College wrestling roundup: Oregon State at National Duals, Clackamas wins NJCAA West Region

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Toney Chay, shown here Jan. 25 against Oklahoma, provided a bright spot for the Beavers Sunday at the National Duals. The sophomore from West Linn locked in a riding-time point to upset No. 23-ranked Chris Moon of Virginia Tech 2-1 at 165 pounds. (Scott Bernard Nelson/The Oregonian)

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Oregon State won 5 of the last 6 matches against No. 16 Virginia Tech at the National Duals in Columbus, Ohio, on Sunday, but it wasn't enough to close a big early lead they spotted the Hokies. Virginia Tech won the first-round dual 18-16 to advance to a quarterfinal match with No. 4 Cornell.

The No. 25-ranked Beavers received a bye in the consolation round Sunday afternoon, and advanced to a likely Monday-morning matchup with No. 20 North Dakota State. The Bison, who beat Tennessee-Chattanooga 28-10 in the first round of the National Duals, already have one win over Oregon State this year – 19-17 Jan. 19 in Corvallis.

Like the Virginia Tech dual on Sunday, the deciding factor in the Jan. 19 win by NDSU was a pin at 125 pounds that put 6 early team points on the board and proved too much for the Beavers to overcome.

In other college wrestling action this weekend, top-ranked Clackamas Community College ran away with the NJCAA West Region Championship, and qualified all 10 of its wrestlers for the NJCAA National Championships Feb. 28 and March 1 in Spokane.

The Cougars' CJ Palmer at 133 pounds and Eleazar DeLuca at 157 won regional titles, and no CCC wrestler placed lower than third. The top four at each weight punched their ticket to nationals.

Led by a second-place finish from 125-pounder Matthew Nguyen, Southwestern Oregon Community College placed fourth at the NJCAA regional and qualified eight wrestlers for the national championships.

And in Ashland on Saturday night, Southern Oregon put a 37-3 beating on Pacific in the final tuneup for both teams before they begin the postseason.

Southern Oregon, No. 7 in the NAIA ranks, heads to the NAIA Western Qualifier Feb. 22 in Atherton, Calif. Pacific is off until the NCAA Division III West Regional on March 1 in Minneapolis.

NCAA Division I National Duals results

Columbus, Ohio
Virginia Tech 18, Oregon State 16

125: Joey Dance (VT) pinned Pat Rollins (OSU), 5:38

133: Dennis Gustafson (VT) def. Drew Van Anrooy (OSU), 6-4

141: Erik Spjut (VT) def. Joey Delgado (OSU), 4-3

149: Zach Neibert (VT) def. Scott Sakaguchi (OSU), 10-6

157: RJ Pena (OSU) def. Sal Mastriani (VT), 10-7

165: Toney Chay (OSU) def. Chris Moon (VT), 2-1

174: Joe Latham (OSU) def. John Dickson (VT), 7-4

184: Nick Vetterlein (VT) def. Austin Morehead (OSU), 9-8

197: Taylor Meeks (OSU) def. Chris Penny (VT), 15-1

HWT: Amar Dhesi (OSU) def. Ty Walz (VT), 6-3

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