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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

NOV. 15 - NOV. 24

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11	12	13	14	15 Volleyball (thru Sat.) at MWC Tournament vs. UNLV - 12:30 p.m. Provo, Utah	16 Swimming at Brigham Young 6 p.m. Provo, Utah	17 Swimming at Utah Noon Salt Lake City, Utah
18 M-Soccer vs. USD 2 p.m. SDSU Sports Deck	19	20	21	22	23	24

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Aztecs host USD in senior-day season finale.

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Squad travels to Utah for two meets in two days.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Aztecs Host USD On Senior Day At The Sports Deck

This Week...

Sun., Nov. 18 vs. USD

Schedule and Results (7-8-4, 3-2-2 MPSF)

Date	(Rank) Opponent	Time/Result
Aug. 31	(13) Santa Clara	L, 0-1 ot
Sept. 2	Notre Dame de Namur	T, 1-1 2ot
Sept. 6	UC Santa Barbara	L, 1-3
Sept. 14	Hofstra#	Canceled
Sept. 16	Albany#	Canceled
Sept. 19	at Christian Heritage	W, 3-0
Sept. 21	vs. Gonzaga~	L, 2-3
Sept. 23	at Oregon State~	L, 1-4
Sept. 28	UC Riverside	W, 3-2
Sept. 30	Brown	W, 2-1 ot
Oct. 4	Christian Heritage	W, 7-0
Oct. 7	(23) UCLA	L, 2-1
Oct. 12	(25) Denver*	W, 2-0
Oct. 14	Air Force*	L, 1-0
Oct. 19	at San Jose State*	T, 1-1
Oct. 21	at Fresno State*	W, 2-0
Oct. 26	UNLV*	T, 2-2 2ot
Oct. 28	New Mexico*	W, 2-1 2ot
Oct. 31	at CSU Fullerton	L, 2-3 2 ot
Nov. 4	at CSU Sacramento*	L, 1-3
MPSF Championship^		
Nov. 8	vs. UNLV%	T, 3-3, Shootout
Nov. 18	San Diego	2 p.m.

All Times local to site

#USD/SDSU Tournament at SDSU

~Diadora Classic at Oregon State

*Mountain Pacific Sports Federation

^Hosted by Fresno State

%UNLV won penalty-kick tiebreaker, 4-1

Scoring Leaders

Player	G	A	Pts	Sh
Kevin Sapanli	8	3	19	43
Enrique Tovar	6	7	19	53
Eric Wohl	4	5	13	37
Tyler Tinsling	5	1	11	17
Patrick Strait	4	2	10	13
Ryan Curtis	2	2	6	12
Anthony Zoric	2	2	6	6
Paul Szeffler	1	2	4	12
Adam Kulpa	1	2	4	6
Ryan Cook	1	2	4	5
Aaron Frimkess	0	3	3	9
Chris Giudicelli	1	0	2	7
Mauricio Soler	0	2	2	4
Greg Kaplan	1	0	2	1
Jon Povey	0	1	1	11

Goalkeeping Statistics

Player	Min.	GA	GAA	Sv
Tim Edwards	1233:11	19	1.39	57
Brian Barnes	624:58	12	1.73	30



This Week

The San Diego State men's soccer team (7-8-4) concludes its 2001 season on Sunday with a 2 p.m. match against cross town rival and 15th-ranked (*Soccer Times*) USD (10-3-1) at the SDSU Sports Deck.

Senior Day

Sunday's match will be the last for three Aztec seniors. Forward/midfielder Enrique Tovar, goalkeeper Tim Edwards and midfielder/defender Aaron Frimkess will be honored in a special pregame ceremony.

Recapping The MPSF Championship

SDSU was eliminated in the first round of the MPSF Championship after tying UNLV, 3-3. UNLV advanced by edging the Aztecs in a shootout, 4-1. The fourth-seeded Aztecs and fifth-seeded Rebels were tied at three goals apiece following regulation and two overtime-periods were unable to provide a winner setting up the shootout. The Aztecs controlled the first half of play and owned a 3-0 lead at the intermission. Sophomore Kevin Sapanli scored the team's first two goals, one on a penalty kick. SDSU's third score came from junior Adam Kulpa. Eighth-seed New Mexico met up seventh-seed Fresno State in the league's title match, UNM took the match 1-0 in OT and received an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

MPSF Honorees

Sophomore Kevin Sapanli's performance in the MPSF championships earned him a spot on the 2001 MPSF all-tournament team. Sapanli is also one of four Aztecs named to the all-conference team. Sapanli and junior defender Ryan Cook were both named to the league's second-team. Senior midfielder Enrique Tovar and senior goalkeeper Tim Edwards earned a spot on the league's first-team. Tovar was a member of last season's all-conference second team.

New Territory

Sunday's match gives SDSU a chance to close the year with a .500 record. The Aztecs have been flirting with that mark all season, achieving it four times this year. The team's Oct. 28 win over New Mexico pushed them to a game above the even mark for the first time this season and the first time since the team was 5-4-1 during the 1998 season. That year the Aztecs moved to at least a game above the even mark on five occasions. (Note: SDSU opened the 1999 and 2000 season 1-0).

New Territory...In League Play

SDSU closed out league play with an above .500 record (3-2-2) for the first time in program history. The last time the Aztecs were above .500 in league play was in 1993 when they opened conference action with a 2-1 record, however the team would finish 2-4-1 in league that year. The

program finished 5-5 in the MPSF in 1994. SDSU has only been affiliated with a conference since 1992. The Aztecs were part of the MPSF from '92-95, with the WAC from '95-98, and back with the MPSF the last three seasons.

Scoring Turnaround

Another sign of the turnaround the Aztec program is making this season comes in terms of scoring. SDSU scored a total of 25 goals during the 2000 campaign compared to the 36 the team has scored thus far this season. The Aztecs are also outscoring their opponents by five goals this season. SDSU has also surpassed its total points from last season, having scored 106 this year in comparison to 74 a season ago.

The Initial Strike

Seventeen of the Aztecs' 36 goals this season have come in the first half. SDSU has been the first team to score 10 times this season and has a 7-2-1 mark when doing so.

Working Overtime

Fans have certainly gotten their money's worth watching the Aztecs this season. The team has played in seven overtime matches, five of which went into a second-overtime period. From Oct. 26-31 SDSU played in three-straight OT matches, that was the fourth-time in program history that has occurred. The squad is 2-2-3 in extended play this season and 19-22-58 all-time when playing past regulation.

Scouting USD

The Toreros (10-3-1) enter the week on a two-match win streak and are unbeaten in four of their last five contests. The team last competed on Nov. 9, picking up a 2-0 win over West Coast Conference opponent San Francisco. The team faces CSU Northridge on Thursday. USD is led by head coach Seamus McFadden, McFadden played at SDSU from 1974-76. USD is also ranked 16th in the NSCAA / adidas poll.

Strength Of Schedule

USD is the fourth ranked opponent the Aztecs face this season. SDSU suffered a season opening 1-0 overtime loss to 13th-ranked Santa Clara on Aug. 31, lost a 2-1 decision to 23rd-ranked UCLA on Oct. 7 and defeated MPSF opponent and 25th-ranked Denver 2-0 on Oct. 12. SDSU also picked up a 2-1 OT win over Brown on Sept. 30. The Bears were ranked ninth in the NSCAA / adidas preseason poll.

Aztec Coaching Staff

San Diego State is led by second-year head coach Lev Kirshner. Kirshner is assisted by Matt Hall, in his second season, and Dave Siracusa, in his first year. Hall, who serves as goalkeeping coach, defended the Aztecs nets for three seasons. Former Aztec Rene Miramontes serves as volunteer coach and advises the team on technical aspects of the game.

SWIMMING and DIVING

Aztecs Head To Utah For Two Meets in Two Days

Schedule and Results (3-0 dual)

Date	Event	Time/Result
Oct. 19-20	at UOP Invitational	3rd/516 pts.
Nov. 3	AIR FORCE NEW MEXICO	W, 93-47 W, 94-46
Nov. 10	at USD	W, 167-129
Nov. 16	at Brigham Young	6 p.m.
Nov. 17	at Utah	Noon
N.29-D.1	at UNLV Invitational	All Day
Dec. 8	NORTHERN ARIZONA	10 a.m.
Jan. 4-5	at UC Irvine Invitational	All Day
Jan. 12	at UC Irvine Fresno State	Noon
Jan. 18	at Hawai'i vs. UNLV	4 p.m.
Jan. 25	at Loyola Marymount Cal Poly	2 p.m.
Jan. 26	at Pepperdine	Noon
F.27-M.2	MWC Championships*	All Day

Home meets in CAPS
Home meets will be held at Southwestern
College in Chula Vista
*Oklahoma City, Okla.

2001-02 Top Times and Scores

50 Free - Heather DeFelice	24.77 (Oct. 19)
100 Free - Erin Kilpatrick	54.25 (Nov. 10)
200 Free - Erin Kilpatrick	1:55.78 (Nov. 10)
500 Free - Megan Storey	5:05.72 (Nov. 3)
1,000 Free - Megan Storey	10:22.35 (Nov. 10)
1,650 Free - Megan Storey	17:20.35 (Oct. 19)
100 Fly - Tara Johnson	58.83 (Nov. 10)
200 Fly - Tara Johnson	2:09.19 (Nov. 3)
100 Back - Meghan Casillan	58.69 (Nov. 10)
200 Back - Meghan Casillan	2:09.10 (Nov. 10)
100 Breast - Heather DeFelice	1:06.08 (Nov. 10)
200 Breast - Heather DeFelice	2:26.13 (Oct. 20)
200 IM - Jennifer Graham	2:10.65 (Nov. 10)
400 IM - Erin Kilpatrick	4:39.59 (Nov. 3)

Relays

200 Free Relay - SDSU "A"	1:40.88 (Oct. 19)
400 Free Relay - Ryan, DeFelice, Graham, Johnson	3:37.76 (Nov. 10)
800 Freestyle Relay - Ryan, Storey, Feder, Kilpatrick	7:59.41 (Oct. 20)
200 Medley Relay - Casillan, Karacozoff, Johnson, DeFelice	1:48.68 (Nov. 10)
400 Medley Relay - SDSU "A"	4:01.87 (Oct. 19)

Diving

1-Meter Diving - Ashley Noyer	164.18 (Nov. 3)
3-Meter Diving - Teri Hodgkinson	145.10 (Nov. 3)

This Week

The San Diego State swimming and diving team travels to Utah this week for a pair of dual-meet competitions. The Aztecs meet up with Mountain West Conference opponents Brigham Young on Friday at 6 p.m. in Provo and will be in Salt Lake City a day later for a noon meet with Utah. SDSU comes off a 167-129 win over USD on Saturday. The victory is its third consecutive in dual competition this season.

USD Recap

Senior Meghan Casillan placed first in three events and senior Heather DeFelice first in two events Saturday versus USD. All three of Casillan's top finishes were also season-best times for the Aztecs. She swam the 100-yard backstroke in 58.69, the 200 back in 2:09.10 and the 200 individual medley in 2:10.65. Casillan's finishes were part of a string of seven more season bests set by SDSU on Saturday. Sophomore Megan Storey's first-place time of 10:22.35 in the 1,000 freestyle was the fastest in that event this season as was senior Tara Johnson's first-place clocking of 58.83 in the 100 butterfly. Junior Erin Kilpatrick was responsible for two season bests, one in the 200 free (1:55.78) and another in the 100 free (54.25). DeFelice's top finish in the 100 breaststroke (1:06.08) gave the Aztecs another season best. Her other top finish of the afternoon came in the 50 free (25.06). SDSU also set season bests in the 200 medley relay (1:48.68) and 400 free relay (3:37.76). Both of those times were good for first place and helped the Aztecs claim a sweep in relay competition. Overall, SDSU won 9-of-14 swimming events to capture its third straight victory this season in dual meet action.

SDSU This Season

Prior to the USD meet, SDSU swept a double dual with Mountain West Conference foes Air Force and New Mexico. The Aztecs won 12-of-14 swimming events on their way to wins over AirForce, 93-47, and New Mexico, 94-46. The meet was the first of two home events for the Aztecs this season. The Aztecs opened their 2001-02 season on Oct. 19-20 (Fri.-Sat.) at the Pacific Invitational, placing third in the two-day event. Sophomore Jennifer Graham had three top-five finishes on Saturday to lead the team. The Santa Rosa native finished fourth in the 100 butterfly and 200 breaststroke and fifth in the 100 breast. Aztec senior Heather DeFelice had two top-10 finishes on Friday and turned in her best performance of the meet with a third-place swim in the 200 breast on Saturday. Sophomore Megan Storey was the Aztecs' only individual medalist on Friday, winning the 1,650 freestyle with a time of 17:20.35, 27 seconds faster than her nearest competitor.

This Week ...

Fri., Nov. 16 at Brigham Young

Sat., Nov. 17 at Utah

On The List

Six Aztecs are listed among the Mountain West Conference's top-five times in several events this season. Sophomore Megan Storey is listed in three events. She owns the league's fastest time in the 1,650 freestyle (17:20.35) and fourth best in the 500 free (5:05.72) and 1,000 free (10:26.50). Senior Meghan Casillan is listed twice, third in both the 100 and 200 backstroke with times of 58.97 and 2:09.55, respectively. Senior Tara Johnson is also featured twice, ranking fourth in the 100 butterfly (59.53) and second in the 200 butterfly (2:09.19). Joining Johnson in the 100 fly category is sophomore Jennifer Graham with the fifth-fastest time of 59.87. Senior Heather DeFelice is second in the 100 breaststroke (1:06.13) and junior Erin Kilpatrick third in the 400 individual medley (4:39.59).

Cleaning Up

The Aztecs have placed first in 21 events thus far this season. Twelve of those wins have come by way of three athletes - seniors Meghan Casillan (5) and Heather DeFelice (4) and sophomore Megan Storey (3). SDSU has eight 1-2 sweeps and one 1-2-3-4 sweep this season. SDSU has also yet to lose a relay event in dual competition this season.

On The Chart

Sophomore Jennifer Graham, a transfer from Santa Rosa JC, moved into the Aztecs' top-five all-time bests in the 100 and 200 breaststroke after her performance at the Pacific Invite. Graham swam the school's fourth-best time of 1:07.42 in the 100 and fourth-best in the 200 (2:26.16).

Welcome To Sea Level

SDSU hosts two meets this year. The first, in which the Aztecs swept Air Force and New Mexico, was on Nov. 3 and the second comes against Northern Arizona on Dec. 8 at 10 a.m. All home meets will be held at Southwestern College in Chula Vista.

Practice Times

The Aztecs will conduct their training this season at City Heights Pool. For future practice times or directions to the pool, contact the Aztec Media Relations office (619) 594-5547.

Aztec Coaching Staff

SDSU head coach Deena Deardurff Schmidt is in her eighth season as head coach of the Aztec swimming and diving program. Schmidt is assisted by Greg Hutt, also in his eighth season.

Looking Ahead

SDSU will take next weekend off from competition for the Thanksgiving holiday. The team hits the pool again on Nov. 29 for the three-day UNLV Invitational in Las Vegas.