

Aztec Water Polo

This Week's Games:

Mar. 28 ..at No. 1 UCLA3 p.m.
 Mar. 29 ..at No. 11 UC Santa Barbara ..12 p.m.



2003 SCHEDULE (13-7, 3-4 MPSF)

Date	Opponent/Tournament	Result/Time
Feb. 8	vs. CSU Bakersfield^	W, 16-5
Feb. 8	vs. No. 17 Hartwick^	W, 17-8
Feb. 9	vs. No. 6 Loyola Marymount^	L, 4-5
Feb. 9	vs. No. 4 Long Beach State^	W, 6-5 (ot)
Feb. 14	at No. 4 Long Beach State*	L, 4-10
Feb. 15	at No. 3 USC*	L, 7-11
Feb. 21	No. 8 SAN JOSE STATE*	W, 9-4
Mar. 1	vs. Claremont-Mudd-Scripps#	W, 13-5
Mar. 1	at No. 9 UC San Diego#	W, 8-4
Mar. 6	No. 17 UC IRVINE*	W, 12-4
Mar. 8	at No. 11 UC Santa Barbara~	W, 8-5
Mar. 8	vs. No. 2 USC~	L, 4-10
Mar. 9	vs. No. 6 Loyola Marymount~	W, 7-6 (ot)
Mar. 9	vs. No. 5 California~	L, 8-10
Mar. 15	No. 5 CALIFORNIA*	L, 8-9
Mar. 16	PACIFIC*	W, 10-4
Mar. 16	No. 17 PRINCETON	W, 10-4
Mar. 17	No. 13 INDIANA	W, 11-4
Mar. 23	No. 2 STANFORD*	L, 4-11
Mar. 23	No. 18 BROWN	W, 11-6
Mar. 28	at UCLA*	3 p.m.
Mar. 29	at UC Santa Barbara	12 p.m.
Apr. 4	at Hawai'i*	6 p.m.
Apr. 12-13	at Long Beach Invitational	All Day
Apr. 19	UC SAN DIEGO (Harper Cup)	5 p.m.
Apr. 25-27	at MPSF Championship	All Day
May 10-11	NCAA Championship%	All Day

Home matches in bold, played at the Ray & Joan Kroc Community Center (6737 University Ave., San Diego, Calif.)
 * - Mountain Pacific Sports Federation match, ^ - UCSD Arena Invitational, # - UC San Diego Mini-Tournament, ~ - UC Santa Barbara Invitational, % - Held at UCSD's Canyonview Pool

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Player	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.
1	Ashley Zabel	Jr.	G	5-11
1A	Sara Daseler	Jr.	G	6-0
1B	Cindy Ayala	So.	G	5-6
2	Kristin Moore	Jr.	2MD	5-7
3	Savanah Kelley	Fr.	2MD	5-8
4	Heidi Matsumoto	Sr.	DR	5-6
5	Casey Finnegan	Sr.	U	5-6
6	Dominique Delgado	So.	DR	5-5
7	Rachel Serna	Fr.	DR	5-6
8	Ashleigh May	Sr.	DR	5-5
9	Sandy Onweller	Jr.	DR	5-4
10	Amber Prestegard	Sr.	U	5-7
11	Chelsy Smith	Jr.	U	5-7
12	Donna Stivers	Jr.	DR	5-5
13	Becky Sensney	Sr.	U	5-5
14	Holly Hartzell	Jr.	2M	5-10
15	Brenna Wylie	Sr.	U	5-5
16	Monica DeRosier	So.	2M	5-11
17	Susan Stivers	Fr.	DR	5-4
18	Katelyn Schlactus	Fr.	2MD	5-8
19	Jackie Lopez	Sr.	DR	5-0
20	Taylor Cranney	Fr.	U	5-10
21	Alyssa Banks	Fr.	U	5-7
22	Veronica Ortega	Fr.	DR	5-8

Head Coach: Carin Crawford (5th year, 97-73 overall)
Assistant Coach: Kenny Delp (1st year)
Student Assistant: Heather Stiles

MPSF Standings (as of Mar. 24)

School	MPSF	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
1. USC	7-0	1.000	14-2	.875
2. Stanford	3-0	1.000	11-1	.916
3. UCLA	4-2	.667	14-3	.769
Long Beach State	4-2	.667	12-5	.706
5. California	2-2	.500	9-5	.643
6. San Diego State	3-4	.429	13-7	.650
7. San Jose State	2-3	.400	12-8	.600
Hawai'i	2-3	.400	4-9	.308
9. UC Santa Barbara	1-3	.250	9-8	.529
10. UC Irvine	1-5	.167	11-12	.478
11. Pacific	0-5	.000	5-12	.294

AWPCA Top 20 (Mar. 26)

Rank	School	Last	Rank	School	Last
1.	UCLA	1	11.	UC Santa Barbara	11
2.	Stanford	2	12.	Michigan	12
3.	USC	3	13.	Princeton	15
4.	Long Beach State	4	14.	Indiana	14
5.	California	5	15.	UC Irvine	13
6.	San Diego State	6	UC Davis	T-16	
7.	Loyola Marymount	7	17.	Hartwick	T-16
8.	Hawai'i	8	18.	Brown	18
9.	San Jose State	9	19.	Cal Baptist	19
10.	UC San Diego	10	20.	Arizona State	20

Water Polo Returns To Conference Play With Pair Of Key Road Games

The sixth-ranked San Diego State women's water polo team, winner of four of its last five games, hits the road this weekend looking to unbalance the top of the conference standings and national rankings with two MPSF contests at ranked opponents.

With only games against Hawai'i and UC San Diego as well as the Long Beach Invitational, the Aztecs (13-7 overall/3-4 MPSF) have perhaps their last regular-season chance at a major upset when they visit No. 1 UCLA (14-3/4-2) Friday for a 3 p.m. date with the Bruins. SDSU then looks to duplicate its first win at the Gauch Invitational when it travels to No. 11 UC Santa Barbara (9-8/1-3) on Saturday at noon.

Recapping The Weekend's Games

SDSU completed a six-game homestand at the Ray and Joan Kroc Center when it played a pair of ranked foes on Sunday, hosting MPSF rival No. 2 Stanford for the early game and welcoming in spring-breaking No. 18 Brown for the late contest.

The Cardinal returned from a two-week break and its only loss of the season to hand the SDSU an 11-4 loss. Brenda Villa tallied three goals and goalkeeper Jackie Frank made eight saves for Stanford, which scored 10 of the game's last 12 goals after an early 2-1 SDSU lead. Senior Casey Finnegan was held scoreless for the first time this season, but four different players scored for the Aztecs and junior goalie Ashley Zabel made seven saves.

The Aztecs bounced back with an 11-6 win over a scrappy Brown team that gave SDSU a better game than the score indicated. The Bears held a 3-2 lead after one quarter, but SDSU ended up scoring seven second-half goals including three from senior Amber Prestegard. The Aztecs sweep their three games against eastern opponents over the week as junior goalie Sara Daseler made nine saves.

A Week In The Life Of Holly Hartzell

Junior 2-meter Holly Hartzell (Vista, Calif./Fallbrook HS) led the Aztecs in scoring in each game as sixth-ranked San Diego State won two of three this week against a trio of ranked opponents.

Hartzell, who leads SDSU with 40 goals this season, began the week by tallying four scores in an 11-4 win over No. 13 Indiana on Monday and followed up on Sunday with a goal in the loss to No. 2 Stanford and three markers in the 11-6 win over No. 18 Brown. The eight goals in three games bring Hartzell within two of the 200 mark for her career at 198, fourth-most in school history.

One of the country's top finishers, Hartzell has now recorded multiple goals in 12 of 19 games this season and has been held off the scoreboard only three times this season. She has scored in each of her last eight contests and has 18 goals over that span. Hartzell's line for the week: 8 goals, 1 assist, 5 steals.



Holly Hartzell

Aztec 2-Meter Shots

After four double-digit scoring efforts in the first

15 games of the season, SDSU has reached at least 10 goals in four of its last five contests, with all four resulting in victories. The scoring is the result of increased shot attempts, as SDSU has reached at least 23 shots in each of those games, including three with 33 shots, despite shooting a lower percentage (30.9 percent in last five games compared to 35.0 percent in first 15 contests of the season).



Amber Prestegard

At least four different Aztecs have scored in the last 15 games, with SDSU winning 10 (66.7 percent).

Senior Amber Prestegard's 23 assists through 20 games already ranks ninth on the SDSU season list. Prestegard, who holds SDSU's career record with 103 assists, also possesses the single-season mark with 43 in 2001.

Scouting The Week's Opponents

Top-ranked UCLA returns from 11 days before carrying its nine-game winning streak into Thursday's match with No. 18 Brown before facing the Aztecs on Friday at Sunset Canyon Rec Center. Junior Natalie Golda leads the Bruins with 32 goals, while senior Jaime Hipp has made 121 saves and allows just 3.93 goals per game. The Bruins, who allow just an average of 3.4 goals through 17 games, are meeting the Aztecs for the first time this season. UCLA has dominated the all-time series with a record of 23-3 and the Aztecs have not defeated the Bruins in the last seven seasons.

No. 11 UC Santa Barbara is spending most of its current spring break at home. However, it is not much of a break, as the Gauchos are in the midst of a six-game week with three straight wins (and five consecutive victories overall going into Thursday's game at Arizona State) to begin the stretch. Seniors Teresa Gorbett and Erin Lezak have supplied the 1-2 scoring punch for the Gauchos with 33 and 31 goals, respectively, while junior goalie Kristen McGlennon has seen the majority of time lately and has made 79 saves and allowed 51 goals in 12 games. SDSU won this season's earlier meeting at the Gauch Invitational, 8-5, and holds an all-time record of 22-8 vs. UCSB.

Head Coach Carin Crawford

In her fifth season leading the Aztec program, Crawford has guided the Aztecs to four straight top-eight national finishes and seasons of 18 or more wins while compiling an overall record of 97-73. She has coached six All-Americans, seven all-MPSF performers, 10 all-MPSF academic selections and 13 AWPCA all-academic honorees.

2003 Aztec Women's Water Polo Stat Leaders

No	Player	Goals Goals					
		GP-GS	Att	Scored	Ast	Stl Saves	
1	Ashley Zabel	15-13	1	0	9	8	112
1A	Sara Daseler	11-7	0	0	4	11	67
5	Casey Finnegan	18-18	86	28	16	45	1
6	Dominique Delgado	19-9	37	12	13	21	2
9	Sandy Onweller	19-11	45	11	10	7	3
10	Amber Prestegard	19-19	89	38	23	10	0
11	Chelsy Smith	20-1	34	12	5	5	1
14	Holly Hartzell	19-19	87	40	13	31	1