#7 Kevin O'Connell QB, 6-6, 235, Sr.-3L, Carlsbad, Calif. (La Costa Canyon)

Started 33 games from 2004-07 ... First in school history in career rushing yards by a quarterback (1,312) and career rushing TDs by a QB (19) ... A dual-threat QB ... Has a rare signal-caller combination of size and athleticism ... An intelligent, mature player ... 3rd in Aztec career history in passing yardage (7,689) and 2nd in attempts (1,151) and completions (664) ... 33 career starts are second all-time ... Is second in career total offense (9,001) and fourth in career TD passes (46) ... Team captain four years.

2007: Second-team all-Mountain West Conference ... Phil Steele's 2007 All-Mountain West Conference third team ... First Aztec to lead the team in both rushing (408 yards) and passing (3,063 yards) in the same campaign ... Set school's season record with 11 rushing TDs by a quarterback ... His 2007 numbers rank him fourth in Aztec season history in total offense (3,471), fifth in passing attempts (439), sixth in completions (257) and ninth in passing yards (3,063) ... Starter in the opener with Washington State, throwing for 273 yards and a touchdown ... Completed 28 of his 44 attempts with one interception ... Scored his ninth career rushing TD at Arizona State, rushing for 38 yards on 11 carries and throwing for 180 yards ... Career game against Portland State, throwing for 443 yards and five touchdowns (no INTs) ... His 443 yards are the 16th-most in school history ... Completed 20 of his 27 pass attempts against No. 24 Cincinnati for 253 yards and a TD ... Ran for a career-best three touchdowns, including the game-winner with 43 seconds remaining at CSU ... Surpassed the 1,000 career yard mark in rushing at Utah ... Saw his string of 17 straight quarters without a pick come to and end vs. the Utes ... Two rushing scores against New Mexico, running for 82 yards on 11 carries ... Logged the school-record 15th career rushing TD and his seventh of the season versus Wyoming ... Ran for 41 yards and threw for 249 yards with two more TDs in the win over the Cowboys ... Two passing TDs against UNLV ... Set school record for most rushing TDs in a season with his eighth at Air Force ... Also threw for 384 yards against the Falcons, his third career game of 300 or more yards through the air Matched his career best in attempts with 51 against TCU, completing 26 of them for 366 yards and a pair of TDs ... Career-long and school-record 97-yard TD toss to Chaz Schilens in the first half against the Horned Frogs ... Also added 58 yards on the ground and a TD ... Combined for 349 yards of total offense in his final game as an Aztec versus BYU ... Ran for a team-best 61 yards, including a pair of TDs, and also completed 33-of-55 pass attempts for 288 yards and a score against the Cougars ... His 55 pass attempts were a career-high, which his 33 completions match his career best ... Ranked 24th in total offense and 27th nationally in passing per game ... Received the John Simcox Memorial Award as the team's MVP ... Also garnered Byron H. Chase Memorial Trophy as team offensive MVP ... Played in two postseason all-star games, the Hula Bowl and the 83rd Annual East-West Shrine Bowl ... Invitee to the NFL Combine.

2006: Missed six games due to injury, starting four times, including the final three ... Started his 18th straight game in the opener with UTEP ... Completed his first 12 pass

attempts versus the Miners and ended up 12-for-14 for 97 yards ... Also ran for 25 yards before leaving the game in the third quarter due to injury ... Had surgery on his right thumb (Sept. 4) and has missed the last five contests ... Returned to practice Oct. 15 and dressed for the Air Force and Cal Poly games but did not play ... Saw action for the first time after his injury at Wyoming, leading the Aztecs to a fourth-quarter touchdown... Found Brett Swain for a 66-yard TD - SDSU's longest play from scrimmage in 2006 ... Was 4-for-6 for 94 yards through the air ... Completed all seven of his pass attempts for 68 yards against UNLV and also scored a one-yard TD ... Starter at TCU, attempting 15 passes (6 completions) and logging seven carries ... Threw for a season-high 272 yards and two scores at New Mexico, completing 23 of his 40 attempts with a 13 for 16 mark in the second half ... Team's leading rusher against the Lobos with 12 carries for 56 yards ... Ran for a team-high 68 yards and a touchdown in the win over Colorado State.

2005: Played and started all 12 contests ... Ended the year ranked 47th nationally in passing efficiency (132.10) and 29th in total offense (255.4/g) ... His 3,065 yards of total offense rank ninth in Aztec history ... His 402 yards on the ground are a school singleseason record by a quarterback ... Thrown at least one TD in 16 of his last 18 games ... Set several career highs in the finale at Hawai'i, completing 33 of his 51 pass attempts for 421 yards and three scores ... First Aztec to throw for over 400 yards since 2002 ... Completed 25 passes for 235 yards vs. TCU ... Threw for three scores and ran for another in win at Utah ... Was also team's leading rusher against the Utes with a careerlong 61-yard rush in the second quarter ... Streak of 88 straight pass attempts without an INT snapped at UNLV ... Completed his first 12 pass attempts vs. BYU, finishing the game 21-for-31 for 243 yards ... Also added a rushing TD against the Cougars ... Careerhigh 271 yards passing (23-for-29), four touchdowns and no INTs in the rout of San Jose State ... Also ran for 49 yards on a career-high 23 carries against the Spartans ... Completed 12-of-17 passes for 159 yards at Ohio State ... Connected on a career-long 80yard touchdown strike to Brett Swain in the Aztecs' first play from scrimmage in the first quarter at OSU ... Passed for 227 yards, including an 18-yard touchdown against Air Force, and ran for 52 yards on 11 carries (4.7 avg.) and a touchdown ... Threw for 204 yards and ran for 50 more vs. UCLA.

2004: Started the final five games of the season and led SDSU to a 2-3 record ... Got his first start at New Mexico, becoming the first freshman quarterback to open a game for the Aztecs since Spencer Brinton in 1997 ... Against BYU, he became just the second Aztec quarterback to rush for 100 yards since 1980 and the first player in SDSU history to rush for 100 yards (101) and pass for 200 (229) in the same game ... Nearly turned that trick again when he rushed for 82 yards at Air Force ... Tossed a TD pass in each of the last six games of the season, including two against Utah and Air Force ... Lone rushing touchdown of the season came against the Utes ... Came off the bench to rally SDSU to 11 fourth-quarter points and a late lead against Colorado State ... Finished third in the league in total offense for conference games (215.9 yards) and fifth in passing (174.9) and passing efficiency (102.0) ... Had a season-best 252 passing yards against undefeated Utah ... In the two season-ending wins over Air Force and UNLV, he was 33-of-57 for 407 yards with three TDs and one INT ... Finished third on the team with 347 rushing yards ... Ended the year as a team captain.

2003: Redshirted his first year on campus.

High School: A football and basketball standout ... Had a big senior season after losing part of his junior year to injury ... All-region by SuperPrep and honorable mention all-region by PrepStar ... Passed for 1,950 yards and 19 touchdowns for the 7-4 Mavs ... Also ran for 310 yards ... An all-league, all-North County and all-San Diego selection ... Team MVP ... Earned three letters in football and two letters in basketball ... Threw for 980 yards and seven scores as a junior on 56 completions.

Personal: Born May 25, 1985, in Knoxville, Tenn. ... Son of Bill and Suzanne O'Connell ... Father is employed by the FBI ... Majoring in political science.

O'CONNELL'S CAREER PASSING STATISTICS

Career Statistics	\mathbf{G}	Att.	Com.	INT	Yds.	TDs	Eff.	Tot. Off.
2004	9	236	115	9	1,328	9	101.0	1,675
2005	12	375	233	12	2,663	19	132.1	3,065
2006	6	101	59	5	635	3	111.1	790
2007	12	439	257	8	3,063	15	124.8	3,471
Totals	39	1,151	664	34	7,689	46	121.8	9,001

Career Highs: Attempts: 51 vs. TCU (11/24/07), at Hawai'i (12/3/05); Completions: 33 at Hawai'i (12/3/05); Passing Yards: 443 vs. PSU (9/22/05); Long Pass: 80 at Ohio St. (9/17/05); TDs Passing: 5 vs. PSU (9/22/05); Carries: 23 vs. SJSU (9/24/05); Rushing Yards: 101 at BYU (11/6/04); Rushing TDs: 3 at CSU (10/6/07); Longest Rush: 61 at Utah (10/15/05).

O'CONNELL GAME-BY-GAME

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	Att.	Com.	INT	Yds.	TDs	Att.	Yds.	TDs
Idaho State (9/4/04)	14	5	1	58	1	7	54	0
at Michigan (9/18/04)				DNP-CD				
Nevada (9/25/04)				DNP-CD				
at UCLA (10/2/04)	10	7	0	46	0	1	6	0
at Wyoming (10/9/04)	7	1	0	14	0	4	15	0
Colorado State (10/16/04)	26	11	1	157	1	6	42	0
at New Mexico (10/23/04)*	32	16	2	165	1	13	-13	0
Utah (10/30/04)*	43	21	2	252	2	12	34	1
at BYU (11/6/04)*	47	21	2	229	1	15	101	0
at Air Force (11/13/04)*	32	17	1	232	2	8	82	0
UNLV (11/20/04)*	25	16	0	175	1	7	26	0
UCLA (9/3/05)*	26	19	2	204	1	15	50	0
at Air Force (9/10/05)*	39	24	1	227	1	11	52	1
at Ohio St. (9/17/05)*	17	12	0	159	1	8	-9	0
San Jose St. (9/24/05)*	29	23	0	271	4	23	49	0
BYU (10/1/05)*	31	21	0	243	0	7	37	1
at UNLV (10/8/05)*	28	14	3	106	0	17	-16	0
at Utah (10/15/05)*	23	17	0	219	3	9	88	1
UNM (10/22/05)*	34	15	2	197	2	11	37	0

TCU (10/29/05)* at CSU (11/12/05)* WYO (11/19/05)* at Hawai'i (12/3/05)* UTEP (8/31/06)* at Wisconsin (9/16/06) UTAH (9/23/06)	46 24 27 51 14	25 14 16 33 12	2 2 1 1 1	235 179 202 421 97 DNP		17 9 7 6 9	49 42 23 11 25	1 0 0 1 0			
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at WYO (11/4/06)	6	4	0	94	1	1	-3	0			
UNLV (11/11/06)	7	7	0	68	0	6	14	1			
at TCU (11/18/06)*	15	6	1	53	0	7	-5	0			
at UNM (11/25/06)*	40	23	3	272	2	12	56	0			
CSU (12/2/06)*	19	7	0	51	0	12	68	1			
vs. WSU (9/8/07)*	44	28	1	273	1	9	3	0			
at ASU (9/15/07)*	38	22	1	180	0	11	38	1			
PSU (9/22/07)*	31	19	0	443	5	7	15	0			
CINCINNATI (9/29/07)*	27	20	0	253	1	5	-8	0			
at CSU (10/6/07)*	26	13	0	184	0	16	41	3			
at Utah (10/13/07)*	31	14	1	114	0	14	24	0			
UNM (10/20/07)*	26	18	0	133	0	11	82	2			
WYO (11/3/07)*	44	20	2	249	2	14	41	1			
at UNLV (11/10/07)*	23	17	1	196	2	10	31	0			
at AFA (11/17/07)*	43	27	1	384	1	10	22	1			
TCU (11/24/07)*	51	26	0	366	2	11	58	1			
BYU (12/1/07)*	55	33	1	288	1	17	61	2			
* = games started											

2007 Highs: Attempts: 55 vs. BYU (12/1/07); Completions: 33 vs. BYU (12/1/07); Passing Yards: 443 vs. PSU (9/22/07); Long Pass: 97 vs. TCU (11/24/07); Passing TDs: 5 vs. PSU (9/22/07); Carries: 17 vs. BYU (12/1/07); Rushing Yards: 82 vs. UNM (10/20/07); Rushing TDs: 3 at CSU (10/6/07); Longest Rush: 24 at CSU (10/6/07).