No. 15 Oregon's 35-3 victory Saturday night over Montana, the Ducks' final tuneup before opening Pac-12 play at Stanford next week.

Jacob Breeland and Johnny Johnson III each caught a pair of touchdowns for the Ducks (2-1), who won their 25th straight nonconference game at Autzen Stadium.

"I think we've been doing some good things and definitely some stuff we can learn and fix, but I like the direction we're going in and I like the guys who've stepped up and made plays," Herbert said.

Herbert has thrown for a touchdown in 31 straight games, the longest current streak in the nation. It was his fifth career five-touchdown game, most by an Oregon quarterback. Marcus Mariota had four.

Fifth-year senior Dalton Sneed threw for 184 yards for FCS-level Montana (2-1), which avoided its first shutout since 1988 with Brandon Purdy's 25-yard field goal late in the third quarter.

"We need to get better. We lost," Montana coach Bobby Hauck said when asked what his team can take away from the game. "We came here to win, and we didn't do it."

Oregon was coming off a 77-6 rout of Nevada that helped get the team back on track after a disappointing loss to Auburn in the season opener. Herbert also threw five TDs against the Wolf Pack and now has 11 for the season.

"We're a real brotherhood this year, and you know it's a real family on this team and I think he (Herbert) knows that and he's a big part of this family and we all look up to him," Johnson said.

Montana opened the season with wins over South Dakota and North Alabama, climbing into the STATS FCS Top 25 at No. 20. The Ducks are the second-highest ranked team the Grizzlies have faced in the modern era after a 63-7 loss to No. 7 Washington two years ago.

Montana senior receiver Jerry Louie-McGee caught six passes for 66 yards. He went into the game needing just three catches to break Raul Pacheco's career record of 192 set in 1998.

Herbert made his first 10 passes of the game for 113 yards and two scores, both to Breeland.

## OREGON STATE FOOTBALL

### Luton leads OSU past Cal Poly, 45-7

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CORVALLIS — The smallest player on the field had perhaps the biggest impact.

Oregon State wide receiver Champ Flemings, a 5-foot-5, 141-pound red-shirt sophomore, had five catches for 142 yards and two long touchdowns from quarterback Jake Luton, leading Oregon State to a 45-7 victory over Cal Poly on Saturday.

The win snapped a six-game losing streak for the Beavers (1-2).

"He's been waiting on a couple opportunities," second-year OSU coach Jonathan Smith said. "We've been giving him (opportunities) in the return game, but he got a bunch of time today at wideout and he made due on that."

Flemings had four receptions for 68 yards last season, receiving the bulk of his playing time on kick returns.

Both of Flemings' touchdowns Saturday came late in the second quarter as the Beavers increased a 24-7 lead to 38-7 at the break.

Flemings outjumped a defender at the goal line for a 47-yard score, which was the first touchdown of his college career.

"Jake just trusted me and he put the ball up," Flemings said. "The defender did go up and tried to pick it off, but I just felt like I could outjump him. So, I jumped up there, was able to track the ball with my eyes and make a good catch."

Flemings' second score came on a 75-yard catch and run with 21 seconds left in the first half. He also had a 66-yard kickoff return.

Luton passed for 255 yards and four first-half touchdowns — tying the school record for most touchdown passes in a half — and the Beavers' offense amassed 549 total yards despite the absence of leading rusher Jermar Jefferson, who was out with a foot injury.

Luton was coming off a subpar performance in last Saturday's 31-28 loss at Hawaii, but he was on target from the outset against the Mustangs. The sixth-year senior completed 17 of 22 passes.

He played one series in the third quarter before giving way to backup quarterback Tristan Gebbia.

"We're trying to build some depth and we're heading that way," Smith said.

The Mustangs (1-2), who lost 41-24 last week at Weber State, played a Pac-12 school for the second time in school history.

Cal Poly coach Tim Walsh said his biggest concern entering the game was the size of OSU's offensive line against the Mustangs' defensive front.

"Too many mistakes on the defensive side of ball, especially in the run game that gave us no opportunity to compete defensively in the first half," Walsh said.

Cal Poly had some success moving the ball between the 20-yard lines, but it struggled in the red zone.

## BAKER VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT



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Baker's Kaylee Dalke, with arms extended, keeps the ball alive against Burns.

### Bulldogs take third place

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Baker placed third at the Baker Volleyball Invitational Friday at BHS.

The Bulldogs defeated Ontario 25-21, 25-11 in the third-place match.

Baker finished first in its pool, defeating Burns 25-16, 25-17, and splitting with Irrigon 25-23, 16-25.

In bracket play Baker then lost a rematch with Burns, 25-23, 25-20.

"It was great to play some new teams we have not seen," said Baker coach Chelsea Hurliman. "The girls held strong and continued to find their strengths on the court."

In the third-place match against Ontario, the first set went back and forth until Baker took a 21-19 lead

behind the serving of Hailey Zikmund.

Baker then maintained its edge the rest of the game.

In the second game, Anna Carter served the Bulldogs to a 9-0 lead and Ontario could get no closer than five points the rest of the way.

In bracket play with Burns, the teams battled through seven ties in the first set before Burns scored the final three points for the win.

In the second set Baker took a quick 7-2 lead and led 14-10 before Burns rallied for a 16-14 edge.

The Hilanders maintained a slim lead the rest of the match.

In pool play against Burns, Baker broke a 10-10 tie behind the serving of Lauren Benson.

The Bulldogs took a 17-10 advantage and coasted to the win in the first set.

In the second set, the serving of Carter and Josie Lewis broke the game open late.

Baker then led Irrigon most of the first set before facing a 23-23 tie.

Lewis then served the final two points for the win.

In the second set, Baker led 16-14 before Irrigon rallied to score the final 11 points and gain the split.

Baker travels to Pendleton today for a nonleague match starting at 6:30 p.m.

The Bulldogs then open Greater Oregon League play Tuesday by hosting Ontario, also at 6:30 p.m. Baker then travels to compete in the Sisters tournament Saturday.

## BAKER FOOTBALL

### Homedale stops Bulldogs

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Baker couldn't muster any consistent offense Friday against Homedale in a nonleague football game at Homedale.

Karsen Freelove and Daniel Uragna each scored two touchdowns for the Trojans (3-0) on the way to defeating Baker 28-7.

Baker's defense held the defending Idaho state runnerup scoreless most of the opening quarter despite Homedale advancing inside the Baker 20 three times.

"Our defense played well most of the game," said Baker coach Jason Ramos.

Homedale finally scored on a 6-yard run from Freelove

with 1:56 left in the first quarter.

Uranga's 10-yard touchdown run with four minutes left in the first half gave Homedale a 14-0 edge.

The Trojans increased their lead to 21-0 two plays later when Freelove scooped up a Baker fumble and raced 30 yards for the touchdown.

Uranga then added his second TD run late in the half to boost Homedale's lead to 28-0 at halftime.

"They got their running game going in the second quarter," Ramos said of Homedale's 21-point period.

Baker avoided the shutout with 3:16 left in the game when quarterback Spencer Shirtcliff scored on a 14-yard

run.

"Offensively we had our moments," Ramos said. "We just turned the ball over too much. The miscues really hurt us."

"We're taking some positives away from the game. We just have to play cleaner. We're going to build on this game and move forward."

Baker (1-1) plays its first "home" game Friday but it won't be at BHS. The Bulldogs host Elmira at 7 p.m. at Summit High School in Bend.

Baker	0	0	0	7	-	7
Homedale	7	21	0	0	-	28
H	— Freelove 6 run (Lomeli kick)					
H	— Uranga 10 run (Lomeli kick)					
H	— Freelove 30 fumble recovery (Lomeli kick)					
H	— Uranga 6 run (Lomeli kick)					
B	— Shirtcliff 14 run (Rushton kick)					

### Washington routs Hawaii in Seattle

SEATTLE (AP) — After just three plays, Hunter Bryant was celebrating in the end zone. Five plays later, it was Sean McGrew's turn. And after another seven

snaps, it was Puka Nacua catching his first collegiate pass for a touchdown.

Washington rebounded with a 52-20 romp over Hawaii on Saturday night.

## WEEK AHEAD IN HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

- MONDAY, SEPT. 16**
- **Volleyball:** Baker at Pendleton, 7 p.m.
  - **Boys soccer:** Weiser at Baker, 4 p.m.
  - **Girls soccer:** Baker at Weiser, 3 p.m.
- TUESDAY, SEPT. 17**
- **Volleyball:** Ontario at Baker, 6:30 p.m.
- THURSDAY, SEPT. 19**
- **Volleyball:** Imbler at Powder Valley, 6:30 p.m.
  - **Boys soccer:** Four Rivers at Baker, 4 p.m.

- FRIDAY, SEPT. 20**
- **Volleyball:** Powder Valley at Pine-Eagle, 4 p.m.; Burnt River at Dayville/Monument, 7 p.m.
  - **Football:** Powder Valley at Pine-Eagle, 2 p.m.; Baker vs. Elmira, 7 p.m., Summit

- SATURDAY, SEPT. 21**
- **Volleyball:** Powder Valley at Joseph, 1 p.m.; Pine-Eagle at New Meadows, 2 p.m.; Baker at Sisters tourney, tba
  - **Cross country:** Baker at Three Course Challenge, tba, Warrenton
  - **Boys soccer:** Baker at La Grande, 2 p.m.
  - **Girls soccer:** Baker at La Grande, noon

## AT A GLANCE

### Spartans game with Cascade called off

HALFWAY — Pine-Eagle's nonleague football game scheduled with Cascade, Idaho, Friday was canceled.

Pine-Eagle coach Itsy Tanaka said Cascade didn't have enough players due to injuries and other issues.

### Brown sets new record at Pendleton

PENDLETON — Baker cowboy Jesse Brown won the steer wrestling competition at the Pendleton Round-Up Saturday.

In the process, Brown set a new arena record of 3.7 seconds.

### Spartans split two matches

PRAIRIE CITY — Pine-Eagle split a pair of volleyball matches Saturday at Prairie City.

The Spartans lost 3-0 to Prairie City, and defeated Trinity Lutheran 3-1.

### Sherman/Condon tops PC/BR

CONDON — Sherman/Condon defeated Prairie City/Burnt River 47-16 in 6-man football action Friday.

### Linfield stops Rowan 35-14

GLASSBORO, N.J. — Wyatt Smith passed 283 yards and four touchdowns, and linebacker Brian Pullman made 15 tackles to lead No. 12 Linfield past Rowan 35-14 Saturday afternoon at Richard Wacker Stadium.

Playing its season-opening game, Linfield (1-0) never trailed and refused to wilt even after Rowan (0-2) rallied from two touchdowns down to tie the game at 14 early in the third quarter.

Linfield answered with Jacob Calo's 11-yard touchdown catch from Smith, capping a 47-yard drive that included runs of 21 and 15 yards by tailback Artie Johnson.