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2002-03 San Diego State University WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

2002-03 Schedule/Times

N. 8	Basketball Travelers (Exh.)	W, 72-65
N. 18	West Coast All-Stars (Exh.)	L, 70-74
N. 22	Centenary	W, 75-58
N. 25	at St. Mary's	L, 47-60
N. 29-30	at Fresno State Classic (Fresno, Calif.)	
29	vs. Murray State#	W, 59-54
30	at Fresno State	L, 49-59
D. 4	UC Irvine	L, 58-61 OT
D. 11	at Univ. of San Diego	L, 53-72
D. 19	American University	W, 62-45
D. 22	Creighton	2:05 p.m.
D. 28	Cal State Northridge	2:05 p.m.
J. 5	Univ. of Missouri-K.C.	2:05 p.m.
J. 9	at Portland State	7:05 p.m.
J. 11	at Sacramento State	2:00 p.m.
J. 18	UNLV*	5:05 p.m.
J. 23	Brigham Young*	7:05 p.m.
J. 25	Utah*	5:05 p.m.
J. 30	at New Mexico*	7:00 p.m.
F. 1	at Air Force*	2:00 p.m.
F. 6	Colorado State*	7:05 p.m.
F. 8	Wyoming*	5:05 p.m.
F. 15	at UNLV*	7:35 p.m.
F. 20	at Utah*	7:00 p.m.
F. 22	at Brigham Young*	1:00 p.m.
F. 27	Air Force*	7:05 p.m.
M. 1	New Mexico*	5:05 p.m.
M. 5	at Wyoming*	7:00 p.m.
M. 7	at Colorado State*	7:00 p.m.
M. 12-15	MWC Championship	TBA

All times local to site Home Games in **BOLD**
 Home games at Cox Arena except where noted
 # at Fresno State, Fresno, Calif.

Aztecs' Agenda

December 21 • Saturday
 Practice 10 a.m. - TBA Cox Arena

December 22 • Sunday
 Shoot around 9 a.m.-10 a.m. Cox Arena

December 23 • Monday
 Off

December 24 • Tuesday
 Off

December 25 • Wednesday
 Off

December 26 • Thursday
 Practice TBA Cox Arena

Up Next: Game No. 9

vs. CSU Northridge
 Saturday, Dec. 28 - 2:05 p.m.
 Cox Arena (12,414) - San Diego, CA
 Series: SDSU leads 7-1

Game No. **8**

(rv) Creighton University Bluejays (6-2) at SAN DIEGO STATE Aztecs (3-4)

► **When & Where:** Sunday, Dec. 19, 2002, Cox Arena (12,414), San Diego, Calif., 2:05 p.m. (PST).

► **Webcast/TV:** Live audio broadcast on www.goaztecs.com, with Bill Earley and Dan Lawton.

► **The Records:** The Aztecs (3-4) are looking to put together a two-game winning streak for the first time this season, after defeating American University Thursday, 62-45, at Cox Arena. Creighton (6-2), meanwhile, has won four straight and six of their last seven, including a victory Friday at UC Irvine, 80-57.

► **In The RPI:** In the fourth RPI rankings released by the WBCA through games of December 18, SDSU is currently 258th, while Creighton is No. 16.

► **SDSU Head Coach Jim Tomey:** Tomey (Michigan '81) is in his first season at San Diego State, taking over the Aztec helm on April 9, 2002. His career and Aztec head coaching record is 3-4.

► **Creighton Head Coach Jim Flanery:** Flanery (Creighton, '87) is also in his first season after serving as an assistant for the Bluejays for the past 10 years. Flanery's career head coaching record is 6-2.

► **Series History:** Creighton leads 7-0 (Last: Creighton def. SDSU, 66-55 on Dec. 22 at Creighton)

San Diego State Faces A Tough Test Against Creighton Sunday

Playing its second game in the past four days, the San Diego State women's basketball team (3-4) will look even its record when it plays host to non-conference foe Creighton Sunday at Cox Arena. SDSU ended a three-game losing skid with a convincing 62-45 win over American University Thursday evening, leading from start to finish, while Creighton (6-2) is coming off a victory at UC Irvine on Friday.

The Bluejays lead the all-time series between the two schools with a perfect 7-0 record, including a 66-55 win in Omaha last season.

Home For The Holidays

San Diego State is in the midst of playing a six-game stretch all in the city of San Diego. The stay includes five home games and one away game at the University of San Diego (Dec. 11). In all, the Aztecs will remain in San Diego for 35 straight days before heading on its final non-conference road trip to Portland State and Sacramento State, Jan. 9-11.

The team's first three Mountain West Conference games are also at Cox Arena, leaving SDSU with six of its next 10 games in San Diego.

Last Time Out - Aztecs Show-Off Balanced Attack In Win Over American, 62-45:

In the first-ever meeting between the two schools, the San Diego State women's basketball team defeated the

2002-03 San Diego State Aztecs Roster (3-4/0-0 MWC)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)	PPG	RPG	Individual Player Note
00	Tynisha King	F	5-10	Sr.	Moreno Valley (UNC Asheville)	2.0	2.5	► Career high 5 rebs. vs. USD
4	Ashley White	F	6-1	Fr.	Chino Hills (Ayala HS)	0.0	0.0	► 1st career game vs. USD
5	Michelle Strawberry	G	5-10	Fr.	Corona (Centennial HS)	-	-	► Will not play vs. Creighton
10	Ashonda Williams	F	6-0	Sr.	Crockett (Contra Costa CC)	5.7	2.6	► 15 pts., 1st start vs. AU
14	Heather Wolf	G	5-6	So.	Stayton, Ore. (Regis HS)	1.9	3.0a	► 8 assists versus American
20	Jamey Cox	G	5-7	Sr.	Waterloo, Iowa (West HS)	15.3	2.1	► Three games w/20+ pts.
21	Veronica Shaw	G	5-7	Fr.	Phoenix, Ariz. (Mt. Pointe HS)	4.6	2.0	► Scored 10 in first career gm.
23	Amber Fouse	G	5-7	Fr.	Compton (Narbonne HS)	4.0	3.9a	► 7 assists in opener
24	Nicolette McCartney	C/F	6-2	Jr.	Chicago, Ill. (Hersey HS)	8.6	6.1	► 1st double-double vs. AU
33	Maggie Sauls	G	5-9	So.	Borger, Texas (Borger HS)	-	-	► Recovering from knee surgery
34	Valencia Howard	F	6-1	Sr.	Richmond (Contra Costa CC)	6.4	5.8	► Missed last two games
35	Ashlee Dunlap	F	6-1	Fr.	Los Angeles (Fairfax HS)	11.3	9.6	► 4 double-doubles in 7 games
42	Tami Garnett	C	6-3	Fr.	Arlington, Texas (Sam Houston HS)	0.0	1.0	► First action vs. Fresno State
50	Megan Bryant	C	6-3	Fr.	Austin, Texas (Westlake HS)	0.0	1.0	► 1st career game vs. USD
52	Andrea Kiesling	C	6-3	Sr.	Helena, Mont. (Helena HS)	1.1	2.1	► career-best 23 min. vs. USD

Head Coach: Jim Tomey (Michigan, 1981), first season

Projected Starting Line-up Highlighted

Assistant Coaches: Matt Hart (Long Beach St., 1992), Nicole Anderson (UCLA, 1993), Jennifer Gross (UC Davis, 1997)



San Diego State
Head Coach Jim Tomey
First Season (Michigan, 1981)

- Univ. of San Diego High School Boys' Head Coach
San Diego State Men's Assistant Coach
San Diego State Women's Head Coach
SDSU Head Coach
Overall Total

Creighton at SDSU
Series: Creighton leads, 7-0

Series Numbers

Table with 2 columns: Record at SDSU, Record at CU, Record at Neutral, Most Points SDSU, Most Points CU, Largest Margin SDSU, Largest Margin CU, Longest SDSU Win Streak, Longest CU Win Streak, Current Streak

2002-03 Comparative Stats

As of Dec. 21, 2002

Table comparing Aztecs and Bluejays stats: Overall Record, League Record, Field Goal Pct., 3-PT FG Pct., Free Throw Pct., Opp. FG Pct., Opp. 3-PT FG Pct., Opp. FT Pct., Rebound Avg., Rebound Margin, Points/Game, Pts. Allowed/Game

All-Time Series

Table with 3 columns: Date, Site, Result. Lists game dates and locations from 1-25-91 to 12-22-01.



American Eagles, 62-45, Thursday night at Cox Arena. With the win, the Aztecs snapped a three-game losing streak and improved to 3-4 on the season.

Forward Ashlee Dunlap (Los Angeles, Calif.) led the Aztecs with a career-high 18 rebounds, the most by a Mountain West Conference player this season.

Dunlap was helped by junior Nicolette McCartney (Chicago, Ill.), who posted her first career double-double with 13 boards and 11 points.

The Aztecs took the early lead in the game, holding the Eagles to just two points in the first five minutes of action. Senior Ashonda Williams (Crockett, Calif.) making her first start of the season.

McCartney then took over the scoring duties, adding to the team's lead with two field goals and a free throw, advancing the lead to 10 points at 12-2.

With just under 10 minutes remaining in the first half, San Diego State scored eight unanswered points, capped by a Dunlap lay-up that gave the Aztecs a 15-point advantage, 26-11.

SDSU would later lead by as many as 17 points in the first half, before heading into the locker room up by 14 at 32-18.

After shooting 39.4 percent in the first half, the Aztec offense went cold early in the second as it took nearly seven minutes before SDSU would add to its lead when senior Jamey Cox (Waterloo, Iowa) buried a three-pointer at 13:04.

Despite the early scoring drought, the Aztecs held on to their lead, never allowing American to come as close as six points, eventually winning, 62-45.

San Diego State 62, American 45
Game 7 ■ Dec. 19 ■ Cox Arena ■ San Diego, Calif.

Statistical table for the game, including FG, 3FG, FT, REB, F, TP, A, I, B, S, MP for both teams and totals.

Statistical table for individual players, including Williams, Dunlap, McCartney, Wolf, Cox, Shaw, Fouse, Kiesling, Team, and totals.

Officials: Thomas Dubas, Anita Ortega, Michelle Russi
Technical fouls: 1 (SDSU Bench)
Attendance: 398

Score by Periods table showing 1st, 2nd, and Total scores for American University and San Diego State.

Other American Game Notes: The Aztecs won both halves of a game and never trailed in a game for the first time this season ... senior Ashonda Williams made her first start of the season, after doing so 22 times a year ago ...

Double-Double Their Pleasure

Aztec forward Ashlee Dunlap continues to be a double-double machine, posting her fourth this season with a 17-point, 18-rebound performance against American University.

- Dunlap: Leads the Mountain West Conference in the double-double category, two more than her nearest competitor ... has a double-double in each of the team's three home games ...

- McCartney: Had 11 points and 13 rebounds against American for her first double-double of her career.
- Howard: Her 13-point, 10-rebound performance against Fresno State helped her earn all-tournament honors.
- As a team: Lead the MWC in double-doubles (6) with runner-up BYU tallying four ...

On The Boards

SDSU has begun to improve in the rebounding category, which has plagued the team in recent years. Currently, the Aztecs are second in the MWC in offensive rebounds per game (14.29) and fourth on the defensive side (24.00).

Freshman Ashlee Dunlap has led the team in rebounds four times, including a career-best 18 versus American. The 18 boards are most by a Mountain West Conference player this season, most ever by a MWC freshman and tied for second in conference history behind UNLV's Linda Frohlich, who grabbed a record 22 versus SDSU on Jan. 29, 2000.

Overall, an SDSU player has reached double-figures in rebounding six times this season, matching the team's season total from a year ago. Incidentally, the six times an Aztec has reached double-figures in rebounding, they have also done so in scoring.

40-Minute Girls

Senior Jamey Cox isn't the only Aztec to have played all 40 minutes in a game this season, as Nicolette McCartney did so for the first time in her career in the team's win over American University.

Creighton University Blue Jays (6-2)

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown/Last School
0	Jen Rochelle	So.	F	5-11	Council Bluffs, Iowa (St. Albert)
2	Sarah Vrbicky	So.	G	5-6	Norfolk, Neb. (Norfolk Catholic)
3	Kristi Woodard	Fr.	G	5-10	Bellevue, Neb. (West)
4	Christy Erickson	Fr.	F	6-1	Wayzata, Minn. (Wayzata)
5	Krystle Campa	So.	G	5-7	Cottage Grove, Minn. (Woodbury)
11	Brandy Bush	Fr.	G	5-9	Kansas City, Mo. (Lincoln College Prep)
20	Laura Ferguson	So.	G	5-6	Omaha, Neb. (Millard West)
21	Laura Spanheimer*	So.	G	5-9	Omaha, Neb. (Marian)
22	Christy Neneman *	Jr.	G	5-10	Omaha, Neb. (North)
23	Dayna Finch*	Jr.	G	5-6	Smith Center, Kan. (Smith Center)
32	Codi Walker	So.	G	5-10	Springfield, Mo. (Kickapoo)
33	Angie Janis	Fr.	F	6-0	Omaha, Neb. (Millard North)
40	Amy Hoffman	Fr.	C	6-3	Carroll, Iowa (Kuemper)
42	Sara Hildebrand	Jr.	F	6-1	Norwalk, Iowa (Norwalk)
43	Teresa Wessling*	Sr.	F	6-0	Bayard, Iowa (Guthrie Center)
52	Jenny Burns*	Sr.	F	5-11	Minnetonka, Minn. (Minnetonka)

Head Coach: Jim Flanery (Creighton '87, first season) * = Probable starters
Assistant Coaches: Jennifer Guillard (Montana State '94, 5th season), Holly Borchers (Creighton '97, 1st season)
 Jarrod Olson (Doane '97, 1st season)

McCartny's 40 minutes of playing time is seven minutes more than her previous career best of 33, which she logged in her final game as a freshman at the 2001 MWC tournament versus New Mexico. In fact, McCartney had only reached the 30-minute mark in a game twice in her career with the other being last season in a loss to Wyoming (30 min.).

Cox, meanwhile, is no stranger to 40 minutes of playing time, logging two such efforts earlier this season in back-to-back games at the Fresno State Classic, the 11th and 12th times she has done so in her career, with the previous 10 times coming during her freshman campaign in 1999-2000. Cox is the only Aztec to average over 30 minutes a game this season.

Scouting the Creighton Blue Jays

Creighton brings a four-game winning streak and a No. 16 RPI ranking to Cox Arena Sunday, looking to stay undefeated in the eight-game all-time series with SDSU. The Bluejays are the first repeat opponent from a year ago for the Aztecs this season, while they are also the first SDSU opponent to be receiving votes in a national poll.

Under first-year head coach Jim Flanery, Creighton has been led this season by junior Christy Neneman's 15.0 points per game and 5.6 rebounds per game. Laura Spanheimer (11.3 ppg.) and Dayna Finch (10.6 ppg.) also average in double-figures, while Teresa Wessling and Jenny Burns have rounded out the team's starting five.

In 2001-02, Creighton finished the season with a 24-7 overall record, falling in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

Flashback: SDSU at Creighton, 2001

Winter finally arrived in the Midwest today as the Omaha area received its first snow storm of the season.

Unfortunately for San Diego State, the cold weather outside didn't effect the local team's shooting touch as Creighton handed the Aztecs a 66-55 loss in front of 1,047 at the Omaha Civic Auditorium.

Claire Swinbank scored 13 points and Atim Otii recorded her third double-double of the season with 12 points and a game-high 12 rebounds as the SDSU (5-5) gave a Blue Jay squad that has already faced four top-25 opponents this season all it wanted.

Creighton led by as many as 15 points with seven minutes to play before the Aztecs cut the Blue Jays' advantage to six points at the 3:30 mark. But that would be as close as the Aztecs would get as Creighton scored 10 of the contest's final 15 points, including four points from Christy Neneman, who led all scorers with 18 points.

Creighton 66, SDSU 55												
Game 10 ■ Dec. 22, 2001 ■ Civic Center ■ Omaha, Neb.												
SDSU	FG	3FG	FT	REB	F	TP	A	I	B	S	MP	
Schomaker	2-9	1-4	0-0	4	1	5	3	2	0	0	31	
Otii	4-15	0-0	4-4	12	2	12	1	0	2	1	36	
McCartny	3-4	0-0	0-0	8	3	6	1	3	0	0	12	
Swinbank	6-15	0-0	1-2	6	3	13	4	4	0	1	39	
Cox	2-6	1-3	2-3	4	4	7	3	5	0	1	38	
Williams	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	13	
Howard	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	6	
Knight	2-7	0-0	5-6	7	2	9	3	0	0	2	22	
Vargas	0-0	0-0	1-2	1	3	1	0	1	0	0	3	
Team				2								
TOTALS	20-58	2-7	13-17	45	20	55	15	17	2	5	200	
Pct.	34.5	28.6	76.5									
Creighton	FG	3FG	FT	REB	F	TP	A	I	B	S	MP	
Burns	1-3	0-0	0-0	4	0	2	1	1	0	0	23	
Hover	1-2	0-0	3-5	0	3	5	0	2	0	0	16	
Spanheimer	3-9	2-6	3-4	4	3	11	1	0	1	3	34	
Neneman	7-10	0-1	4-8	8	4	18	2	1	0	3	28	
Jones	0-5	0-1	0-0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	
Cizek	2-2	0-0	3-7	3	3	7	1	1	0	0	17	
Ferguson	0-3	0-1	0-0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	10	
Finch	2-4	2-3	2-2	3	1	8	2	0	0	2	22	
Walker	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	7	
Wessling	7-16	0-0	1-2	6	4	15	1	2	0	1	26	
Team				5								
TOTALS	23-55	4-12	16-28	36	20	66	9	9	1	12	200	
Pct.	41.8	33.3	57.1									
Officials: Steve Steljes, Doug Miller, Lea Morris												
Technical fouls: None.												
Attendance: 1,047												
Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total									
San Diego State	20	35	55									
Creighton	26	40	66									

advantage during the five-game span, including six in each of the last two contests.



Mountain West Conference

2002-03 Standings	MWC	Overall
Utah	0-0	6-1
New Mexico (rv/25)	0-0	8-2
BYU (24 AP/23)	0-0	6-2
UNLV	0-0	6-2
Colorado State (rv)	0-0	5-2
Air Force	0-0	4-2
Wyoming	0-0	5-2
San Diego State	0-0	3-4

As of Dec. 20, 2002 () = rankings

Mountain West Conference Upcoming Schedule

December 22 (Sunday)

Creighton at SDSU, 2:05 p.m.

Arizona at UNLV, 5 p.m.

Wyoming at CSU Northridge, 3 p.m.

December 23 (Monday)

Colorado State at Notre Dame, 1 p.m.

December 28 (Saturday)

CSU Northridge at SDSU, 2:05 p.m.

Sacramento St. at Air Force, 7 p.m.

Stonybrook at Colorado St., 7 p.m.

Utah vs. Miss. State, 6 p.m.

Weber State at Wyoming, 2 p.m.

2002-03 MWC Preseason Media Poll

School (First Place Votes)	Pts
1. BYU (8)	110
2. Colorado State (7)	103
3. New Mexico (1)	91
4. Utah	70
5. UNLV	69
6. Wyoming	49
7. San Diego State	31
8. Air Force	17

SDSU In The MWC Poll

Yr.	Pre.	Final
1999-2000	6th	6th
2000-01	7th	6th
2001-02	7th	7th

2002-03 MWC Preseason All-Conference Team

Jennifer Leitner, Sr., F	BYU
Erin Thorn, Sr., G	BYU
Ashley Augspurger, Sr., F	CSU
Jordan Adams, Sr., C	NMU
Constance Jinks, Sr., G	UNLV
Carrie Bacon, Sr., F	WYO

Top Returning Player: Erin Thorn (BYU)

Top Newcomer: Infini Robinson (UNLV)

Going With The Guards - Line-Up Notes

The Aztecs showed off its fourth different starting line-up of the season against American with guards **Jamey Cox** and **Heather Wolf**, along with forwards **Ashonda Williams**, **Ashlee Dunlap** and **Nicolette McCartney** ... the line-up, which is also probable versus Creighton, includes all four class levels, while four of the five players hail from different states (California, Oregon, Iowa and Illinois) ... senior **Valencia Howard** (right knee strain), sophomore **Maggie Sauls** (left knee) and freshmen **Michelle Strawberry** (right knee) and **Tami Garnett** (exercised-induced migraines) are not expected to suit-up for the game with Creighton.

Blocking Machines

The Aztecs have continued to be blocking machines on defense over the team's last five games. SDSU owns a 29-10



Mountain West Conference Overall Rankings

(As of Dec. 20, 2002)

TEAM CATEGORY	SDSU	RANK
Scoring Offense	57.6	8th
Scoring Defense	58.4	3rd
Scoring Margin	-0.9	7th
Field Goal Pct.	.373	8th
Field Goals Pct. Def.	.379	4th
3-Pt. FG Pct.	.318	7th
3-Pt. FG Pct. Def.	.326	8th
3-Pt. FG Made	4.86	7th
Free Throw Pct.	.534	8th
Rebounding Offense	38.3	3rd
Rebounding Defense	40.9	8th
Rebounding Margin	-2.6	6th
Offensive Rebounds	14.29	2nd
Defensive Rebounds	24.00	4th
Blocked Shots	4.71	1st
Assists	12.57	8th
Assist/Turnover Ratio	0.60	8th
Turnover Margin	1.57	5th
Steals	10.57	2nd

INDIVIDUAL CATEGORY (TOP 12) AVG. Scoring

7. Cox	15.3
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Rebounding

2. Dunlap	9.6
7. McCartney	6.1

Assists Per Game

9. Fouse	3.71
12. Wolf	3.00

Steals Per Game

4. Dunlap	2.71
6. Shaw	2.00
8. McCartney	1.71

3-Point Field Goal Percentage

12. Williams	.375
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3-Point Field Goals Made Per Game

3. Cox	3.14
10. Williams	1.29

Blocked Shots Per Game

2. McCartney	2.00
3. Dunlap	1.71

Offensive Rebounds

2. Dunlap	3.86
3. McCartney	3.29

Assist/Turnover Ratio

4. Wolf	1.75
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Defensive Rebounds

2. Dunlap	5.71
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SDSU had six block shots versus both USD and American after recording nine against UC Irvine, which ties as the most in a game by a MWC team this season. The nine blocks are the most by SDSU since the Aztecs also put up nine versus both Portland (Nov. 20, 1999) and Texas A&M-CC (Jan. 17, 2000).

SDSU leads the Mountain West Conference in the blocks category with 4.71 per game. Individually, junior **Nicolette McCartney** is first on the team with 14 blocks, two short of matching her career season-high of 16, which she recorded as a freshman.

13 More

After hitting a pair of three-point field goals in the win over American, San Diego State senior **Jamey Cox** continues to edge her way toward the school

Aztec Career Record Book

3-Point Field Goals

1. Falisha Wright (1992-95)	206
2. Jamey Cox (2000-Pres.)	194
3. Sophia Sledge (1997-2001)	82
4. Carmelia Bloodsaw (1991)	65
Charley Murray (1998-99)	65
6. Jodi Nowlin-Tres (1994-97)	57
7. Jurate Zukauskaitė (1996-97)	46
8. Ashonda Williams (2002-Pres.)	44
9. Claire Swinbank (1999-2002)	38
10. Elisha Johns (1991-92)	35
Angela Walker (1995-96)	35

Assists

1. Falisha Wright (1992-95)	448
2. Crystal Lee (1989-90)	413
3. Michelle Miles (1991-92)	367
4. Lakeysha Wright (1992-95)	358
5. Marsha Overton (1980-83)	356
6. Jamey Cox (2000-Pres.)	305
7. Shannon Lee (1998-2001)	302
8. Shelda Arceneaux (1984-87)	299
9. Sandy Wright (1995-97)	292
10. Laura Dion (1978-80)	278

field-goal attempts, Cox has taken 66 from beyond the arc.

Cox Reaches A Scoring Milestone

Entering the season needing 69 points to reach the 1,000 career point milestone, Aztec senior **Jamey Cox** accomplished the feat in just four games, doing so with a 23-point performance at Fresno State Nov. 30.

Cox became the 16th Aztec player to reach the 1,000-point mark and the first since Jodi Nowlin-Tres (1994-97). Cox is 15th in career scoring, 51 points behind Jodi Nowlin-Tres, who put up 1,089 from 1994-97.

In The NCAA Rankings

Ranking second in the MWC in three-point field goals made entering this week, SDSU's **Jamey Cox** also appears highly in the NCAA statistics through games of Dec. 16.

Cox was tied for eighth with Rider's Becky Hower and Utah's Kim Smith with 3.3 three-pointers per game, but has since seen her average dip a little to 3.1/g after the win against American Thursday.

Putting Up Some Points

Three times this season, Aztec senior **Jamey Cox** has broken the 20-point barrier, putting up 23 most recently in the tournament championship game at Fresno State.

Cox also had 23 a day earlier versus Murray State, while she opened the season with 26 at home against Centenary. The 26 points versus the Ladies are the most by an Aztec since Cox scored 27 against Colorado State on March 4, 2000.

For her career, Cox has recorded 11 career games with 20 points or more, including her career-best effort of 30 points coming as a freshman on December 30, 1999, against Cal State Fullerton. A year ago, the Aztecs only had one player - Cox - reach the 20-point barrier. Cox scored 20 in the team's 73-69 win over Navy.

Other Season Notes

In the team's opener with Centenary, four Aztec players reached double-figures in scoring. A year ago, SDSU had four players or more reach dou-

2002-03 San Diego State Roster Breakdown

Returning Letterwinners (8)

Jamey Cox, G, 9.8 p, 1.9 r, 4.0 a
Valencia Howard, F 3.8 p, 3.9 r
Andrea Kiesling, C, 1.1 p, 0.7 r
Tynisha King, F, 1.0 p, 0.4 r
Nicolette McCartney, F/C, 3.5 p, 3.1 r
Maggie Sauls, G, 0.7 p, 0.3 r
Ashonda Williams, F, 7.5 p, 4.2 r
Heather Wolf, G, 1.8, 0.7 r

Letterwinners Lost (5)

Atim Otii, F 9.3 p, 5.8 r
Tanisha Knight, F 5.6 p, 3.4 r
Claire Swinbank, G 12.1 p, 4.3 r
Morgan Vargas, C 4.0 p, 2.6 r
Missy Shoemaker, F 3.2 p, 2.2 r

Returning Starters (3)

Jamey Cox, G, 9.8 p, 1.9 r, 4.0 a
Nicolette McCartney, F/C, 3.5 p, 3.1 r
Ashonda Williams, F, 7.5 p, 4.2 r

Starters Lost (2)

Atim Otii, F, 9.3 p, 5.8 r
Claire Swinbank, G, 12.1 p, 4.3 r

Newcomers (7)

Megan Bryant, 6-3, Fr., C
Ashlee Dunlap, 5-11, Fr., F
Amber Fouse, 5-6, Fr., G
Tami Garnett, 6-3, Fr., C
Veronica Shaw, 5-8, Fr., G
Michelle Strawberry, 5-10, Fr., G
Ashley White, 6-1, Fr., F

Class Breakdown

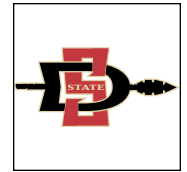
Seniors (5): Cox, Howard, Kiesling, King, Williams
Junior (1): McCartney
Sophomores (2): Sauls, Wolf
Freshmen (7): Bryant, Dunlap, Fouse, Garnett, Shaw, Strawberry, White

Position Breakdown

Forwards (6): Dunlap, Howard, King, McCartney, White, Williams
Centers (4): Bryant, Garnett, Kiesling, McCartney
Guards (6): Cox, Fouse, Sauls, Shaw, Strawberry, Wolfe

Aztecs By Height

6-3 Megan Bryant
Tami Garnett
Andrea Kiesling
6-2 Nicolette McCartney
Ashlee Dunlap
6-1 Valencia Howard
Ashley White
6-0 Ashonda Williams
5-10 Tynisha King
Michelle Strawberry
5-9 Maggie Sauls
5-7 Jamey Cox
Amber Fouse
Veronica Shaw
5-6 Heather Wolf



SDSU Miscellaneous Stats

Largest halftime lead	14, vs. American
Largest halftime deficit	25 at St. Mary's
Most 2nd half points	41 vs. Centenary
Fewest 2nd half points	20 vs. UCI
Largest lead	17, four times
Largest deficit	28, at St. Mary's
Largest lead in a loss	13, vs. UCI
Largest deficit in a win	3, many times
FT % in last 2 min. & OT	.556 (15-27)

SDSU Streaks

Last 5/10 games (incl. 2001-02)	2-3/3-7
Longest winning streak	1
Longest losing streak	3
Current streak	Won 1

SDSU's Record When...

Playing at home	2-1
Playing on the road	0-3
Playing at a neutral site	1-0
Leading at halftime	3-1
Trailing at halftime	0-3
Tied at halftime	0-0
Leading with 5:00 left in regulation	2-0
Trailing with 5:00 left in regulation	1-4
Tied with 5:00 left	0-0
In overtime	0-1
Scoring less than 60 points	1-4
Scoring between 60-69 points	1-0
Scoring between 70-79 points	1-0
Scoring between 80-89 points	0-0
Scoring 90 or more points	0-0
Opponent scores less than 60 points	3-1
Opponent scores 60-69 points	0-2
Opponent scores 70-79 points	0-1
Opponent scores 80-89 points	0-0
Opponent scores 90 or more points	0-0
FG% .500 or better	0-0
FG% under .500	3-4
FG% over .400	2-1
FG% under .400	1-3
Opponent FG% .500 or better	0-0
Opponent FG% under .500	3-4
Opponent FG% .400 or better	0-2
Opponent FG% under .400	3-2
Better shooting %	3-1
Worse shooting %	0-3
More FG attempts	3-2
Fewer FG attempts	0-2
More FGs made	3-1
Fewer FGs made	1-2
More FT attempts	2-1
Fewer FT attempts	1-3
More FTs made	2-0
Fewer FTs made	1-3
More rebounds	2-1
Fewer rebounds	1-3
Equal rebounds	0-0
Fewer turnovers	3-1
More turnovers	0-3
Equal turnovers	0-0
More assists	3-1
Fewer assists	0-3

ble-figures in a game five times, highlighted by the team's win over Radford, in which five players recorded double-figures ... Proving that team work and victories go hand-in-hand, San Diego State had 20 assists in the team's win over Centenary. Four Aztecs had three assists, while freshman **Amber Fouse** contributed a team-best six in her first game at SDSU. On the flip side, Centenary had just eight assists for the game, including only three in the first half ... SDSU seniors **Jamey Cox** and **Valencia Howard** both earned all-tournament honors for their performances at the Fresno State Classic.

A New Crew

On April 9, 2002, **Jim Tomey** was hired as the seventh head coach in program history. A former SDSU men's assistant (1999-2002), Tomey made a name for himself in San Diego as the head coach of boys' prep powerhouse University of San Diego High School from 1989-99. Tomey, who enters his first year as a head coach on the collegiate level, spent the summer putting together a balanced coaching staff, which now includes assistants **Matt Hart, Nicole Anderson** and **Jennifer Gross**.

Other Newbie Coaching Notes

► **Jim Tomey** will look to buck the trend for first-year women's basketball head coaches at San Diego State. Only one of the program's previous six coaches have had winning records in their rookie campaigns. Earnest Riggins (1984-89) led the Aztecs to a 24-6 record in 1983-84.

► SDSU is not the only Mountain West Conference school to have a new head coach at the helm this season. Colorado State's Chris Denker enters his first year in Fort Collins, while two others, Ardie McInelly (Air Force) and Jeff Judkins (BYU), both begin their second seasons.

► Of SDSU's 13 other non-conference opponents, four will feature first-year head coaches. At the Fresno tournament, three of the four teams had first-year head coaches, including Tomey, Butler's Beth Couture and Fresno State's Stacy Johnson-Klein. Creighton (Dec. 22) and CSU Northridge (Dec. 28) also both have first-year head coaches.

Mark It On Your Calendar

This season the Aztecs will stick close to home for almost all of their pre-conference schedule, taking just one trip outside of the Golden State on January 11, at Portland State. Overall, only four of the 12 non-MWC teams appeared on the team's schedule a year ago.

SDSU will play host to 13 home games at Cox Arena, which includes two doubleheader days with the men's team, scheduled for December 28 and January 18.

Aztecs Picked To Finish Seventh In The MWC

For the third consecutive season, San Diego State has been picked to finish seventh by the Mountain West Conference media in the league's pre-season poll.

BYU received eight of the 16 first-place votes, becoming the third different school to be picked to win the MWC title in as many years.

The media has correctly picked the regular-season conference winner in each of the previous three polls, with Colorado State earning the nod in 2001-02, and Utah claiming the title in 1999-2000 and 2000-01.

The Cast

The 2002-03 SDSU roster includes five seniors, one junior, two sophomores and seven freshmen. The seven freshmen are the program's most since the 1983-84 team, which opened the season with nine freshmen.

While this year's squad includes five seniors, only two, **Jamey Cox** and **Andrea Kiesling**, have played all three of their previous collegiate seasons at San Diego State.

Mountain West Conference Conference Only Rankings

(Final - 2001-02 Season)

TEAM CATEGORY	SDSU	RANK
Scoring Offense	53.6	7th
Scoring Defense	64.4	7th
Scoring Margin	-10.7	7th
Field Goal Pct.	.343	7th
Field Goals Pct. Def.	.405	6th
3-Pt. FG Pct.	.308	5th
3-Pt. FG Pct. Def.	.300	2nd
Free Throw Pct.	.629	8th
Rebounding Offense	34.5	7th
Rebounding Defense	41.1	8th
Rebounding Margin	-6.6	8th
Blocked Shots	2.50	6th
Assists	11.14	7th
Steals	9.57	2nd
Turnover Margin	1.57	3rd
Assist/Turnover Ratio	0.65	7th
Offensive Rebounds	14.07	1st
Defensive Rebounds	20.43	7th
3-Pt. FG Made	4.29	5th

INDIVIDUAL CATEGORY	AVG
Scoring	
8. Swinbank	12.8
18. Cox	9.1

Rebounding	
8. O'tii	5.9
9. Swinbank	5.6

Assists Per Game	
7. Swinbank	3.21
14. Cox	2.57

Steals Per Game	
2. Swinbank	2.14
8. O'tii	1.71
8. Cox	1.71

3-Point Field Goals Percentage	
10. Cox	.355 (27-76)

3-Point Field Goals Made Per Game	
4. Cox	1.93
13. Williams	1.07

Blocked Shots Per Game	
5. O'tii	0.93
9. McCartney	0.79

Assist/Turnover Ratio	
10. Swinbank	0.88

Offensive Rebounds	
6. O'tii	2.64
11. Williams	2.14
15. Nicolette McCartney	1.86

Defensive Rebounds	
5. Swinbank	4.29
11. O'tii	3.29