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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 18 - 27

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14	15	16	17	18 Track (thru Fri.) Mt. SAC Heptathlon Azusa, Calif. 10 a.m.	19 Track (thru Sun.) Mt. SAC Relays Walnut, Calif. 10 a.m. Water Polo at UCSD 6 p.m.	20 M-Golf (thru Sun.) at U.S. Intercollegiate Stanford, Calif. All Day
21	22 W-Golf (thru Wed.) at MWC Championships Sun River, Ore. All Day	23	24	25 W-Tennis (thru Sat.) at MWC Tournament Provo, Utah (at BYU) All Day M-Tennis (thru Sat.) at MWC Tournament Las Vegas (at UNLV) All Day	26 Water Polo (thru Sun.) at MPSF Championships Los Angeles (at USC) All Day	27 Rowing at Miller Cup (UCLA) Marina del Rey, Calif. All Day Track (thru Fri.) at Oregon Invitational Eugene, Ore. 10 a.m. at UCSD Invitational 9 a.m.

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TRACK and FIELD

Aztecs Head To Walnut For Annual Mt. SAC Event

2002 Schedule and Results

Date	Event	Time/Result
<i>Indoor Schedule</i>		
Jan. 12	at Pole Vault Summit	NTS
Feb. 2	at Wolf Pack Invite	7th, 23 pts.
Feb. 9	at NAU Invitational	NTS
Feb. 21-23	MWC Indoor Chps.*	6th, 58.5 pts.

Outdoor Schedule

Date	Event	Time/Result
Mar. 2	at USC Invitational	NTS
Mar. 9	at Ben Brown Invitational	NTS
Mar. 15-16at	Willie Williams Classic	NTS
Mar. 17	at Trojan Classic	NTS
Mar. 23	AZTECCCLASSIC	NTS
Mar. 29-30	at Cal-Nev Chps.	3rd, 121 pts.
Apr. 6	UNLV Desert Classic	NTS
Apr. 13	ALL-WOMEN INVITE	4th, 95 pts.
Apr. 13	at Sun Angel Classic	NTS
Apr. 18-19	at Mt. SAC Heptathalon	All Day
Apr. 19-21	at Mt. SAC Relays	All Day
Apr. 27	at Oregon Invitational	10 a.m.
	at UCSD Invitational	9 a.m.
May 4	at Texas Invitational	10 a.m.
May 5	at Steve Scott Invitational	10 a.m.
May 11	at Oxy Invitational	5 p.m.
May 15-18	MWC Outdoor Champs.*	All Day

Home meets in CAPS
Home meets held at SDSU Sports Deck
*Colorado Springs, Colo.

2002 Outdoor Bests

100 Meters - Tonette Dyer	11.77
200 Meters - Tonette Dyer	23.41#
400 Meters - Tonette Dyer	53.37#
800 Meters - Jennifer Stakiw	2:13.30
100 Hurdles - Leslie Miller	14.27
400 Hurdles - Leslie Miller	1:00.04
1,500 Meters - Jennifer Stakiw	4:45.74
3,000 Meters - Alicia Stewart	10:23.07
3,000 Steeple - Hillery Gemmill	11:36.27
5,000 Meters - Alicia Stewart	18:13.97
4x100-Meter Relay - SDSU "A"	44.77#^
4x400-Meter Relay - SDSU "B"	3:36.82#
Long Jump - M. Schaueremann	19-04.25 (5.90m)
High Jump - Alisha Lasswell	5-07.00 (1.70m)
Pole Vault - Shayla Balentine	13-00.25 (3.97m)#
Javelin - Leslie Miller	105-10.00 (32.27m)
Shot Put - Candace Hill	43-10.00 (13.36m)
Discus - Candace Hill	149-02.00 (45.46m)
Hammer - Candace Hill	145-03.00 (44.29m)

#Indicates NCAA provisional mark
^Indicates school record



This Week

The San Diego State track and field program will be in Walnut, Calif., this weekend for the annual Mt. SAC Relays and Heptathlon. The heptathlon competition will be held at Azusa Pacific on Thursday and Friday. Competition in the other events gets underway on Friday, with finals being held on Sunday. SDSU comes off a weekend in which it placed fourth at its All-Women Invitational and its 4x400 relay team set an NCAAprovisional mark at the Sun Angel Classic in Tempe, Ariz.

SDSU Lately

Noting the SDSU All-Women Invitational

• SDSU's Jillita Griffin placed first in the 100-meter dash and second in 200-meter dash on Saturday. Griffin's finishes were part of eight top-three finishes for the Aztecs.

• Griffin raced to a first-place time of 12.53 in the 100 meters and clocked in at 25.43 in the 200 meters. She also ran the anchor leg for the Aztecs 4x400 relay team that placed third with a time of 3:54.55.

• Also highlighting the day's running events was Leslie Miller, who took first in the 100 hurdles with a time 14.57.

• SDSU's pole vaulters continued to shine, with Shayla Balentine and Patricia Gutierrez again clearing NCAAprovisional marks. The pair placed 1-2 on Saturday, with Balentine clearing 12-10.77 (3.93m) and Gutierrez 12-6.75 (3.83m). Balentine has now set seven NCAAprovisional marks this season.

• Candace Hill, a graduate of San Diego's Hoover High School, also came away from Saturday with some impressive marks, placing first in the discus with a throw of 139-9 (42.61m) and fourth in the hammer with a mark of 139-7 (42.56m).

Noting the ASU Sun Angel Classic

• The Aztecs' 4x400-meter relay team of Tonette Dyer, Ryan Peters, Jini Hogg and Hollann Givens raced to an NCAAprovisional and season-best time of 3:36.82 at the Sun Angel Classic on the Arizona State campus. The time places the team third all-time on the SDSU records chart. The mark is the Aztecs' second provisional one of the season in the event, with the team of Dyer, Givens, Hogg and Melinda Smedley having raced to a time of 3:38.81 at the Cal-Nevada Championships in March.

• Dyer, Peters, Hogg and Givens also competed in the 4x100 relay, placing fourth with a time of 45.57.

Looking Ahead

On April 27th, the squad will split with some traveling to the Oregon Invitational and others heading across town to the UCSD Invitational.

This Week...

at Mt. SAC Relays and Heptathlon

Thurs., Apr. 18 - Sun., Apr. 21

Under Consideration

The Aztecs' NCAAprovisional mark in the 4x400 this past weekend is the ninth consideration mark set by SDSU this season. The Aztecs' "A" relay squad had already set qualifying marks in the 4x100 and 4x400 at the Cal-Nevada meet in March. Tonette Dyer, a member of both those relay squads, ran an NCAA provisional mark in the 200 meters at the UNLV Desert Classic. Dyer also raced to a provisional time of 53.37 in the 400 meters at the Cal-Nevada Championships. Three SDSU pole vaulters, Shayla Balentine, Patricia Gutierrez and Jesika Englebretson, have cleared a provisional mark at least once this season.

Among The National Leaders

Several Aztecs are listed among the top times and marks in the nation this season. Tonette Dyer's time in the 200 meters (23.41) and 400 meters (53.37) are the seventh and 16th best this season. The team's time in the 4x100 (44.77) is the 16th fastest, to go along with the 14th best in the 4x400 (3:36.82). Shayla Balentine's 13-0.25 mark in the pole vault is 12th best.

Aztec Honors

Tonette Dyer was named the Mountain West Conference's women's track athlete of the week for the period ending March 31st. Dyer was honored after she competed in four events at the Cal-Nevada Championships and NCAAprovisionally qualified in three of those contests (4x100 relay, 4x400 relay and 400 meters). She is the second Aztec to earn the honor this year, with senior Tricia Gutierrez doing so during the indoor season.

Vaulting To Success

Freshman Shayla Balentine recorded her seventh NCAAprovisional qualifying mark of the season in the pole vault this past weekend. Her first-place mark of 3.97 meters (13-00.25) at the Aztec Classic on March 23 was her fourth NCAAprovisional vault in as many meets and tied her best this season. The 13-00.25 mark places her second all-time in SDSU's record book. The mark also puts her atop the Mountain West Conference's list of bests in the event this season. Included in her four-meet NCAAmark streak is winning the MWC's indoor title at the league championships in February with a MWC record vault of 3.84 meters (12-07.50). Earlier in the indoor season she set the SDSU indoor record in the vault with a 3.90 meter (12-09.50) mark at the National Pole Vault Summit in Reno.

On Pace

Melinda Smedley has placed no lower than third in the 200-meter dash this season. Her second-place finish of 24.24 at the Aztec Invitational broke a streak of three-straight first-place marks, including a win in an impressive field at the Trojan Classic on March 2. She also has a trio of second-place clockings in the 100 meters. Her personal season-best of 11.83 in the 100 came at the UNLV Desert Classic.

MEN'S TENNIS

Aztecs Enter MWC Tournament As Top Seed

2002 Schedule/Results (15-8, 4-1 MWC)

Date	Event (Ranking)	Time/Result
Jan. 25	vs. New Mexico (63)	W, 6-1
Jan. 26	vs. BYU (69) (Boise, Idaho)	W, 4-3
Feb. 2	at Stanford (2)	L, 1-6
Feb. 7-9	at IIA Team Indoor (Louisville, Ky.)	
	vs. Stanford (2)	L, 0-4
	vs. Tennessee (4)	L, 2-4
	vs. Southern Methodist (8)	W, 4-3
Feb. 19	at UCLA(5)	L, 2-5
Feb. 22	at Pepperdine (9)	L, 1-6
Feb. 23	UCIRVINE	W, 6-1
Mar. 3	UCSB (#75)	W, 6-1
Mar. 16-19	at Blue Gray Tournament (Mobile, Ala.)	
	vs. Va. Commonwealth (25)	W, 4-3
	vs. South Alabama (31)	W, 4-0
	vs. Illinois (8)	L, 2-4
Mar. 21	YALE (#71)	L, 3-4
Mar. 23	PRINCETON (61)	W, 6-1
Mar. 29	vs. New Mexico* (Las Vegas, Nev.)	W, 5-2
Mar. 30	vs. Air Force (74)* (Las Vegas, Nev.)	W, 6-1
Mar. 31	at UNLV (58)*	L, 1-6
Apr. 5	TULSA(35)	W, 4-3
Apr. 9	at San Diego	W, 5-2
Apr. 12	at Utah*	W, 7-0
Apr. 13	Brigham Young* (Salt Lake City, Utah)	W, 6-1
Apr. 14	PACIFIC	W, 7-0
Apr. 25-27	MWC Tournament (Las Vegas, Nev.)	TBA
May 11-12	NCAARegionals	TBA
May 18-27	NCAAFinals (College Station, Texas)	TBA

Home matches in CAPS
Home matches held at SDSU Courts
*Mountain West Conference match



Tourney Time

For the second consecutive season, the 28th-ranked San Diego State men's tennis team, 15-8 overall and 4-1 in Mountain West play, will enter the Mountain West Conference Championship as the top seed. The Aztecs defeated Brigham Young last Saturday, on the final day of the conference season, to clinch the number one seed. The Aztecs receive a first-round bye at the league championship, which begins April 25th in Las Vegas. San Diego State will face the winner of the UNLV-Utah match on Friday, April 26th at 1:00 p.m. PDT. SDSU enters the league championship with plenty of momentum, having won a conference-best five straight matches and eight of its last nine overall.

Weekly Rewind

San Diego State completed its regular-season with a busy three-day stretch that saw the Aztecs travel to Utah for matches on Friday and Saturday before returning home for a non-conference match on Sunday.

On Friday, the Aztecs blanked Utah 7-0 in Salt Lake City. Although the Aztecs' top doubles team of Oliver Maiberger and Ryan Redondo were upset, San Diego State still claimed the doubles point and swept all six singles matches in straight sets.

On Saturday, San Diego State clinched the conference tournament's top-seed by defeating Brigham Young, 6-1. The Cougars entered the match unbeaten in league play, but were only able to win at number two singles.

The Aztecs concluded the busy stretch with a 7-0 shutout of Big West Conference member Pacific. San Diego State was pushed to three sets in only one singles match, in handing the Tigers their sixth loss of the season.

Please, Sir, I Want Some More

San Diego State junior Oliver Maiberger was named the Mountain West Conference Men's Tennis Player of the Week for the period ending April 16. It is Maiberger's third award of the season and the 10th of his career. Maiberger, ranked 24th nationally in singles, led the Aztecs to three victories in as many days last week as San Diego State clinched its second-consecutive conference regular-season title. On Friday, the junior defeated Utah's Corrie Scheepers in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3, as the Aztecs defeated the Utes, 7-0. The following day, he rallied from one-set down to defeat Brigham Young's Carlos Lozano, 1-6, 7-5, 7-5. The Aztecs defeated the Cougars 6-1 to claim the regular-season championship. On Sunday, in the regular-season finale, Maiberger disposed of Pacific's Dietrich Haug, 6-1, 6-1. Maiberger and Ryan Redondo, the third ranked doubles team in the nation, posted a 2-1 record during the week, including an 8-6 victory over 16th-ranked Lozano and Gert Vilms of Brigham Young.

This Week...

MWC Championships

Thurs., Apr. 25 - Sat., Apr. 27

Aztecs Back In The Top 30

The Aztecs moved up four positions to No. 28 in the Omni Hotels Collegiate Tennis Rankings released by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association on Wednesday. The Aztec men join the Aztec women's tennis team, which remained among the top 30 teams in the country for the fourth consecutive week. At No. 28, the Aztecs are just three positions off their season-best ranking of 25th, established late last month prior to the illness to Oliver Maiberger. San Diego State posted a 3-3 record and was 7-7 on March 21st prior to going on its current streak. The Aztecs ended the regular season by winning eight of nine matches, with four victories coming against opponents ranked at match time. The Aztecs, which were ranked 53rd in the preseason poll, have appeared in every poll this season.

Computer Conspiracy

Although the Aztec team moved up in this week's Omni Hotels Rankings, San Diego State players were not as fortunate. Oliver Maiberger, who has posted a perfect 5-0 record since returning to the singles lineup, fell from 19th to 24th in the most recent poll. The junior, who earned All-America status last season by advancing to the third round of the NCAA singles championship, can earn that status again this season by finishing in the top 20 of the final poll. The Aztec number-one doubles duo of Oliver Maiberger and Ryan Redondo appear to be destined for All-America honors. The two remained third in the doubles poll this week and only need to place in the top 10 of the final poll to earn that distinction. Entering the national rankings at No. 44 this week is the doubles team of Felix Hardt and Valentino Pest. The pair are 13-2 in dual competition and have won nine straight matches.

Quick Volleys

The Aztecs are 15-8 after 23 matches this season, last year SDSU was 14-9 at this point during the season... Last year at this time the Aztecs were ranked 59th in the national polls, this season they are currently 28th... The loss at UNLV on March 31st snapped the Aztecs' 10 match Mountain West Conference win streak and marked the only league defeat for SDSU this season... Felix Hardt, who posted a 3-2 record at number one singles during Maiberger's absence, is 16-7 during the dual campaign... The 16 victories are the most on the squad - three more than Ryan Redondo... The Aztecs are 14-1 as a team when winning at number one singles... The doubles combo of Felix Hardt and Valentino Pest are 13-2 during the dual campaign and have won nine straight matches... All three of the current Aztec doubles teams have posted impressive records, including an impressive 11-7 record against ranked opponents... The Aztecs have won the doubles point in nine straight matches.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Aztecs Prep For Mountain West Tournament

2002 Schedule/Results (16-7, 7-0 MWC)

Date	Event (Ranking)	Time/Result
Jan. 26	SAINTMARY'S	W, 7-0
Jan. 26	CALPOLY	W, 7-0
Feb. 1	at Washington (11)	L, 0-7
Feb. 3	vs. Washington State (29) (Seattle, Wash.)	L, 3-4
Feb. 10	OREGON	W, 5-2
Feb. 16	PACIFIC	W, 6-1
Feb. 22	UCIRVINE	W, 4-3
Mar. 1	at California (15)	L, 1-6
Mar. 2	at Stanford (3)	L, 0-7
Mar. 4	GEORGIATECH (23)	L, 3-4
Mar. 13	USC (t12)	L, 0-7
Mar. 15	NOTREDAME (18)	W, 5-2
Mar. 19	KANSASSTATE (41)	W, 5-2
Mar. 22	vs. Utah* (Las Vegas, Nev.)	W, 7-0
Mar. 23	vs. Brigham Young* (31) (Las Vegas, Nev.)	W, 5-2
Mar. 28	UNLV* (15)	W, 4-3
Mar. 29	WYOMING*	W, 6-1
Mar. 30	COLORADO STATE*	W, 6-1
Apr. 3	at Pepperdine (42)	L, 2-5
Apr. 6	vs. New Mexico* (Colorado Springs)	W, 7-0
Apr. 7	at Air Force*	W, 5-2
Apr. 13	LOYOLAMARYMOUNT (72)	W, 6-1
Apr. 16	SANDIEGO	W, 6-1
Apr. 25-27	MWC Tournament (Provo, Utah)	TBA
Mar. 10-11	NCAARregionals	TBA
Mar. 16-25	NCAAFinals (Stanford, Calif.)	TBA

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Home matches held at SDSU Courts
*Mountain West Conference match



Tourney Time

The 26th-ranked San Diego State women's tennis team, 16-7 overall and 7-0 in Mountain West Conference play, concluded an 11-2 home campaign with victories over 72nd-ranked Loyola Marymount (6-1) and San Diego (6-1) this week. For the second time in three seasons the Aztecs enter the Mountain West Conference tournament as the top-seed after posting a perfect 7-0 record during the regular season. The Aztecs will battle eighth-seeded Wyoming in the first round of the league championship on April 25th in Provo, Utah. Match time is set for 2 p.m. MDT.

Weekly Rewind

San Diego State won a pair of matches this week and now have won 11 of 12 matches to end the regular season campaign. The Aztecs have lost just once since beginning the stretch-which includes a victory over 18th-ranked Notre Dame on March 15th.

The Aztecs defeated 72nd-ranked Loyola Marymount by a 6-1 score last Saturday afternoon. San Diego State won the doubles point and five singles matches, including four in straight sets.

San Diego State disposed of its cross-town rival San Diego, 6-1, on Tuesday at the SDSU Courts. Seniors Katey Clark-Becker and Julie Ann Chidley both claimed singles matches for the Aztecs in their final regular-season home match.

Tornier Claims Second MWC PoW Honor

San Diego State junior Silvia Tornier was named the Mountain West Conference Women's Tennis Player of the Week for the period ending April 16. This is Tornier's second player of the week honor this season. A native of Hamburg, Germany, Tornier led the Aztecs to victories over 72nd-ranked Loyola Marymount and San Diego. The junior, ranked 82nd nationally, posted a pair of straight-set victories in number one singles and teamed with Indra Erichsen to win twice at number two doubles. Against the Lions, Tornier defeated Edit Pakay, 7-6, 6-3 in singles play and claimed an 8-1 victory in doubles action. On Tuesday against San Diego, the junior defeated Tara Livesay, 6-4, 6-2 in singles and posted an 8-6 win in doubles.

This Week...

MWC Championships

Thurs., Apr. 25 - Sat., Apr. 27

In The Polls

The Aztecs' four-match winning-streak, during which they have outscored their opponents 24-4, was not enough to keep SDSU from slipping from No. 24 to No. 26 in the Omni Hotels Collegiate Tennis Rankings this week. San Diego State was ranked 22nd, a season high two weeks ago, but has dropped two spots each of the last two weeks. The Aztecs are still well above their preseason ranking of 44th. Silvia Tornier dropped from 79th to 82nd in the women's singles rankings. She is on the singles chart for the second consecutive poll.

Winning At Doubles

One area where San Diego State has received outstanding play has been at doubles. The three current doubles pairings have combined to post a 36-7 record during the dual season. At number one doubles, Katja Karrento and Katalina Romero have posted a 16-6 record, including a 7-2 mark since moving to the top doubles position. Indra Erichsen and Silvia Tornier are undefeated since teaming up, posting a 9-0 record while Julie Anna Chidley and Lindsey Hedberg are 8-1 at number three doubles. The Aztecs combined to win 18 consecutive doubles matches earlier this season and SDSU has been victorious in 33 of its last 36 matches.

Quick Volleys

The Aztecs 16-7 record this season is exactly the same record as the team had after 23 matches last season... The difference is last season the Aztecs were ranked 46th with a 16-7 mark while this season SDSU is 26th, based largely on an increased strength of schedule... Silvia Tornier, who has played 20 of her 22 dual matches at number one singles, is 16-6 in the dual campaign with five victories over ranked opponents... Katja Karrento and Katalina Romero have combined to post a 16-6 record in dual doubles competition this season... The 16 victories are the most by any Aztec pair this season, seven more than any other tandem... The two knocked off the 53rd-ranked doubles team from Kansas State in their first match playing number one doubles.

MEN'S GOLF

19th-Ranked Aztecs Wrap Up Regular Season At Stanford

2002 US Intercollegiate Stanford Golf Course Stanford, Calif.

Dates: April 20-21

Par: 71

Yardage: 6,835

The Field (16): San Diego State, California, Long Beach State, Oregon, Pacific, Portland, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose State, Santa Clara, Stanford, Texas Tech, UC Irvine, UCLA, USC, Washington State

2001-02 Schedule and Results

Fall

Date	Event	Result
S. 10-11	Mid Pines Intercollegiate	2nd (847)
S. 21-22	Tucker Intercollegiate	6th (876)
O. 5-6	Lexus Classic	5th (876)
O. 8-9	Club Glove Intercollegiate	4th (902)
N. 5-6	Aztec Invitational	2nd (837)

Spring

Date	Event	Result
F. 20-22	John Burns Intercollegiate	1st (853)
M. 7-8	Pacific Coast Intercollegiate	1st (866)
M. 18-19	USD Invitational	1st (882)
M. 25-26	Oregon Duck Invitational	7th (870)
A. 5-6	Border Olympics	2nd (858)
A. 20-21	Stanford Invitational	
A. 29-M. 1	MWC Championships	
M. 16-18	NCAARegionals	
M. 29-J. 1	NCAACHampionships	

The National Polls

GCAA Coaches Poll

- Georgia Tech
- Wake Forest
- Clemson
- Florida
- Oklahoma State
- Texas
- Fresno State
- USC
- TCU
- Tennessee
- Georgia
- Virginia Tech
- Washington
- Oklahoma
- Augusta State
- Auburn
- Toledo
- New Mexico
- Arizona
- San Diego State**
- NC State
- Pepperdine
- Purdue
- Baylor
- Minnesota

Golfweek/Sagarin Poll

- Georgia Tech
- Clemson
- Wake Forest
- Florida
- Texas
- Tennessee
- TCU
- Oklahoma State
- USC
- Fresno State
- Washington
- Auburn
- Toledo
- Virginia Tech
- Georgia
- Augusta State
- Oklahoma
- NC State
- San Diego State**
- Pepperdine
- Baylor
- Arizona
- New Mexico
- Minnesota
- Purdue



US Intercollegiate Final Tune Up

The 19th-ranked San Diego State men's golf team makes its final regular-season tour stop of the year this weekend when the Aztecs travel to the Bay Area for the 2002 US Intercollegiate. Hosted by Stanford, the two-day, 54-hole tournament will be played at the Stanford Golf Course (par 71; 6,835 yards) and will feature 36 holes on Saturday, April 20th, with the final 18-holes slated for Sunday, April 21st. Play will begin with 8 a.m. shotgun starts both days.

The Field: SDSU Among Six Top-50 Squads

The 19th-ranked Aztecs are one of six teams ranked in this week's *Golfweek* top-50 poll traveling to Stanford for the US Intercollegiate. No. 9 USC is the only other top-25 squad competing. However, No. 28 Washington State, No. 32 Oregon, No. 46 UCLA and No. 47 Texas Tech will also be gunning for this year's title. Despite not being ranked in the top 50, host school Stanford is 2-0 versus San Diego State this season and headlines the rest of the 16-team field that includes California, Long Beach State, Pacific, Portland, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose State, Santa Clara and UC Irvine.

For The Record: Aztecs Versus The Field

San Diego State has finished in the top five in 8-of-10 tournaments during the 2001-02 season and enters the week with a sparkling 133-21 (.864) overall record. SDSU has faced all of the other 15 teams in the 2002 US Intercollegiate field, posting a 24-8 record. The Aztecs are a combined 4-5 against the five other top 50-ranked teams, going 1-1 versus Oregon, Texas Tech, UCLA and Washington State. SDSU dropped its only meeting with USC, finishing behind the Trojans at the Tucker Intercollegiate.

Last Year's US Intercollegiate

San Diego State did not take part in last year's US Intercollegiate, instead closing out its regular season at BYU's Ben Hogan Cougar Classic. Led by individual medalist Chris Nallen's 7-under 206, Arizona captured the 2001 team title with a three-round total of 15-under 837. The Wildcats, however, will not be back to defend their crown.

Familiar Faces

San Diego native and Aztec senior Brandon Kearney will be making his first competitive return to the Bay Area since transferring to SDSU from San Jose State. Kearney, a three-year starter at SJSU from 1998-2000, should see plenty of familiar faces at Stanford as the Spartans will also be among this year's US Intercollegiate field. It is the fifth time Kearney has squared off with his old mates. So far he and the Aztecs are a perfect 4-0 versus SJSU.

Poll Watch: SDSU Stays the Course

San Diego State held steady in both polls this week and is ranked No. 19 by *Golfweek* and No. 20 by the GCAA Coaches.

This Week...

at 2002 US Intercollegiate

Sat., Apr. 20 - Sun., Apr. 21

2001-02 Stroke Averages	Avg.	Rds.
John Lieber*	72.3	30
Mark Warman*	72.7	30
Lars Johansson*	72.8	26
Brandon Kearney*	73.2	30
Scott Henderson*	73.2	21
Gilberto Rodriguez	71.2	6
Chris Galeski	73.6	12
Charlie Smith	73.9	9
Linus Nilsson	75.5	6
Jarrod Jenkins	76.3	3

*Probable SDSU starter at the US Intercollegiate

Back Spin: Aztecs Get Silver At Olympics

Coming off its lowest finish of the season, a seventh at Oregon, San Diego State had a big bounce back in the Lone Star State as the Aztecs shot a combined 6-under 858 to place second at the Border Olympics in Laredo, Texas, April 5-6. Baylor held off SDSU to take the team title at 19-under 845. Four Aztecs finished in the top 25, paced by Lars Johansson, who shot 2-under 214 and tied for eighth. Brandon Kearney (217), John Lieber (218) and Scott Henderson (219) were SDSU's other top-25 finishers.

Whole Greater Than Sum Of Its Parts

The success San Diego State has enjoyed this season has been a result of a solid team effort by the Aztecs. Despite being ranked in the top 25 of both major polls, SDSU does not have a single player ranked among *Golfweek's* top-75 individuals. In fact, John Lieber is the only Aztec ranked in this week's top 100, checking in at No. 85 this week.

Aztec Chip Shots

- Eight of the nine players who have appeared in at least two tournaments this season own stroke averages under 74.0.
- Less than one stroke separates SDSU's starting five. John Lieber leads the way at 72.3 with Brandon Kearney and Scott Henderson posting the highest averages at 73.2.
- After not cracking the top 20 since the Aztecs' spring opener in Hawaii, No. 4 player Brandon Kearney has turned the trick twice in each of the last two tournaments, placing third at Oregon and 16th in Texas.
- John Lieber, SDSU's stroke average leader among players with at least nine competitive rounds this season, has placed in the top 25 in 8-of-10 events, including five top-5s. The junior has also carded 12 rounds of par or better in the last seven tournaments.
- Lars Johansson has been SDSU's top finisher in two of the last three tournaments, placing second at the USD Invitational and eighth at the Border Olympics.

Head Coach Dale Walker

Head coach Dale Walker is in his second season at the helm of the SDSU golf program. A stand-out performer for the Aztecs from 1975-79, he has guided the Aztecs to six tournament titles since taking over as head coach.

WOMEN'S GOLF

Aztecs Head To Oregon For MWC Championship

Mountain West Conference 2002 Women's Golf Championship Sunriver Resort - Meadows Course Sunriver, Oregon

Dates: April 22-24, 2002

Par: 71

Yardage: 6,089

The Field: San Diego State,
Brigham Young, Colorado
State, New Mexico, UNLV,
Wyoming



2001-02 Schedule and Results

Fall

Date	Event	Result
S. 13-15	McGuire Intercollegiate	DNP
S. 24-25	Pioneer Intercollegiate	5th (610)
O. 8-10	NMSU Intercollegiate	10th (929)
O. 30-31	Wahine Fall Classic	10th (934)

Spring

Date	Event	Result
F. 18-19	Aztec Invitational	10th (656)
F. 25-26	Bay Area Classic	5th (621)
M. 11-12	Pioneer Bruin Classic	6th (915)
M. 28-29	Duck Invitational	10th (928)
A. 8-9	Utah Dixie Classic	10th (933)
A. 13-14	Bernard Calif. Collegiate	10th (629)
A. 22-24	MWC Championships	
M. 9-11	NCAA West Regionals	
M. 21-24	NCAACHampionships	

MWC Women's Golf Leader Board

No.	Name	Rds.	Avg.
1.	Kailin Downs (NM)	24	74.9
2.	Kristi Larsen (NM)	24	75.4
3.	Mayumi Motoyama (CSU)	21	75.5
4.	Claudia Ferrini (NM)	24	75.7
5.	Katrina Leckovic (NM)	24	76.1
	Carrie Summerhays (BYU)	22	76.1
7.	Bridget Johnson (CSU)	21	76.8
8.	Lynette Duran (CSU)	17	76.9
9.	Sandy Kim (SDSU)	23	77.0
	Christina Spence (NM)	21	77.0
11.	Hwanhee Lee (UNLV)	22	77.4
	Natalie Newren (BYU)	20	77.4
13.	Stephanie Linnell (CSU)	21	77.7
14.	Heather Rollo (SDSU)	23	77.8
15.	Shayna Miyajima (SDSU)	23	77.9
16.	Lisa Dernick-Hardy (BYU)	19	78.2
17.	Nicole Newren (BYU)	22	78.6
18.	Jessica Gardner (BYU)	20	78.9
19.	Tina Mabanta (UNLV)	22	79.5
20.	Erin Borcherts (UNLV)	22	79.9
21.	Kristin Campos (CSU)	21	80.3
	Kim Nissen (WYO)	22	80.3
23.	Alison McGuire (WYO)	22	81.4
24.	Tara Ludwig (WYO)	16	82.1
25.	Katherine Crowley (WYO)	15	83.0

2002 Mountain West Title On The Line

The San Diego State women's golf team returns to the links for what could be the final time in 2001-02 early next week, when the Aztecs travel to Sunriver, Ore., for the 2002 Mountain West



Conference Women's Golf Championship. The 54-hole championship will be played on the Meadows Course (par 71; 6,089 yards) at the Sunriver Resort and spans three days with one 18-hole round scheduled for each day. The tournament tees off on Monday, April 22nd with the opening round and concludes with the third and final round on Wednesday, April 24th. The first two rounds will begin at 9 a.m. (PDT), with the final round slated for an 8 a.m. (PDT) start.

The Field

Six of the eight Mountain West Conference schools will send teams to this year's championship, one more than last year. UNLV, in its first year of women's golf, is the newcomer to the field. Air Force and Utah do not sponsor varsity women's golf programs. No. 22 New Mexico is the only team ranked in this week's *Golfweek* top 50. However, four others - No. 58 BYU, No. 60 Colorado State, No. 65 SDSU, and No. 74 UNLV - are ranked in the poll's top 75. Wyoming is the league's lowest ranked team at No. 148.

Aztecs Against The Field

The Aztecs are a combined 9-10 this season versus the five other Mountain West Schools. San Diego State has faced BYU the most this season, posting a 3-3 mark versus the Cougars. The Aztecs are also 2-0 versus Wyoming, 3-1 against UNLV and 1-4 versus Colorado State. New Mexico is the only conference team SDSU has yet to finish ahead of, placing behind the Lobos in both encounters this season.

SDSU vs. the MWC

BYU	3-3
Colorado State	1-4
New Mexico	0-2
UNLV	3-1
Wyoming	2-0
Total	9-10

A Look Back At The 2001 Championship

San Diego State turned in its best three-round performance of the season, firing a combined 887 and tying for second with Colorado State at the 2001 Mountain West Championship in Sunriver. The second-place finish equaled a school best in women's golf and was the Aztecs' top finish in over a decade. New Mexico finished six strokes ahead of San Diego State to capture the team title. Two Aztecs placed in the top 10 as Jo Clingan (218) and Heather Rollo (222) wrapped up play in fifth and sixth, respectively. New Mexico also claimed the individual medalist as Riley Webb carded a 7-under 209 to finish atop the leaderboard.

This Week...

at Mountain West Championship

Mon. Apr. 22-Wed. Apr. 24

2001-02 Stroke Averages	Avg.	Rds.
Sandy Kim, So.	77.0	23
Heather Rollo, Sr.	77.8	23
Shayna Miyajima, So.	77.9	23
Asa Jankler, Sr.	78.2	11
Brittany Tulao, Fr.	79.5	2
Frieda Englund, Fr.	81.6	8
Jennifer Hoene, Jr.	82.3	10
Claire Riley, Jr.	82.3	13
Annagret Horsch, Jr.	86.0	2

Back To The Beaver State

The 2002 MWC Championship at Sunriver will be San Diego State's second trip to the state of Oregon in less than a month. The Aztecs placed 10th at the Oregon Duck Invitational in Lebanon, Ore., March 28-29.

Back Spin: Stuck On 10

San Diego State turned in its sixth 10th-place finish of the year and the second of the week as the Aztecs shot a combined 629 in their regular-season finale at Stanford's Peg Barnard Collegiate, April 8-9. Sandy Kim was SDSU's top finisher for the third time in six spring events, taking 15th with a final score of 7-over 151. No other Aztec was able to crack the top 20 as Heather Rollo (157) and Shayna Miyajima (158) finished 34th and 40th, respectively.

Jankler Expected Back

After missing the last two tournaments with a wrist injury suffered at Oregon, senior Asa Jankler is expected to return to the Aztecs' lineup in time for the conference championship. Jankler, who owns the team's fourth-best stroke average, carded a season-best 12-over 228 to finish 26th at the UCLA Bruin Classic before coming down with the wrist injury at Oregon.

Aztec Chip Shots

Four of the five Aztecs heading to Sunriver - Jennifer Hoene, Asa Jankler, Sandy Kim and Heather Rollo - played in last year's event... Shayna Miyajima, who appeared in seven tournaments as a freshman last year and all nine this season, is the only Aztec without conference tournament experience... Sandy Kim's sophomore stroke average is nearly two shots below her freshman average, dropping from 78.9 to 77.0... Heather Rollo or Sandy Kim have finished as the top Aztec in all six spring tournaments, with each taking SDSU's top spot three times.

Aztec Coaching Staff

San Diego State is led by head coach Neale Stoner and assistant coach Felicia Brown. Stoner coached the Aztec men from 1993-2000, leading SDSU to four NCAA regionals and a national championship appearance. Brown, who played at the University of Arizona and later professionally on the Players West Golf Tour, is in her first season at SDSU.

WATER POLO

Aztecs Wrap Up Regular Season At UC San Diego

2002 Results (17-13, 5-6 MPSF)

Date	Event (Rank)	Time/Result
Feb. 8	HARTWICK COLLEGE(14) W, 7-6 INDIANA(16) W, 10-4	
Feb. 9-10	at UCSD Invitational vs. Cal Baptist W, 12-11 vs. Loyola Marymount (5) L, 3-5 at UCSD (9) L, 4-5 vs. Hartwick College (14) W, 11-9 UCSB (7)* L, 6-7 2ot	
Feb. 23-24	at UCSB Invitational vs. UC Davis (t6) W, 11-9 vs. UCLA(2) L, 2-8 vs. Loyola Marymount (t6) L, 5-7 vs. Long Beach State (7) L, 3-6	
Feb. 27	MICHIGAN (13) W, 8-5	
Mar. 2	at UC Irvine (17)* W, 7-6 vs. Redlands W, 5-0	
Mar. 3	at Long Beach State (7)* W, 7-5	
Mar. 9	at California (4)* L, 3-14	
Mar. 10	at Pacific (15)* W, 11-7	
Mar. 15	UCLA(2)* L, 5-12	
Mar. 17	at UCSD Tournament vs. Princeton W, 9-6 at UC San Diego W, 5-4	
Mar. 21	CS NORTHTRIDGE* W, 9-2	
Mar. 23	USC (3)* L, 8-13	
Apr. 4	at San Jose State (6)* W, 8-7	
Apr. 5	at Stanford (1)* L, 4-12	
Apr. 11	HAWAII (11)* L, 10-11	
Apr. 13-14	at The Beach Invite vs. USC (1) L, 5-15 vs. CSU Bakersfield W, 8-5 vs. Pacific W, 10-9 vs. Redlands L, 6-7 at Long Beach State (5) W, 9-6 vs. USC (1) L, 6-7	
Apr. 19	at UC San Diego 6 p.m.	
Apr. 26-28	MPSF Championship# All Day	

Home games in CAPS *MPSF game
#Hosted by Southern California

Coming Up

San Diego State will compete in its regular season finale on Friday when the Aztecs visit cross-town rival, UCSD. Game time is set for 6 p.m. at the Canyonview Pool. The Aztecs will then take a week off to prepare for the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Championships. The tournament will be held April 26-28 at USC's McDonald Swim Complex.

The Rankings...The Standings

San Diego State is currently the nation's fifth-ranked team, the highest ranking they have held this season. In the MPSF, San Diego State is tied for sixth place with Hawai'i. The Aztecs hold a 17-13 record, and are 5-6 in conference play.

The Competition

UC San Diego Tritons

- The Aztecs hold a 21-6 all-time advantage over the eighth-ranked Tritons.
- The two teams have faced each other twice this season, splitting action.
- The Tritons were victorious in the first meeting at the UCSD Arena NoGrip Invitational, defeating the Aztecs 5-4.
- The two teams faced each other again in March, at the UCSB Mini Tourney, where the Aztecs took the contest, 5-4.



This Week...

at UC San Diego

Fri., Apr. 19

Last Week

SDSU had a busy week, fitting in six games in a span of four days. The Aztecs finished up their home games for the season as they hosted Hawaii on Thursday, then traveled to Long Beach over the weekend, taking second-place in The Long Beach State Invitational.

• Dominique Delgado led the Aztecs with five goals, one steal and one assist against No. 11 Hawaii, but it wasn't enough as the Aztecs fell to the Wahine Warriors, 11-10. Amber Prestegard added two goals for the Aztecs while Casey Finnegan and Holly Hartzell each added one.

• The Aztecs captured second place at The Long Beach State Invitational, falling to top-ranked USC, 15-5, in the title game. San Diego State competed in pool play on Saturday, defeating Cal State Bakersfield, 8-5, and Pacific, 10-9 in overtime. The Aztecs advanced to Sunday's championship round, defeating Long Beach State, 9-6, before falling to USC. San Diego State also lost to Redlands, 7-6, on Saturday.

• Holly Hartzell had nine goals, five assists and 10 steals for the Aztecs during the tournament, earning her MPSF player of the week honors.



2002 Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
1	Heather Stiles	GK	5-10	Sr.	Sacramento, Calif. (Sierra CC)
1A	Ashley Zabel	GK	5-10	So.	San Diego, Calif. (Scripps Ranch HS)
1B	Cindy Ayala	GK	5-6	Fr.	Los Angeles, Calif. (Santa Monica HS)
2	Whitney Winlow	UTL	5-10	Sr.	Las Vegas, Nev. (Chapparal HS)
3	Beth Merlo	UTL	5-9	Sr.	Clovis, Calif. (Merced CC)
4	Heidi Matsumoto	DR	5-6	Jr.	Grover Beach, Calif. (Arroyo Grande HS)
5	Casey Finnegan	UTL	5-6	Jr.	Fresno, Calif. (Clovis West HS)
6	Dominique Delgado	UTL	5-5	Fr.	Lompoc, Calif. (Cabrillo HS)
7	Katie Clark	UTL	5-4	Sr.	Fontana, Calif. (Riverside CC)
8	Ashleigh May	DR	5-5	Jr.	University Place, Wash. (Golden West CC)
9	Jackie Lopez	DR	5-0	Jr.	Commerce, Calif. (Bell Gardens HS)
10	Amber Prestegard	UTL	5-7	Jr.	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Edison HS)
11	Lisa Weise	DR	5-8	Sr.	Riverside, Calif. (Riverside CC)
12	Donna Stivers	UTL	5-5	So.	El Cajon, Calif. (El Cajon Valley HS)
13	Becky Sensney	UTL	5-5	Jr.	Modesto, Calif. (Johansen HS)
14	Holly Hartzell	2M	5-10	So.	Vista, Calif. (Fallbrook HS)
15	Brenna Wylie	UTL	5-5	Jr.	Merced, Calif. (Golden Valley HS)
16	Monica DeRosier	2M	5-11	Fr.	San Diego, Calif. (Patrick Henry HS)
19	Chelsy Smith	2M	5-8	Jr.	Roseville, Calif. (Sierra CC)

Head Coach: Carin Crawford (UC San Diego) fourth season
Assistant: Rachel Scott, first season

2002 Statistical Leaders

Scoring Leaders

Athlete	Gm.	G	A	St.	G/Gm.
Holly Hartzell	29	60	19	48	2.1
Amber Prestegard	27	38	14	32	1.4
Dominique Delgado	27	32	18	30	1.2
Casey Finnegan	29	30	12	53	1.0
Heidi Matsumoto	27	10	15	18	.37
Donna Stivers	27	8	5	25	.30
Jackie Lopez	17	6	0	6	.35
Beth Merlo	29	6	7	21	.21
Monica DeRosier	10	6	0	0	.60
Whitney Winlow	30	5	5	7	.17

Goalkeeping Leaders

Athlete	Gm.	Sv	Sv/G
Heather Stiles	25	184	7.4
Ashley Zabel	12	65	5.4