Cal Polycyclists wheel in at first place

By Jessica Yamada

Cal Poly cyclists wheel in at first place in the annual Cal Poly Classic cycling competition on campus last weekend.

"It not only saves your time, but it also eliminates work for the IRS," he said.

Qualified taxpayers who file a 1040-EZ form will receive special Telefile instructions and a Personal Identification Number along with the regular tax booklet.

It takes three to four weeks to receive your refund check through Telefile. And the same deadline of April 15 applies.

"Evidently, it's pretty simple to use," Williams said. "You call up and enter all of your information, and they tell you the amount of the refund."

There are no forms or W-2s to send in, no envelopes or stamps, and the phone call (available in Spanish or English) takes only six to 10 minutes. This is a 24-hour service, so taxes can be filed at any time.

"It's really nice for people who use it," said Mike Montoya, the ASI Executive Staff member in charge of the program on campus.

"It's reliable, convenient — you just can't beat it."
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By Michelle Castillo
Scripps Staff Writer

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Japanese exchange students test out a Cal Poly education

By Jessica Yumada

Is Cal Poly more rigorous than schools in Japan? Students in Japan are reputed to have intense academic curriculums that put tremendous pressure on students. However, Japanese exchange students on campus said they are studying more at Cal Poly than they ever did at Japanese universities.

"They study hard," 28-year-old Hiroshi Motohashi said about Cal Poly students. "Japanese college students don't study a lot, only before final exams."

Delmar Dingus, a soil science professor and the director of the International Agriculture Development Program, said academics in Japan are emphasized in elementary, junior high and high schools.

He said once a student in Japan passes a college entrance exam, it's downhill from there. "When they get in, they are virtually guaranteed to graduate," Dingus said. "University time is for growing socially and emotionally."

Motohashi and six other men ages 22 to 28 are studying at Cal Poly for six weeks as part of a two-year internship program sponsored by the Japanese Agriculture Exchange Council in Seattle.

"The purpose of the program is to provide academic and cultural studies for Cal Poly and international students," Dingus said.

The students, who are living with local families, are enrolled in four courses at Cal Poly: English conversation, farm management, fruit production and computers. They also have the option to take up to two other courses of their choice.

Motohashi said he liked Cal Poly because of the land area available for agriculture students to experiment with and the facilities available to get hands-on experience.

"We just don't have enough land in Japan," Motohashi said.

The students are also helping other Cal Poly students who are studying the Japanese language.

Yoshiko Tachibana, a Japanese language instructor, said the Japanese students come to her class three times a week to help her students in conversation and homework.

One of Tachibana's students, electrical engineering senior Leonard Pimentel, said he enjoys their help.

"It has been beneficial to work on pronunciation. We also get to learn their train of thought and how they communicate," Pimentel said.

Tachibana said it gives the students a chance to interact with each other and to talk about cultural differences.

Before coming to Cal Poly, the students worked on various farms in the Western United States. These experiences, plus their time at Cal Poly, may prove to be beneficial for them.

Agro, a multimillion-dollar seed distributor, wants to hire one of the Japanese students to be its representative in Japan, Dingus said.

"They want to hire someone who has experience in American agriculture and knows English or Spanish," Dingus said.

When they return to Japan, many of the students are planning to work in international farming and be involved in trading ventures with the United States.

Some Cal Poly students also learned about agriculture in a foreign land.

Soil science senior Ben De Liema spent three months in Japan living with a family who grew persimmons, vegetables and rice.

"It was so amazing," De Liema said. "I was in rural Japan living with this family I never met before. My experience was so positive, it really changed my life."

De Liema said he gained a new perspective of agriculture and learned to appreciate the intimate relationship between the land and the farming families and how methods are passed on to the children.

WHEELMEN: Team gears up for championships

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Deception as a fine art

by Kurt Horner

Reporters love to exaggerate. It helps the newsmen sell papers or increase ratings. But it also enables them to advance an agenda, if they desire to do so. The main problem with media bias is not the bias itself. Partisan newspapers used to be very common, and they openly declared their bias. But most news providers make false claims of objectivity, and they use their papers' brand recognition to increase profits and win awards. But it also enables them to advance an agenda, if they desire to do so. The main problem with media bias is not the bias itself.

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Leading us to the "Truth"

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Story splicing

If you compare newspapers, you will often find papers (usually in big cities) that cut up AP wire reports to "make room for other items." These con¬

venientes often remove critical information that suits a political bias (usually left-wing). The excuse of space requirements is bogus. If you really expect to believe what you read in the newspapers, you are a "convenient new study." President Clinton "says" things, Republicans "claim" things.

"Racist"

The media love to chum out apologies for their policy views. Remember how Randy Weaver was always introduced as "white separatist Randy Weaver?" Mr. Weaver's old views are supposed to excuse the fact the FBI killed a wife and child because of a farright violation and a failure to appear in court. Rep. Barney Frank was found in bed with a prostitute, but nobody heard about it because the prostitute was male. You see, Mr. Frank happens to be gay, which somehow exem¬

Goliath

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still on tiptoe

by Peggy Curtin

I began this quarter with a word from the world of the vertically challenged, so I thought it only fitting to end it with one.

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As an incredible season concludes, Head Coach Jeff Schneider and the team are working toward another year. Next stop: The Big West.
By Tom Weir
LEXINGTON, Ky. — Separated by an hour's worth of bluegrass- lined highways on Saturday, the nation's No. 1 and 2-ranked college basketball teams found the finishing touches on their once- beloved regular season Saturday.

And though they will be the NCAA tournament favorites, Kentucky and Massachusetts are taking distinctly different paths into the postseason.

No. 21 team should be described as reeling, but that tag nearly fits No. 2 Massachusetts. In their last three games, the Minutemen lost to Washington State, were dragged into overtime by St. Joseph's and then barely survived Saturday's 62-59 whitewash.

Normally, Massachusetts would owe an apology for being a top-20 team that was being urged on by a record 20,076 vocal fans at Freedom Hall. But if the Minutemen truly are bound for the Final Four in Louisville, they shouldn't have struggled on a day when two of the Wolfpack's best shooters were two and 10 Massachusetts-owned the boards, 41-29.

No. 1 Kentucky, meanwhile, became the first Southeastern Conference team in 40 years to go undefeated in league play. With a 101-63 rout of Vanderbilt, Kentucky ran its average victory margin in SEC games to a whopping 24.2 points.

After just 2:32, the 26-1 Wildcats were up 23-0 and had seen Walter McCarty realize his fantasy of putting a 300-degree spin on a dunk in front of 24,257 fans at Rupp Arena.

So where does this leave Nos. 1 and 2 as conference tournaments approach?

Right about here:

The size factor: After losing to Massachusetts in November as 6-foot-11 Marcus Camby scored 32 points, the rap was the Wildcats couldn't handle the big man. Since then, 6-11 Erick Dampier of Mississippi State and 7-0 Steve Hamer of Tennessee panned little problem. As for Kentucky, teams are starting to learn that while you can't shoot over him (five blocks against Louisville), you have a shot at going through him, as Louisville's Kyle Walker proved a couple of times.

Trendytooshoot: Mass in 1990-91 season. UConn connected on five of eight 3-point shots from the field and committed 23 turnovers in 84-68 win over Kentucky.

Kentucky has more overall talent than Massachusetts. Calipari says, "Right now what I'm seeing is that we're getting to be ready for physical games in the tournament, and that's what we'll go back and work on." Too much too little depth? As Kentucky coach Rick Pitino says of his 10-deep team, "So many players thought we were going to self-destruct because we had so much talent," and there would be resentment over playing time. But even Jeff Sheppard, a starter last season and a reserve this year, has been all smiles.

Calipari is tired of hearing that eight bodies below him. He notes that television time-outs during the NCAA tournament last an average of five minutes and 50 seconds and says, "I think we're going to be fresher than we've been all year.

Blowouts or nail-biters?: Kentucky never trudled in the second half of an SEC game, and had only one single-digit victory, against Georgia. Pitino dismisses talk of Kentucky not being game-ready as fill-time chatter for commentators.

In keeping with its "Refuse to Lose" slogan, four Mass tournament victories have gone to overtime.

Deep down inside, it's when crunch time comes we get instilled in our minds that we'll find a way to pull it out," says Camby.

Nerves: Pitino is unhappy about a Sports Illustrated cover story that portrayed him as over-the-hill glamour shot. The view from outside: Louisville coach Denny Crum has lost to Kentucky in Massachusetts. He says, "I think Kentucky has more overall talent and depth, and probably more size, but they're both good teams. We probably judge people so badly, it's kind of tough to say how good they are."
A coach's work is never finished. Just when you thought Cal Poly men's basketball Coach Jeff Schneider would kick off his polished loafers and pull the handle on his La-z-boy to watch some March Madness on television, the coach is hitting the road again. It's time to sell Cal Poly.

And with the kind of season that the Mustangs just completed, Schneider doesn't think that's going to be too tough. He's got it all planned out. The signing frenzy of new players begins in the middle of April, just in time for prospective students to get a glimpse of Cal Poly during Open House weekend. Take them to the beach just for good measure, introduce them to the rest of the team and they're all his.

It worked last year. Six of the seven prospective students who Schneider brought to Cal Poly signed a letter of intent. "I don't want to just sit back and rest," Schneider said. "We need to continue to build." Schneider will leave Wednesday on a crusade and Utah to start going down south. Maybaba next year?

His ideal prospect? Probably a 7-foot-8, 500 pounder with an incredible game beyond the three-point line. But the chances aren't too good that anyone is going to find this mythical creature.

But if anyone could do it, it would be Schneider. The coach has built a reputation throughout the country from his work at Tulsa and Washington State for his ability to snag great recruits.

"I was fortunate enough to be in some programs where we recruited well and established some good contacts," Schneider said. The coach will look to recruit three new players for the upcoming season, and Schneider hopes to find some big boys to help the team under the basket with rebounding. Schneider won't have to look very far for one big guy.

Freshman Russ Bryan, who redshirted for the Mustangs this season, will be a huge help next season, according to the coach. Schneider said that the only thing that kept the 6-9, 225 pound freshman from suiting up this season was senior David Stemlight's performance as a walk-on.

"Russ will be better as a fifth-year senior than a first-year freshman," Schneider said.

The coach also has high hopes for freshman Joe Ketcham, who stepped out of the shadows of Mission Prep High School to give the team a big player who can shoot from the outside.

"I really like to have the big man who can shoot the three," Schneider said of Ketcham. "(He'll just get bigger and stronger.)"

Another area of focus for Schneider was to find a second point-guard to help out freshman Ben Larson.

Schneider found his man last August. Schneider signed Mitch Ohnstad, of Faribault, Minn. on Nov. 10, the early-signing deadline. "He's a player I'm really glad we got early," Schneider said. The 6-2, 180-pound point guard, who says he patterns his game after Minnesota history. Ohnstad, of Faribault, Minn, is the third all-time leading scorer in Minnesota history.

That will make two soft-sports, midwestern point guards for the Mustangs.

"He'll make an immediate impact," Schneider said of Ohnstad. "He will be a strong candidate for newcomer of the year in the Big West."

Ohnstad had narrowed his choices down to Iowa State, Michigan State, Montana State, St. Mary's and Cal Poly. Ohnstad said that he was drawn to Cal Poly because of Schneider's enthusiasm about the program. He was sold when he came to visit in November to check out the campus and meet the team.

"He seemed really enthusiastic with the direction," Ohnstad said of Schneider. "He felt he could turn them into winners. I liked everything."

Ohnstad averaged 27 points per game during his junior year and shot 40 percent from the three-point line. He had been keeping up with Cal Poly's progress as much as he could from his home 40 minutes south of the Twin Cities, but he has kept his mind on his high school team, which has a 23-1 record heading into the state playoffs.

Ohnstad said that Schneider's youthful demeanor helps the coach relate better to the students he's trying to recruit than older coaches.

"Being a former player himself, he knows what the players are like today," Ohnstad said. Back at home, Schneider plans to send the team to the weight room this spring and summer. The players aren't expecting much of a rest.

"We're going to try to work really hard in the weight room," freshman guard Ben Larson said, who's looking to put on a couple of pounds during the off-season. Schneider isn't looking to fatten his prized point-guard too much, because he said Larson's strength is in his small size and quickness.

Schneider said that bulk will be the key word for many of the other returning players, however.

Meanwhile, Schneider will be out making phone calls, visiting homes, and leading some private campus tours. This year's recruiting strategy won't be the blind shot-in-the-dark method Schneider said he had to use last year.

"I didn't know how some of our players would perform," the coach said of his first year finding players. "I know what our needs are now. We'll be very selective."

With a 16-13 season record to boast rather than a 1-26 record, Schneider is confident those needs will be filled quickly.

Seeing the lane: Junior guard Shanta Cottright makes his base-line move.

Maybe next year: Freshman Steve Fleming consoles teammate Ben Larson after Cal Poly's loss to Southern Utah. The Mustangs will compete for the Big West title next year.
Lewis falling behind

By JILL LIEBER

ATLANTA - When Carl Lewis finished last in his opening heat of the 60-meter dash Saturday at the USA/Mobil Indoor Track and Field Championships at the Georgia Dome, some members of the media suggested the impending interview with Lewis would be his retirement party.

At 34 and in his 14th season on the world-class track scene, Lewis is on the downside of his brilliant career and, seemingly, fading fast.

Once the world's fastest man, having set a world record in the 100 meters (.986) at the 1991 World Championships in Tokyo, Lewis hasn't broken 10 seconds or won an important individual sprint title since.

This season has gotten off to a less auspicious start. On Feb. 3, Lewis finished last in the 60-meter dash at the Galilee Furniture Games in Houston in a mediocre time of 6.84. Saturday's time was 6.77.

Although Lewis claims he's committed to making his fourth and final Olympic team, it appears that only he and his closest friends will allow them to achieve.

"No one has been written off more over the course of a career than I have," Lewis says. "There's a reason that certain athletes do great things. Never underestimate the great things their passion will allow them to achieve."

Joe Douglas, Lewis' manager: "I won't be on Carl Lewis in little meets, and I never bet against him in the big ones. Nobody can beat him if he's at his best."

In fact, Lewis, who has run 60 meters indoors three times in his career, only participated in the indoor meets because of contractual obligations to run in them. While he dislikes the format, he was on the road in Bloomington, Ind., to promote his new shoe, "I've never taken the time to get to the bottom of it. Just feeling better makes a huge difference."

Lewis moved out of the outdoor sprint phase of his training program, with his sights set on the Trials in June. He's training for the 100 and 200 meters, and the long jump. He'll compete in two events, but won't say which until the Trials.

"I don't have anything left to prove," Lewis says. "I used to be the Boy Wonder. Now, I'm the grandfather."

The three-time world record holder was once a boy wonder in the world of track, as well as an altar server as a boy, and is now a class act throughout his career.

Kittles needed to play well. He will. His recently announced retirement party.

It's a shame, too. Kittles has been a class act throughout his career.

"I made a mistake," he said. "I'm sorry for the mistake I made. I'm taking full responsibility for my actions. This will have an effect for a very long time. I hope that someday I can regain everybody's trust."

But Kittles was also clear that Villanova didn't hand out a slap on the wrist. They acted firmly.

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BY KELLY CARTER

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BASKETBALL: Game attendance reached 3,214

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A two-game losing streak at the end of the regular season, and the loss to Southern Utah in the AWC Championship game put a damper on the celebrations.

But the positives outweighed the negatives this year for the young Mustang team.

As the Mustangs’ season gained more momentum, the fans also finally appeared.

Attendance at the basketball games began to increase with games early in the season including big-name North Carolina State in December, which pulled more windows in the place.

The overcrowding can only get worse as the Mustangs head into the Big West next year.

RACE: ‘If he doesn’t have it wrapped up, he’s close.’

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The returns looked like this:

In Georgia, with more than half the precincts counted, Dole had 54 percent, Buchanan 34 percent, Alexander 13 and Forbes 11.

The New England states were solid for Dole. He was picking up 47 percent of the vote in Massachusetts, with Buchanan next at 39 percent, Forbes 19. Several cent and Buchanan 19. Several major Dole backers said Buchanan and Forbes were dreaming if they thought they were still in the race.

“It’s over,” said New York Sen. Alfonse D’Amato.

“If he doesn’t have it wrapped up, he’s close,” said Illinois Gov. Jim Edgar. He urged others to keep fighting among themselves.

President Clinton was assured of victory in the Democratic primaries. But Dole, already urging Republicans to unify around his candidacy, suggested Clinton’s tranquility was about to come to an end.

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The 'wins in Massachusetts, Vermont and Connecticut gave Dole 76 delegates from those winner-take-all states, and he was assured of picking up most of the 89 delegates at stake in Georgia, Maryland and Maine.

By the end of Tuesday's contests, Dole was sure to have at least 20 percent of the 900 delegates he needs to wrap up the nomination, far more than his nearest challenger.

Across the states voting Tuesday, Dole cut into Buchanan's core support among religious right, very conservative, low-income and Ross Perot voters. Dole supporters said beating Clinton and his experience in Washington were his most important qualities.

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WOMEN: Guard Kellie Hoffman ended her career with 1,033 points

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against the division II ranked Cal State San Bernardino. Shooting 54 percent from the floor, Cal Poly beat the Coyotes 49-27 for the Mustang’s fifth and final win of the season.

Hoffman said one of the biggest team accomplishments was sticking together during a long season. However, they had hoped for a better record.

“We made it through a rough season,” Hoffman said. “We had expected more in the win-loss column.”

Cal Poly was eliminated in the first round of the AWC tournament held in Northridge last Saturday.

A 76-65 tournament loss to Sacramento was the final straw, as Cal Poly only shot 36 percent from the floor. Booker dismissed the losses as a building point for the Mustang’s future seasons.

“I think this year was a good year as far as laying the foundation of hard work,” Booker said.

“arid the direction that we want to go in.”

“Philosophy wise, the players understand now more as far as what the coaches mean in terms of hard work ethic.”

Taylor also agreed that this was a learning season for the players with the adjustments to the new coach.

“It was a difficult transition,” he said. “We didn’t have a chance to play together over the summer, that is why it took late in the season to come together.”

Although the team record wasn’t excellent, some players performances were

Hoffman scored her way into the record books, making her the fourth all-time scorer at Cal Poly with 1,963 points. Named AWC player of the week twice, Hoffman was also named to the AWC first team.

Joining her on the all-conference team is Carrillo and senior center Sherron Lee who were both named to second-team. Named to the honorable mention were Garrett and sophomores for wards Roni Rivers.

Overall, the Mustangs shot 39 percent from the floor and grabbed an average of 39 rebounds a game.

Seniors Hoffman, Lee, Taylor and forward Katie Bauer will all be leaving the team, three of whom started most games.

New recruits for Cal Poly begins competition in the Big West. Coach Booker, hoping to make a positive introduction next season, is adding seven new recruits to the roster.

“We are looking at junior college players that are ready to step in,” Booker said. “We need immediate impact players.”

The disappointment of this season is starting to be overshadowed by the hope of next season. New recruits and veterans will compose the team that will face off the Big West next year.

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SPORTS

Cal Poly's men's basketball team pulled together to become one of the most improved teams in NCAA history this season. Daily photo by Dawn Kalmar

By Mark Armstrong

July 17, 1996

Who would have thought it possible?

A couple local columnists couldn't fathom it. And it took a few games to make believers out of the fans at Cal Poly.

But it happened.

The men's basketball team emerged from the basement of Division I to triumph over the American West Conference and bring Cal Poly national attention for improving a 1-26 record to a much more respectable 16-13. The honors continued Monday.

Cal Poly Head Coach Jeff Schneider was named AWC Coach of the Year, and freshman point guard Ben Larson earned the AWC's Most Valuable Player award and Freshman of the Year.

Schneider was practically a no-brainer for the coaching award. Every coach who had to face the high-speed offense and full-court press the first-year coach installed praised his accomplishment.

Coaches on opposing teams echoed the same congratulatory remarks for Schneider's work with a team that, one year ago, ended its dismal season with a huge thud.

Cal Poly guard Ben Larson was named American West Conference Most Valuable Player and Freshman of the Year / Daily photo by Dawn Kalmar

He deserved it just as much. Cotright was named to the AWC first team.

Cotright led the AWC in scoring, averaging 16.8 points per game during the season.

"Ben had a great year," Schneider said of his freshman MVP honor, "and Shanta was a strong candidate for the honor also."

The coach said Larson and Cotright were possibly the best two players in the league this season, and he is comforted by one major detail.

"I'm really glad they're returning," Schneider said. Other members of the team were also honored with junior Damien Levangue nabbing second-team honors, while junior Colin Bryant was named on the third team.

With all of the honors, Cal Poly finally found an uplifting note to end the season.

For more on Cal Poly's honors, see BASKETBALL page 5.

Cal Poly reflects on losing season

By Teresa Galardi

Cal Poly's bench was the final seconds of women's basketball's last home game ticked down to another loss. This look became familiar to fans during Cal Poly's unsuccessful season ending in a 5-22 (2-4 AWC) record and a third-place finish in the American West Conference.

A new coach, few new recruits and lack of team togetherness were some of the medley of problems that plagued the team throughout the season.

Senior center Nicole Taylor blamed the losing season on lack of consistency in team playing.

"We would have times where we would play great as a team and everyone was clicking with each other," Taylor said. "That takes time to progress and a lot of us didn't have time to play together over the summer."

"That is why it took late in the season to come together."

Cal Poly lost the first 10 games of the season before picking up its first win against Wyoming in late December.

The win - 67-51 over Wyoming - earned junior forward Ava Garrett a then career-high 16 points.

In a game partially won by Cal Poly's rebounding skills, Coach Karen Booker cited Wyoming as one of the team highlights of the season.

"The Wyoming game is probably one of the best games of the year," Booker said.

The Wyoming game wasn't the start of a winning streak, however. The next five, games later, came against Cal Baptist, a NAIA conference team. Cal Poly ended with a 67-53 win and a new school record of 15 assists for sophomore guard Christina Carrillo.

The first AWC game was a loss to the Northridge Matadors, 63-56. The loss was emotional and unexpected, and the Mustangs responded with a win over the Matadors later in the season with a 75-40 win.

The first AWC win came in the Sacramento Hornets gym with Cal Poly shooting 53 percent to defeat the Hornets 80-69. Senior guard Kellie Hofman shot her game-high of 23 points and grabbed nine rebounds.

Taylor said that the Sacramento game was a game where everyone pulled together for the win.

"The best highlight of the season was when we beat Sacramento State," Taylor said. "We were really pumped up and everybody played well.

The Mustangs kept hopes high, but shooting percentages low, and only picked up one more win in the season...