

# SDSU Men's Tennis



**This Week: Jan. 29, vs. UC Riverside/Northern Arizona - 9:30 a.m./2:30 p.m.**

## 2005 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Jan. 22	at USC	L, 5-2
Jan. 29	UC Riverside	9:30 p.m.
	Northern Arizona	2:30 p.m.
Feb. 4	at UCLA	1:30 p.m.
Feb. 13	Pacific	12 p.m.
Feb. 17-20	Natl Indoor Champs.#	All Day
Feb. 21	Fresno State	1 p.m.
Mar. 4-6	Pacific Coast Doubles!	All Day
Mar. 6	Washington	TBA
Mar. 7	Yale@	1:30 p.m.
Mar. 10-13	Blue Gray Invite%	All Day
Mar. 19	Va. Commonwealth	12 p.m.
Mar. 29	Harvard&	1:30 p.m.
Mar. 30	at UC Santa Barbara	1:30 p.m.
Apr. 1	*Utah	2 p.m.
Apr. 2	*BYU	1 p.m.
Apr. 3	*UNLV	12 p.m.
Apr. 6	San Diego	1:30 p.m.
Apr. 14	at Denver	2 p.m.
Apr. 16	*vs. New Mexico\$	2 p.m.
Apr. 17	*at Air Force	10 a.m.
Apr. 28-30	MWC Champs.^	All Day
Mar. 14-15	NCAA Regionals	All Day
Mar. 21-30	NCAA Champs.-	All Day

Home matches in bold, played at and SDSU Tennis Stadium  
 All times local to site  
 # at Champaign, Ill.  
 ! at La Jolla, Calif.  
 % at Montgomery, Ala.  
 & at Santa Barbara, Calif.  
 \$ at Colorado Springs, Colo.  
 ^ at Barnes Tennis Center, San Diego, Calif.  
 - at College Station, Tex.  
 \* Mountain West Conference Match

## 2005 Roster

Name (Yr.)	Hometown
Matt Bittner (Fr.)	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Armando Carrascosa (Sr.)	Mexicali, Baja Calif. Mexico
Markus Dickhardt (So.)	Marburg, Germany
Chris Groh (So.)	Craillsheim, Germany
Dontia Haynes (Sr.)	Bellflower, Calif.
Daniel Jung (Sr.)	Villmar, Germany
Nima Ossareh (Fr.)	Bethesda, Md.
Eugenio Romero (Jr.)	Ensenada, Baja Calif. Mexico
Benedikt Stronk (Jr.)	Berlin, Germany

**Head Coach:** Gene Carswell (New Mexico '93), Second Season

**Assistant Coach:** Oliver Maiberger (San Diego State '03), Second Season

**Volunteer Assistant:** Devin Bowen (Texas Christian '94), First Season

## Aztecs Return Home For A Doubleheader Against UC Riverside, Northern Arizona On Saturday

• The No. 71 San Diego State men's tennis team (0-1) returns home to face UC Riverside (1-1) and Northern Arizona (0-1) on Saturday after beginning the 2005 campaign on the road last weekend. The UC Riverside match is scheduled for a 9:30 a.m. start, followed by Northern Arizona at 2:30 p.m.

This is third meeting between the Aztecs and Highlanders since 1996 and the first since the 2001 campaign. In the previous two meetings, SDSU has defeated UCR, 7-0, in 2000 and 6-1, in 2001.

The Lumberjacks will be facing the Aztecs for the first time in school history.

After a brief two match homestand, the Aztecs will head back to Los Angeles to face UCLA on Feb. 4.

## Weekend Wrap Up

• The San Diego State men's tennis team opened the 2005 campaign on the road on Jan. 22 and dropped a 5-2 decision to No. 8 Southern California at Marks Stadium in the season opener for both schools.

In singles action, junior Benedikt Stronk defeated No. 97 Johan Berg in three sets, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3, at number two singles. At the number five position, sophomore Chris Groh recorded the Aztecs other singles victory with a, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4, win over Kaes Van't Hof.

In addition to posting SDSU's singles wins, the two paired up at number two doubles to defeat the duo of Johan Berg/Jeff Kazarian, 7-6 (6).

## #8 USC 5, #71 San Diego State 2

### Doubles

(1) Al-Agba/Hoskins (USC) def. Carrascosa/Jung (SDSU) - 8-3

(2) Groh/Stronk (SDSU) def. Berg/Kazarian (USC) - 7-6 (6)

(3) Van't Hof/Wright (USC) def. Dickhardt/Haynes (SDSU) - 8-3

USC wins doubles point.

### Singles

(1) #86 Jamil Al-Agba (USC) vs. #51 Armando/Carrascosa (SDSU) - 6-4, 6-2

(2) Benedikt Stronk (SDSU) def. #97 Johan Berg (USC) - 3-6, 6-3, 6-3

(3) #116 Drew Hoskins (USC) vs. Markus Dickhardt (SDSU) - 7-6, 7-6

(4) Brian Wright (USC) vs. #91 Dontia Haynes (SDSU) - 7-5, 6-3

(5) Christian Groh (SDSU) def. Kaes Van't Hof (USC) - 6-2, 4-6, 6-4

(6) Adam Loucks (USC) def. Daniel Jung (SDSU) - 6-3, 6-2

Order of Finish: D1, D3\*, D2, S6, S4, S1\*, S3, S2, S5

\* Match-clinching victories.

## Scouting the Highlanders

• UC Riverside is 1-1 on the season after falling to the Air Force Academy, 5-2, in their season opener and defeating St. Mary's (CA), 4-3, on Sunday.

The Highlanders are led by junior Norman Tam

and sophomore Mark Contreras. The lone senior on the squad is Jeremy Owens, a junior college transfer from Palomar Junior College in nearby San Marcos.

## Scouting the Lumberjacks

• The Lumberjacks are coming off a season opening 5-2 loss to No. 26 Arizona back on Jan. 16.

Northern Arizona is led by its four seniors, Jeremy Coll, Jonas Jegers, Jamie Maxwell and Thibault Schram. Also on the roster is San Diego native Ronnie Tuttle. Tuttle, a 2003 graduate of Rancho Bernardo High School, is a freshman on the squad.

## Carswell's New Addition

• Head coach Gene Carswell enters his second season at the helm of the men's tennis program. After a stellar collegiate career and five years as an SDSU assistant coach, Carswell brings a ton of knowledge and experience to the program. Add in the fact that assistant coach Oliver Maiberger was a five-time All-American and now you have one of the most knowledgeable staffs in the Mountain West Conference.

But if you could add a coach with an outstanding collegiate career and professional tennis experience, certainly anyone would jump on the opportunity. That is exactly what Carswell did with the addition of volunteer assistant Devin Bowen.

Bowen, a four-year letterwinner at Texas Christian, earned all-Southwest Conference team singles and doubles honors from 1992-94. His doubles team was ranked as high as No. 2 nationally and individually, was ranked 31st in singles.

After his collegiate career ended, Bowen enjoyed success as a professional. In 2003, he reached a career high doubles ranking of No. 39. He played in 27 consecutive grand slam events reaching the quarterfinal round of the U.S. Open in 2001 and 2002.

Bowen, who has maintained a world ranking from 1990-present, has collected wins over Gustavo Kuerten, Carlos Moya, Marat Safin and Marty Fish as well as world No. 1 doubles team of Jared Palmer and Don Johnson.

In 2003, Bowen won the doubles ATP Tour event in Amersfoort, The Netherlands.

## The Future is Now

• The Aztecs return four letterwinners from last year's 11-9 (2-2 MWC) team. Among the returners are seniors Armando Carrascosa, Dontia Haynes and Daniel Jung. Also returning is the 2004 Mountain West Conference freshman of the year Markus Dickhardt. In addition to the four letterwinners, junior Benedikt Stronk and sophomore Chris Groh will see their first action after fulfilling their residency requirements.

New to the program are junior college transfer Eugenio Romero and freshmen Matt Bittner and Nima Ossareh. Romero is expected to play immediately with the two freshmen utilizing their redshirt year.

## Did You Know?

• Since 1996, the Aztecs have lost their season opener seven times. In five of those seasons, SDSU has finished with double-digit wins and a record above .500.