

# VANDALS SPLIT TWO IN OREGON

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University of Idaho Men's Lacrosse

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**Weekend Score(s):** Idaho 10, Oregon State (PNCLL Div. I-A) 11, OT  
Idaho 9, Portland State (PNCLL Div. I-AA) 8.

**Record:** Divisional 1-0, Overall 2-1

**Next game(s):** @ Claremont College –March 15, 1 pm PST  
@ San Diego State University - March 17, 7 pm PST  
@ University of San Diego –March 19, 7 pm PST

March 2, 2010

Moscow, ID – University of Idaho Men's Lacrosse continued its 2010 season last weekend, traveling to Oregon to take on the Oregon State University Beavers and the Vikings of Portland State University.



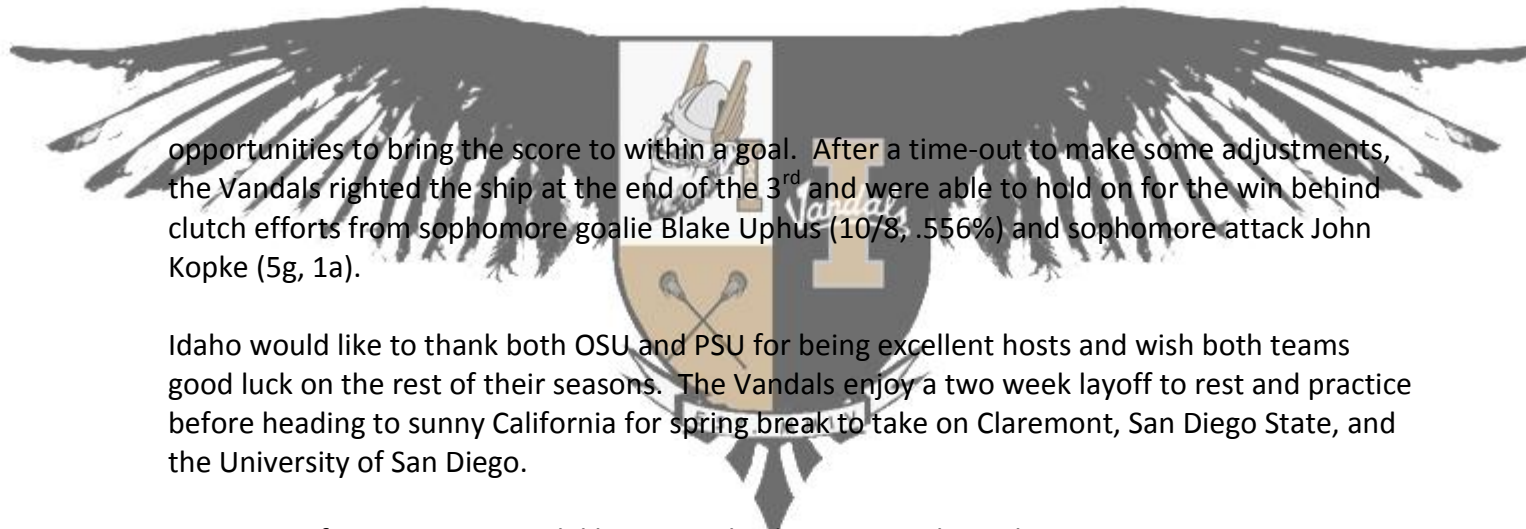
Junior Attack Eric Fletcher reclaiming the ball.

Idaho kicked off its weekend at Oregon State under the lights of Reser Stadium. Idaho came out hot and jumped to a quick 2-0 advantage. The 2<sup>nd</sup> goal, however, was called back when it was determined that freshman attack Kyle Morse's head had become illegally narrow. During the course of the ensuing 3-minute penalty, the Beavers tied the match and then found the back of the net again in the aftermath to take a 2-1 lead. Oregon State extended its lead and took a 5-3 lead into the half. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, Idaho clawed back and tied the game late in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to send it into overtime. In OT, however, Oregon State won the draw and ended the Vandals' upset bid with an unassisted goal by OSU attackman Cooper McCabe.

The next day at Portland State, the Vandals were determined not to come out flat. After letting a much-improved and very classy Viking squad jump to a 2-0 lead in the first, Idaho got into gear and notched 6 unanswered points to go up 6-2. Just as it seemed Idaho was going to run away with it, PSU jolted to life and notched one before the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> frame to send the game into halftime 6-3 in favor of Idaho. The Vikings had the momentum coming out of the half and fought back hard in the 3<sup>rd</sup>, taking advantage of some EMO



Sophomore attack John Kopke driving to the cage.



opportunities to bring the score to within a goal. After a time-out to make some adjustments, the Vandals righted the ship at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and were able to hold on for the win behind clutch efforts from sophomore goalie Blake Uphus (10/8, .556%) and sophomore attack John Kopke (5g, 1a).

Idaho would like to thank both OSU and PSU for being excellent hosts and wish both teams good luck on the rest of their seasons. The Vandals enjoy a two week layoff to rest and practice before heading to sunny California for spring break to take on Claremont, San Diego State, and the University of San Diego.

For more information on Vandal lacrosse, check us out on the web at <http://www.vandalax.com>

<b>@ OSU SCORE BY QUARTER</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Total</b>
Idaho	2	1	5	2	0	<b>10</b>
Oregon State	3	2	4	1	1	<b>11</b>

<b>@ PSU SCORE BY QUARTER</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Total</b>
Idaho	2	4	1	2	<b>9</b>
Portland State	2	1	2	3	<b>8</b>

#### NOTES

- Freshman midfield/defense Dugan McDermott (Bainbridge Island, WA / Bainbridge High School) scored his first collegiate point against Portland State.
- Freshmen Charlie Cornforth (Nampa, ID / Vallivue High School) and Mykeal Wheeler (Boise, ID / Centennial High School) all played their first collegiate minutes against Oregon State.
- Freshman Ben Kopke (Couer D'Alene, ID / Lake City High School) notched his first minutes and his first career points (an assist to senior midfield Krieg Shaw) in the victory against Portland State.