OREGON HOOPS

Dante leads **Ducks** past Cougars

EUGENE (AP) — N'Faly Dante scored 16 of his 22 points in the second half when Oregon used a 13-2 run to jump start a 74-60 win over Washington State in the Pac-12 Conference opener on Thursday night, Dec. 1.

The game was played within four points through the first 26 minutes. TJ Bamba had a dunk and a three-point play to put the Cougars on top 44-40. Will Richardson got those points back in similar fashion, and after one last Washington State lead, the Ducks scored eight straight points. A Dante layup gave the Ducks a 53-46 lead with 11:08 to play.

Starting near the five-minute mark, Dante scored three quick baskets, the last two dunks, and the score was 68-54. The Cougars went six minutes without a basket, missing five shots with four turnovers.

Richardson had 17 points for the Ducks (4-4) and Quincy Guerrier 12. Richardson had eight assists and three steals and Dante had seven rebounds.

Mouhamed Gueye scored 19 points for Washington State (4-4), which came in averaging 11 3-pointers but finished 3 of 14 behind the arc. Bamba added 14 points, but he missed his only 3, coming in at 56.5%. Jabe Mullins, a 57% shooter from distance, missed the game with a knee issue.

The first half ended deadlocked at 32 with nine ties and five lead changes. Almost every statistic was a tie, but Gueye poured in 17 points for Washington State on 7-of-9 shooting. No other Cougar had more than four points.

Gueye only got three shots in the second half while Dante was 8 of 10 for the Ducks.

Oregon goes to No. 21 UCLA on Sunday.

OREGON STATE BASKETBALL

Beavers nip Huskies with last-second

score

CORVALLIS (AP) — Dzmitry Ryuny had 14 points, Dexter Akanno scored the last three points and Oregon State held off Washington for a 66-65 win on Thursday night, Dec. 1 in a Pac-12 Conference opener.

Akanno converted a threepoint play with 8.2 seconds remaining. Keion Brooks missed a 3 for Washington to end it.

Brooks scored on a dunk, sparking a 15-2 run to give Washington a 62-61 lead with 2:21 to play, its first since the 14:07 mark in the first half. Jamal Bey's layup with 40 seconds left stretched the Huskies' lead to 64-61.

Glenn Taylor Jr. made a pair of free throws for Oregon State to cut the deficit to 64-63, but then Brooks split a pair of free throws for a 65-63 Huskies lead with 14 seconds left.

BAKER GIRLS BASKETBALL SEASON OPENER

Bulldogs dominate Homedale, 43-12

Baker outscored Trojans 29-4 in second half

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Baker's offense had a sluggish start to the season, but the Bulldogs' defense was so stout that the shooting struggles didn't matter.

Baker held Homedale to just 12 points, and the Bulldogs' offense was much more efficient in the second half of a 43-12 win in a nonleague girls basketball game Thursday, Dec. 1 at Homedale.

Baker led 14-8 at halftime.

Baker coach Jason Ramos said the Bulldogs were taking good shots, but most didn't go down in the first two quarters.

"I thought we'd come out and be more efficient on offense," he said.

Ramos was pleased with Baker's effort and performance on defense from the opening tip.

"We play really good defense, and just with the personnel we have we're going to be tough for teams to deal with," he

Baker forced 16 turnovers.

Ramos said his message to the team at halftime was that if they continued to clamp down on the Trojans in the second half, their own shots would start

"Defense drives the offense, that was the halftime discussion," Ramos said.

The Bulldogs turned his words into results — and points — in the final two quarters.

Senior post Jozie Ramos, the reigning Greater Oregon League player of the year, scored 19 of her game-high 26 points in the second half as Baker outscored the Trojans 29-4.

Homedale didn't score in the fourth

"We got the same good looks in the second half," Jason Ramos said. "Our defense just continued to be stellar all night."

Jozie Ramos was the only Bulldog to go to the free throw line, where she made 7 of 9.

She also had one of Baker's two 3-pointers. Fellow senior Brooklyn Jaca had the other.

Makenzie Flanagan had six points, and Rylee Elms had four.

Baker was scheduled to play host to Mazama on Friday, Dec. 2 and Klamath Union on Saturday, Dec. 3, but the schools decided not to travel to Baker City due to road conditions.



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Baker's Rylee Elms, here in a February 2022 game, had six points in the Bulldogs' season-opening win at Homedale, Idaho, on Thursday, Dec. 1, 2022.

Ramos said the cancellations were disappointing.

'We were expecting to play two more games this weekend," he said. "We want to be playing basketball."

Early season nonleague games are important as the Bulldogs hone their sys-

tem with a goal of peaking in March in time for the Class 4A playoffs.

BAKER (43)

Elms 2 0-0 4, Flanagan 3 0-0 6, Dalton 0 0-0 0, Llaurado 1 0-0 2, Pierce 0 0-0 0, Ramos 9 7-9 26, Jaca 1 0-0 3, Robb 0 0-0 0, Rabourne 0 0-0 0, Moore 1 0-0 2. Totals 17 7-9 43.

HOMEDALE (12)

Telford 0 0-0 0, McFarlane 0 0-0 0, Parker 1 1-2 4, J. Roseborongh 0 0-0 0, Quezada 0 0-0 0, Hall 3 0-0 6, K. Roseborongh 0 0-0 0, Moore 0 0-0 0, Davis 0 2-4 2. Totals 4 3-6 12.

BAKER WRESTLING BEGINS SEASON

Bulldogs grapple with Columbia, Nampa Christian

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Baker's boys and girls wrestling teams started their season Wednesday, Nov. 30 at Columbia High School in Nampa, Idaho.

The Bulldogs also had some matches against Nampa Chris-

Columbia won both dual matches, topping the Baker boys 42-28, and the Baker girls, 34-18.

Girls

"Great effort by all," said Josh Anderson, Baker's new girls coach. "Have work to do, learned a lot."

Columbia 34, Baker girls 18

- def. Kylie Martin, by fall
- (C) def. Alena Hills, 11-0
- 145: Maria Sifuentes (C)

- 114: Denisse Romero (C)
- 120: Brooklyn Lanningham
- 132: McKay Anderson (B)
- def. Kirsten Rayo-Tona, by fall
- def. Kaci Anderson, by fall

- 152: Hallie Campbell (C) def. Lilly Collins, by fall
- Forfeited matches not listed

Extra matches 114: Brooklyn Lanningham (C) def. Kylie Martin, by fall

114: Denisse Romero (C) def. Alena Hills, by fall 132: Kaylee Apodaca (C) def.

McKay Anderson, by fall 185: Madison Meyer (B) def.

Alysen Palomar, by fall

"I couldn't be more proud of the way we performed," Baker coach Jeris Stephens said.

"We're really fairly young, we have six or seven seniors. Columbia's a very good school, continuously a tough team out of Idaho. We wrestled hard, things just didn't go

Wrestling at 195 pounds, Baker's Jacob Mills pinned Kaden Hanan in one minute, 39 seconds. Stephens said he would like Mills to drop down



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Baker wrestlers prepare for their first matches of the season at Columbia High School in Nampa, Idaho, on Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2022.

to the 182-pound weight class

in the future.

Aldo Duran won in both the 113- and 120-pound brackets. Ryan Brown, despite wrestling at a higher weight class,

defeated Syrus Johnson. "Essentially he was giving up 10 to 15 pounds against his opponent and came up with a win for us," Stephens said.

Stephens said Ben Coburn, despite losing at 160 pounds, wrestled well.

"I couldn't be more proud

of the way he performed," Stephens said.

Columbia 42, Baker boys 28

- 113: Aldo Duran (B) def.
- Adan Garcia Sanchez, 7-0 • 120: Aldo Duran (B) def.
- Jesus Gonzalez, 11-1
- 126: Steve Mateo (C) def. Aldo Duran, 6-5
- 132: Payton Hernandez (C) def. Sage Darlington, by fall
- 145: Mason Hammerle (C)
- def. Riley Martin, by fall
- 152: Devin Myers (C) def.

• 195: Jacob Mills (B) def. Kaden Hanan, by fall

Jimmy Sullivan, by fall

def. Ben Coburn, 6-1

Gra ison Stone, by fall

Syrus Johnson, 4-0

• 160: Damian Munster (C)

• 170: Nakoa Fouret (C) def.

• 182: Ryan Brown (B) def.

- 220: Troy Olmos (C) def.
- Cade Lind, by fall
- 285: Kailin Temple (C) def.
- Andrew Sandberg, by fall
 - Forfeited matches not listed
- Baker boys matches against

Nampa Christian • 126: Riley Workman (NC)

- def. Yovani Ocampo, by fall • 138: Daniel Maldonado (B)
- def. Cole Hilty, by fall
- 138: Peter Hilty (NC) def.

Riley Martin, 10-8 Baker girls matches against

Nampa Christian • 113: Kylie Martin (B) def.

Finnley Olson, by fall • 138: Madison Meyer def. Cameron Rowan, by fall

1st, 2nd, & 3rd prizes

for all age groups:

10&11, 12&13, 14&15



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