# **SDSU Water Polo**



April 27-30 at Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Championships (Irvine, Calif.)

#### 2006 Schedule/Results

#### Overall: 20-10; MPSF: 5-7 Home: 4-3; Away: 4-4; Neutral: 12-3 2.11 vs. #20 Santa Clara^ W. 5-4 2.11 vs. #13 Indiana^ W. 9-7 2.12 vs. #9 Long Beach St.^ L, 6-7 2.12 vs. #10 UCSB^ W. 6-5 2.23 #5 Hawai'i\* L, 3-7 2.24 at #19 CS Northridge\* W, 11-5 2.25 vs. #8 Arizona St.+ W, 4-2 L, 4-11 2.25 vs. #1 USC+ 2.26 vs. #4 Loyola Marymount+ L, 6-7 2.26 vs. #10 San Jose St.+ W, 9-6 3.4 Pacific\* W, 24-5 **Occidental College** W, 17-6 3.11 Long Beach St.\* W, 7-3 3.12 at UCLA\* L, 3-12 3.18 vs. Cal Baptist& W, 12-3 vs. #19 Indiana& W, 12-5 3.19 at #15 Michigan& W, 13-0 vs. Michigan St. (exh.)& W, 13-6 3.24 vs. CS Monterey Bay` W, 20-3 W, 16-0 vs. Colorado St. 3.25 vs. Redlands W, 11-3 W, 14-3 vs. Chapman 3.26 at #11 UC Irvine\* W, 10-5 vs. Maryland~ W, 12-6 3.30 #6 California\* L, 4-7 4.1 #1 USC\* L. 11-16 L, 2-7 4.8 at #2 Stanford\* 4.9 at #8 San Jose St.\* ot-L, 7-8 4.15 #12 UCSB\* W, 11-7 4.20 at #15 UC San Diego W, 6-5 4.22 at #11 Arizona St.\* L, 4-5 4.27 vs. San Jose State~ 3 p.m. 4.28 at MPSF Champs.~ All Day 4.29 at MPSF Champs.~ All Day 4.30 at MPSF Champs.~ All Day 5.12 at NCAA Champs.& All Day 5.13 at NCAA Champs.& All Day 5.14 All Day at NCAA Champs.&

Home games in bold; played at the The Salvation Army Kroc Center. \* Mountain Pacific Sports Federation game. ^ UCSD Triton Invitational (La Jolla, Calif.). + UCSB Gaucho Invitational (Santa Barbara, Calif.). & - Michigan Invitational (Ann Arbor, Mich). \* LMU Invitational (Los Angeles, Calif.). - Irvine, Calif. & Davis, Calif.

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### SDSU Water Polo Heads to MPSF Championship; Faces San Jose State in First Round

• San Diego State (20-10; 5-7 Mountain Pacific Sports Federation), which finished in a tie for seventh place in the MPSF, enters the league tournament as the No. 9 seed and will face eighth-seeded San Jose State (11-13; 5-7 MPSF) in the first round of the MPSF Championship being held in Irvine, Calif., from April 27-30. The match is slated for a 3 p.m. PDT start on Thursday, April 27, at UC Irvine. The winner will advance to play top-seeded USC, April 28, at 12:30 p.m., with the loser facing the loser of the (7)Arizona State-(10)Long Beach State matchup at 11:15 a.m. that same morning.

The Aztecs head into the postseason tournament having gone 1-1 this past week. On April 20, SDSU maintained its possession of the Harper Cup for a fifth consecutive season when it came from behind to defeat No. 15 UC San Diego, 6-5, in Canyonview Pool. Two days later, San Diego State made the trip to Tempe, Ariz., to play No.11 Arizona State in the conference and regular season finale. The Aztecs fell to the Sun Devils, 5-4, and created a three-way tie for seventh in the league with San Jose State, ASU and SDSU. As a result of goal differential tiebreaker rules, the Sun Devils were awarded the No. 7 seed, with the Spartans and Aztecs earning the No. 8 and 9 seeds, respectively.

The winner of the MPSF Championship earns the league's automatic bid to the NCAA Championship in Davis, Calif., May 12-14.

#### A Look at San Jose State

• Similar to San Diego State, San Jose State (11-13; 5-7 MPSF) is coming off a week in which it finished 1-1. On April 21, the Spartans dropped a 9-3 decision to Stanford and came back with a 15-1 win over UC Santa Cruz later in the day. The Aztecs are 1-1 this season vs. SJSU with the Spartans claiming the most recent meeting, 8-7, in overtime in San Jose. However, SDSU won the first meeting on neutral soil, 9-6, in the seventh-place match at the Gaucho Invitational. The Aztecs are 9-6 all-time vs. SJSU.

#### A Look at the Field

• Here is a look at other possible opponents the Aztecs could face in the tournament...

(1)USC: The Aztecs went 0-2 against the Women of Troy this season, losing the first meeting, 11-4, on Feb. 25 at the Gaucho Invitational in Santa Barbara, Calif. The second match was a much more competitive one as SDSU posted 11 goals, the most any team has scored against USC this season, in a 16-11 losing effort in San Diego, April 1. SDSU is 9-22 all-time vs. USC.

(2)UCLA: The Bruins won the only meeting this year, 12-3, in Los Angeles. SDSU is 3-27 vs. UCLA all-time.

(3)STANFORD: The Cardinal escaped with a 7-2 win in Palo Alto, Calif., April 8, in the only game between the two schools. The match was much closer than the score indicates as Stanford tacked on a pair of goals in the final 3 minutes of play to give the contest its final score. The Aztecs own a 9-18 record vs. the Cardinal.

(4)CALIFORNIA: The Golden Bears recorded a 7-4 victory over San Diego State in San Diego, March 30, in their only meeting of the season. Cal holds a 21-8 advantage over the Aztecs.

(5)HAWAI'I: The Rainbow Wahine posted a 7-3 win on Feb. 23 in "America's Finest City" in the only matchup of the year. The Aztecs are 7-11 in school history against UH.

(6)UC IRVINE: San Diego State defeated UC Irvine, 10-5, in their lone match of the season in Irvine on March 26. SDSU has never lost to the Anteaters in 14 all-time meetings.

(7)**ARIZONA STATE:** The Aztecs finished 2006 with a 1-1 record against the Sun Devils. SDSU took the first meeting, 4-2, in the opening match of Gaucho Invitational, Feb. 25. Most recently, ASU avenged the loss by defeating the Aztecs, 5-4, in Tempe on April 22. SDSU is 4-1 in school history vs. ASU.

(10)LONG BEACH STATE: San Diego State split two matches with Long Beach State this year. The 49ers won 7-6 at the UCSD Triton Invitational in the third match of the season. The Aztecs took a lead in the fourth quarter, but could not withstand LBSU's rally as it scored two goals to SDSU's zero. Later in the season, the Aztecs prevailed 7-3 in a match that was delayed due to hail in San Diego, March 11. Against the 49ers, SDSU is 14-11 all-time.

(11)UC SANTA BARBARA: The Aztecs swept their two matches with UC Santa Barbara. this season. In the third-place match at the Triton Invitational in La Jolla, Calif., SDSU emerged victorious with a 6-5 win. More than two months later, the Gauchos made the trip to San Diego and were defeated 11-7 at The Salvation Army Kroc Center. SDSU is 29-10 all-time vs. UCSB.

(12)CS NORTHRIDGE: On Feb. 24, SDSU claimed an 11-5 victory at CS Northridge for its fourth win of the season. The Aztecs have won six of the seven all-time meetings between the two squads.

(13)PACIFIC: The Aztecs set a school record when they scored 24 goals against Pacific, in a 24-5 rout of the Tigers March 4 in San Diego. Seventeen of SDSU's 18 active roster players scored at least one goal in the match, including goalie Sarah Kilgore who saw action as a field player. SDSU is 19-0 against UOP in program history.

#### Aztecs in the MPSF Championship

• San Diego State is 25-19 in the 10-year history of the MPSF Championship. Since 1999, the beginning of Carin Crawford's tenure, the Aztecs have finished no higher than fifth in the tournament and have a combined record

MPSF Standings (as of 4/24)			
School	MPSF	<u>Overall</u>	
1. Southern California	12-0	24-0	
2. UCLA	11-1	24-3	
3. Stanford	10-2	19-4	
4. California	9-3	15-8	
5. Hawai'i	7-5	14-9	
6. UC Irvine	6-6	17-12	
7. Arizona State	5-7	13-11	
San Jose State	5-7	11-13	
San Diego State	5-7	20-10	
10. Long Beach State	4-8	12-12	
11. UC Santa Barbara	3-9	17-16	
12. CS Northridge	1-11	11-18	
13. Pacific	0-12	0-21	

#### Top 20 Poll (as of 4/19)

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<u>School</u>	<u>LW</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Southern California	1	100
UCLA	3	94
Stanford	2	92
Hawai'i	5	84
Loyola Marymount	4	80
California	6	76
UC Irvine	7	70
San Diego State	8	65
San Jose State	9	61
Long Beach State	10	54
Arizona State	12	49
Hartwick College	13	45
UC Santa Barbara	12	41
UC Davis	14	37
UC San Diego	15	28
Indiana	16	25
Michigan	17	20
Santa Clara	18	18
CS Northridge	19	11
Princeton	20	5
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#### **SDSU Quick Facts**

Location: San Diego, Calif. Founded: 1897 Enrollment: 35,887 Nickname: Aztecs Colors: Scarlet and Black Home Facility: The Salvation Army Kroc Center Affilliation: NCAA Division I Conference: Mountain Pacific Sports Federation President: Dr. Stephen L. Weber Athletic Director: Jeff Schemmel Faculty Rep.: Dr. Roger W. Caves Senior Woman Administrator: Kathy Van Wyk

#### Water Polo Staff

Head Coach: Carin Crawford (UC San Diego '89) Record at San Diego State: 167-115 (Eighth Season) Overall Record: Same Assistant Coach: Allison Gregory (San Diego State '00) Volunteer Assistant: Alexis Muecke (UC Davis '02) Water Polo Office Phone: (619) 594-0649

#### 2006 San Diego State Roster

No	Name	Year	Position	Hometown (Last School)
1	Sarah Kilgore	Junior	Goalkeeper	Rossmoor, Calif. (Los Alamitos)
1A	Heather Fenske	2	1	
		Sophomore	Goalkeeper	Lompoc, Calif. (Lompoc)
2	Cia Cobb	Senior	Utility	Yorba Linda, Calif. (Long Beach CC)
3	Savanah Kelley	Senior	Utility	Modesto, Calif. (Johansen)
4	Stacy Werner	Junior	Utility	Lodi, Calif. (Lodi)
5	Elana Cervantes	Junior	Utility	Davis, Calif. (Davis)
6	Ashling Taylor	Freshman	2M Offense	Newport Beach, Calif. (Newport Harbor)
7	Rachel Serna	Senior	Driver	Coronado, Calif. (Coronado)
8	Erin Lester	Freshman	Driver	Lake Forest, Calif. (El Toro)
9	Anna Gonzales	Freshman	2M Defense	Fresno, Calif. (Clovis West)
10	Susan Stivers	Senior	Driver	El Cajon, Calif. (El Cajon Valley)
11	Ashley McCullum	Junior	2M Defense	Poway, Calif. (Univ. of Michigan)
12	Cassie Zebisch	Senior	2M Offense	Anaheim Hills, Calif. (Long Beach CC)
13	Jenna Schuster	Freshman	Utility	Upland, Calif. (Upland)
14	Erinn Greenwood	Freshman	2M Defense	Clovis, Calif. (Buchanan)
15	Lacy Luehrs*	Freshman	2M Defense	Kahuku, Hawaii (Kahuku)
16	Nicole Louie	Freshman	Driver	Santa Barbara, Calif. (Santa Barbara)
17	Becca Ur	Sophomore	2M Offense	Lompoc, Calif. (Cabrillo)
18	Jessica Pace	Freshman	Driver	Santee, Calif. (Santana)
19	Catie Boswell*	Freshman	Utility	Ventura, Calif. (Ventura)
20	Patty Halmay*	Junior	2M Offense	Lakeside, Calif. (Grossmont JC)
21	Jamie Vessey*	Freshman	Driver	Redlands, Calif. (Redlands)
22	Rachel Rife*	Junior	Driver	Rocklin, Calif. (Sierra College)
23	Bekah Rife*	Junior	Driver	Rocklin, Calif. (Sierra College)
* W	ill redshirt in 2006			-

of 15-14. The Aztecs placed fifth in both 2000 and 2003. The 2004 team placed sixth, with the 2001, 2002 and 2005 squads coming in seventh.

#### Last Time Out

• Playing in its regular season finale, the eighth-ranked San Diego State water polo team dropped a 5-4 decision to No. 11 Arizona State at Mona Plummer Aquatic Center Saturday afternoon.

The contest began with both teams trading possessions for the first five and a half minutes before ASU's Tessa Wyborny received a pass from the wing and put her shot past Aztec goalkeeper Sarah Kilgore for the game's first goal.

In the second period, down 1-0, SDSU drew an ejection on the Sun Devil's Addison Doud and promptly called for time. As play resumed, the Aztecs found Elana Cervantes and she tied the scored with her 37th goal of the season.

Coming out of halftime with the scored knotted at one, both schools upped the scoring production as six total goals were posted in the quarter. Savanah Kelley struck first on a 6-on-5 opportunity giving the Aztecs a brief 2-1 lead with 3:58 showing on the clock. Unfortunately for SDSU, the Sun Devils scored four consecutive goals, two on power-play chances and a pair on 4-meter penalty shots, to regain the lead. As the period wound down, Ashling Taylor found the back of the net with a man advantage with 14 seconds remaining to cut San Diego State's deficit to two.

In the fourth quarter, the Aztecs gave themselves a chance to win as they held their second consecutive opponent scoreless in the period. Offensively, however, SDSU scored just once on Kelley's second goal of the game, and ASU walked away with the victory.

In defeat, Kilgore recorded her ninth double-digit save effort of the season with a career-high 17 stops on the afternoon.

#### Aztecs Keep Harper Cup For Fifth Straight Year

• With its win over UC San Diego, April 20, the Aztecs kept the Harper Cup on Montezuma Mesa for the fifth consecutive season. SDSU trailed early, 3-1, after one period, but shut out UCSD and scored three goals in the second period to take a 4-3 lead into halftime. Both schools played even in the third, scoring two goals apiece. In the fourth, neither team scored and the Aztecs held on at the end to pocket the 6-5 victory.

Stacy Werner was named most valubable player making her the first junior to earn the game's award in the five-year history of the event. Her four predecessors, Dominique Delgado, Holly Hartzell, Amber Prestegard and Heather Stiles were all seniors when they earned MVP honors.

The Harper Cup is named for current UCSD men's water polo coach Denny Harper, who coached SDSU head coach Carin Crawford and UCSD women's head coach Larry Sanders while they were attending the La Jolla school. Harper, a SDSU graduate, coached the Triton women to five national championships during his tenure.

#### SDSU Reaches 20-Win Plateau

• San Diego State posted its ninth 20-win campaign in 12 varsity seasons with its 6-5 over UC San Diego. It is the third time in school history that an SDSU team has followed a non-20-win season with 20 or more victories. In fact, each year the Aztecs posted a win total in the teens (17 in 1997 and 18 in 2000), the next year they posted exactly 23 victories (1998 and 2001).

Multiple-Goal	Games	Aztec Record Book	Season Records
•			Goals
Player	Games	Single-Game Records	<ol> <li>Larisa Baltgalvis, 1999</li> <li>Holly Hartzell, 2001</li> </ol>
1. Elana Cervantes	13	Goals	<ol> <li>Holly Hartzell, 2001</li> <li>Sara Hanneman, 1999</li> </ol>
2. Stacy Werner	10	8, Shae Philpott vs. UCSB, 4/26/96	4. Lisa Phillips, 1995
Rachel Serna	10	7, Amber Prestegard at UCI, 2/16/01	5. Shae Philpott, 1996
<ol> <li>Jenna Schuster</li> </ol>	7	6, Holly Hartzell vs. CSUN, 4/18/04 6, Sandy Onweller vs. UH, 2/26/04	Amber Prestegard, 200
Ashling Taylor	7	6, Holly Hartzell vs. HC, 5/4/01	Holly Hartzell, 2002
6. Becca Ur	5	0,110Hy 114H2EH (0,11E,0, 1,01	Rachel Serna, 2006
7. Anna Gonzales	3	Assists	A
Erinn Greenwood	3	5, Elana Cervantes at UCI, 3/26/06	Assists 1. Elana Cervantes, 2005
9. Cassie Zebisch	2	5, Elana Cervantes vs. SJSU, 2/26/06	2. Dominique Delgado, 20
Savanah Kelley	2	5, Stacy Werner at California, 3/6/05	3. Elana Cervantes, 2006
11. Nicole Louie	1	5, Elana Cervantes at UCSB, 2/25/05 5, Sarah Kilgore vs. UOP, 3/13/04	Amber Prestegard, 200
Ashley McCullum	1	5, Dominique Delgado vs. HC, 2/10/02	5. Dominique Delgado, 20
Jessica Pace	1	5, Holly Hartzell vs. UCI, 2/16/01	
	1	5, Amber Prestegard vs. LMU, 4/15/00	Steals
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Davor	Camos	9, Megan Dunbar vs. LBSU, 3/4/99 7, Stacy Werner vs. UOP, 4/17/04	5. Larisa Baltgalvis, 1999
<u>Player</u>	Games	7, Casey Finnegan vs. UOP, 3/16/03	8. Stacy Werner, 2006
1. Rachel Serna	24	6, Savanah Kelley at ASU, 4/22/06	
Stacy Werner	24	6, Stacy Werner at UCSD, 4/20/06	Goalkeeper Saves
3. Elana Cervantes	21	6, Stacy Werner at SJSU, 4/9/06	1. Curran Teigen, 1999 2. Curran Teigen, 2000
<ol> <li>Ashling Taylor</li> </ol>	18	6, Stacy Werner at Michigan, 3/19/06	<ol> <li>Curran Teigen, 2000</li> <li>Heather Stiles, 2002</li> </ol>
5. Becca Ur	16	6, Stacy Werner vs. LBSU, 3/11/06	4. Sarah Kilgore, 2006
<ol><li>Anna Gonzales</li></ol>	15	6, Chelsy Smith vs. UCI, 2/12/04	5. Sarah Kilgore, 2005
Jenna Schuster	15	6, Casey Finnegan vs. UCSD, 3/17/02	
8. Ashley McCullum	12		
9. Savanah Kelley	11		
10. Erinn Greenwood	8	Warman Talvas Sin Farm	
Susan Stivers	8	Werner Takes Six Four	
12. Cassie Zebisch	7	Stacy Werner recorded six steals	
13. Jessica Pace	6	the team with 79 for the year. She i	s the first Aztec to record a
14. Cia Cobb	3	one season. The six-steal total is the	
15. Nicole Louie	2	2000) and Werner (2004) and Case	
16. Erin Lester	1	(2006), Chelsy Smith (2004) and Fin	
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27. Elana Cervantes	1.35		
		Career Years in Scoring	
27. Stacy Werner	1.29		

• Elana Cervantes, Ashley McCullum, Becca Ur, Stacy Werner and Cassie Zebisch have all established personal-bests in goal scoring this season. Cervantes broke her previous season-best of 35 goals in 2005 against UCSB (April 15) when she scored twice. She now has 37 for the year, tied for second most on the team. McCullum, who scored nine goals at Michigan (2004) and last year at SDSU, has found the back of the net 13 different times this season, while Ur has surpassed her freshman season total of 15 with 22 up to this point. Zebisch, a co-captain, has scored nine times this year after only scoring six goals in her first year at SDSU. Werner, with her goal at UC San Diego, set a career-best with 37 goals this season.

Susan Stivers is close to joining the aforementioned group. The senior from El Cajon, Calif., has 10 goals on the season with her career-high of 15 coming last year.

#### All-time Freshman Goal Scorers

• San Diego State's freshman class has played a giant role in the team's success this season. Three of the squad's seven freshmen have been slowly moving up the Carin Crawford-era freshman goal scoring chart with Ashling Taylor in fourth with 27 goals. Jenna Schuster is tied for fifth with 24 goals and Anna Gonzales sits in sixth place with 21. The top three spots are occupied by Holly Hartzell (90 goals), Amber Prestegard (58) and Dominique Delgado (33).

#### **Offensive Firepower**

• San Diego State has shown the ability to score goals bunches this season having scored at least 10 goals in 11 of its last 16 games. For the season, the Aztecs have reached the double-figure plateau 14 times after posting only nine all of last year. During a six-game stretch in March (March 24-26), SDSU averaged 13.8 goals per game (83 total) and only allowed an average of 3.3 goals (20 toal). This came after averaging 12.3 goals per game while allowing an average of 2.7 in three games at the Wolverine Invite. Through 30 games, the Aztecs have netted 279 goals, 38 more goals than last year's 30-game total of 241.

#### Freshman Contributions

This year's highly-touted freshman class has been counted on to contribute immediately and they have not

## Aztecs in the Polls

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<u>Week</u>	<u>Rank</u>
Preseason	No. 9
Feb. 1	No. 8
Feb. 8	No. 8
Feb. 15	No. 9
Feb. 22	No. 9
March 1	No. 7
March 8	No. 7
March 15	No. 7
March 22	No. 7
March 29	No. 7
Apr. 5	No. 7
Apr. 12	No. 8
Apr. 19	No. 8

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Scoring	Goals Per Game
26. Rachel Serna	1.35
27. Elana Cervantes	1.29
27. Stacy Werner	1.29
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lana Cervantes	1.29
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Career Records

Holly Hartzell, 2001-04

Larisa Baltgalvis, 1997-00

Amber Prestegard, 2000-03

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Goals

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viego (April 20) for the fourth time this season. The junior leads tec to record at least six steals in a game four different times in mark in school history behind Megan Dunbar's nine (1999 and seven (2003). Joining Werner with six steals is Savanah Kelley

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<u>GAA</u> 5.29

<u>Goalie Saves</u> 6. Sarah Kilgore	<u>Saves Per Game</u> 7.36 (206)	
Team Goals Scored 4. San Diego State	<u>Goals Per Game</u> 9.6 (269)	

Team Saves 2. San Diego State

6. Sarah Kilgore

Saves Per Game 8.64 (242)

disappointed. Two Aztecs have played in all 30 games (Anna Gonzales and Jenna Schuster) with Gonzales receiving the starting nod in every game up to this point. Five other freshmen, Erinn Greenwood (29 games) Erin Lester (15), Nicole Louie (15), Jessica Pace (19) and Ashling Taylor (29) have also seen significant playing time throughout the course of the season. Combined, the class has accounted for 95 of the team's 279 goals (34.1 percent), 74 assists and 79 steals. Taylor is the leading freshman goal scorer with 27, while Schuster and Gonzales are not far behind with 24 and 21, respectively.

#### **Stingy Defense**

• The Aztecs' defense has been stingy so far through 30 contests as they have allowed an average of 5.67 goals per game. A major reason why SDSU ranks among the nation's elite is the way the Aztecs open and close games. Through 30 games, San Diego State is allowing an average of 1.17 goals in the first period (35 total). The Aztecs' fourth quarter performance is just as impressive allowing just 0.93 goals to close out contests (28 total). Not once in its four games at the LMU Invite did SDSU allow a goal in the first quarter.

#### The Shots Stop Here

• Goalkeeper Sarah Kilgore is enjoying a tremendous season as she has 229 saves in 30 games (7.63 spg) and guided the Aztecs to its first shutout of an opponent since 2002 when SDSU blanked Michigan. She and back-up Heather Fenske also combined to hold Colorado State scoreless on March 24. Kilgore already has nine double-digit save efforts to her credit and has notched 13 or more saves five different times this year, including a career- and season-high 17 at Arizona State on April 22.

#### Serna Scores

• Rachel Serna has picked up where she left off from last year's All-America season where she scored the eighth-most goals in a season in school history (65) as she has netted a team-leading 39 goals. The senior from Coronado is seventh in school history with 127 career goals.

Against No. 10 San Jose State in the seventh-place game of the Gaucho Invitational on Feb. 26, Serna scored five goals for the second time in her career in the 9-6 win. Oddly enough, the first time she scored five in game was at the Gaucho Invite one year ago to the day on Feb. 26, 2005, against UCI. In both instances, the Aztecs were victorious.

#### **Dropping Dimes**

• Elana Cervantes set the school record for assists in a season (56) last year and is well on her way to setting the career school record. Former Aztec Dominique Delgado is the all-time leader with 126 and Cervantes is not far behind as she has recorded 123 in two-plus seasons. The junior from Davis, Calif., surpassed Amber Prestegard (116) for second all time in school history when she tallied two against USC.

#### Shoplifter

• Similar to Rachel Serna and Elana Cervantes, Stacy Werner leads the team in steals after she led the 2005 squad with 53. So far this season, the junior has a personal-best 79 steals for an average of 2.63 per game. Four times this season she has recorded at least six steals in a game, the third-highest total and fifth-best mark in school history. She is second on the team in assists with 29 and tied for second in scoring with 37. She has 146 steals for her career and is seventh all-time in SDSU history.

#### **Hot Shooting**

• In its two games on March 4 vs. UOP and Oxy, San Diego State shot a combined 64.1 percent (41-64) from the field. The Aztecs were just as impressive on 6-on-5 opportunities as they converted on 81.8 percent of its shot attempts (9-11), including a 4-for-4 effort against Occidental.

#### **Goalkeeper Goal**

• It was not a mistake that Sarah Kilgore scored a goal in the MPSF match against Pacific. With the Aztecs leading 21-4, the goalkeeper exchanged her No. 1 cap for one labeled No. 19 and entered the game as a field player. Kilgore wound up scoring one goal, her first of her career, on her second shot attempt. She becomes the first SDSU goalie to record a goal since Curran Teigen scored twice during the 1999 season.

#### **One For Every Finger**

• Freshman Anna Gonzales tallied five goals in the game vs. Occidental College, joining Rachel Serna as the only Aztecs to accomplish the feat this season. She is the first freshman since Dominique Delgado in 2002 to score five goals in a single contest. Gonzales becomes only the third freshman since the 2000 season to have posted five in a game.

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• SDSU set a school record for goals scored in a game on March 4, when it put up 24 against Pacific. It was just the seventh occurrence in program history that an Aztec team scored at least 20 goals in a game. The 19-goal margin of victory is the third largest in SDSU history and the largest since Feb. 5, 1999, when the Aztecs defeated Central Florida by 20, 22-2, at the U.S. Senior Winter Championships at Princeton. SDSU's largest margin of victory of 21 came during a 22-1 win vs. UC Davis at the Pomona Tournament on March 25, 1995.

#### **Balanced Attack**

• In the 24-5 rout of Pacific on March 4, the Aztecs received a balanced scoring attack as no player scored more than three goals and 17 of the team's 18 active roster players posted at least one goal. Erinn Greenwood led the squad with her first hat trick, while Anna Gonzales, Nicole Louie, Jenna Schuster, Ashling Taylor and Becca Ur each scored twice. Of the 12 remaining players of the roster, 11 scored a goal, including goalkeeper Sarah Kilgore, who saw time as a field player in the fourth quarter.

It was more of the same later in the afternoon against Occidental College as 11 different Aztecs contributed to the team's 17 goals. Gonzales led the way with five goals, while Elana Cervantes and Greenwood both added two.

#### Schuster's Coming Out Party

• In the Aztecs' six games during the weekend of March 24-26, freshman Jenna Schuster played tremendous water polo as she scored an incredible 13 goals on 16 shots (81.3 percent). In four of the six games, the Upland, Calif., native connected on every one of her shot attempts. For the season, she has 24 goals on 60 attempts and is second to Ashling Taylor in goal scoring among the team's freshmen.

#### 20-Goal Games

• When SDSU put up 20 goals against CS Monterey Bay, it represented the second 20-goal game of the year for the Aztecs. It was just the third time in school history that an SDSU team recorded two 20-plus goal games in a single season joining the 1995 and 1996 squads. The 1995 team notched 24 victories, while the 1996 version of the Aztecs won on 27 different occasions and finished third nationally.

#### **Blowing Past 2005**

• Through 30 games this season and a record of 20-10 (5-7 MPSF), the Aztecs eclipsed 2005's overall and league win totals of 16 and three, respectively. With 279 goals, San Diego State also surpassed last year's goal total of 268 and tallied 68 goals in the first quarter after scoring only 57 all of last season.

#### Who Scored That One?

• SDSU has had a ton of players score goals this season and part of that can be contributed to the fact that it has had at least eight players score in a game on nine different occasions (all victories) surpassing the 2005 total of four. So far this year, 11 players have scored at least 10 goals, including seven with 20 or more, surpassing last season's total.

#### Nine-Match Winning Streak

• SDSU had is school-record, nine-match winning streak snapped by California on March 30, but its effort eclipsed the old mark of seven as a result of its wins on March 26 against UC Irvine and Maryland. The old mark of seven last occurrred in 2004 with that squad finishing with the best record under head coach Carin Crawford at 26-9. The 1995 team also won seven straight and ended the year ranked second with a mark of 24-8.

#### **Overtime Unkind for Aztecs**

• Despite having an all-time record of 18-9 in overtime matches, the Aztecs have recently had trouble in the extra session the past two seasons. Going back to 2005, SDSU is 1-3 in contests that have required bonus water polo. The overtime match at San Jose State (April 9) was the first for the Aztecs in more than year with the last coming on March 6, 2005, at California. That day, both teams were tied at 9-9 after the first two overtime frames sending the game into sudden death where Molly Hayes scored the game-winner with 19 seconds left.

#### **Moral Victory**

• Despite losing to No. 1 Southern California on April 1, the Aztecs achieved a moral victory of sorts as they scored 11 goals against the Women of Troy. Going into the contest, USC had only allowed 93 goals in 19 games (4.9 gpg). Before SDSU put up an 11 spot on the scoreboard, the most USC had allowed this year was eight goals vs. UCLA at the Stanford Tournament, Feb. 12. The Aztecs were also successful stopping Southern California's leading goal scorer Brittany Hayes as Stacy Werner drew the assignment and held her scoreless for the game.

#### **More Donuts**

• The Aztecs became the first team in school history to record two shutouts in a season when it defeated Colorado State, 16-0, on March 24. The blanking came less than week after San Diego State defeated 15th-ranked Michigan on March 19, 13-0, and is the fourth shutout in school history. With their performance against the Wolverines, the Aztecs became just the third team in school history to shutout an opponent and the first since the 2002 team blanked Redlands, 5-0.

SDSU's first-ever shutout came against UC Santa Barbara, 15-0, on Feb. 28, 1998, in the UCSB Tournament. In the previous two seasons in which SDSU held an opponent scoreless, the Aztecs posted at least 20 wins with the 1998 squad posting 23 victories and the 2002 team recording 20.

#### 2006 MPSF Women's Water Polo Championship

April 27-30 at UC Irvine (Irvine, Calif.)

#### MPSF First Round - Thursday, April 27

Game 5	3 p.m.	#8 San Jose State vs. #9 San Diego State
Game 4	1:45 p.m.	#7 Arizona State vs. #10 Long Beach State
Game 3	12:30 p.m.	#6 UC Irvine vs. #11 UC Santa Barbara
Game 2	11:15 a.m.	#5 Hawai'i vs. #12 CS Northridge
Game 1	10 a.m.	#4 California vs. #13 Pacific

#### MPSF Quarterfinals - Friday, April 28

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10 a.m.	Loser Game 3 vs. Loser Game 2
11:15 a.m.	Loser 5 vs. Loser Game 4
12:30 p.m.	#1 USC vs. Winner Game 5
1:45 p.m.	#2 UCLA vs. Winner Game 4
3 p.m.	#3 Stanford vs. Winner Game 3
4:15 p.m.	Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2
	11:15 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 1:45 p.m. 3 p.m.

#### MPSF Semifinals - Saturday, April 29

Game 12	11 a.m.	Loser Game 11 vs. Loser Game 8
Game 13	12:15 a.m.	Loser Game 10 vs. Loser Game 9
Game 14	1:30 p.m.	Winner Game 8 vs. Winner Game 11
Game 15	2:45 p.m.	Winner Game 9 vs. Winner Game 10

#### MPSF Finals - Sunday, April 30

Game 16	11 a.m.	Loser Game 13 vs. Loser Game 12 (7th Place)
Game 17	12:15 p.m.	Winner Game 12 vs. Winner Game 13 (5th Place)
Game 18	1:30 p.m.	Loser Game 15 vs. Loser Game 14 (3rd Place)
Game 19	2:45 p.m.	Winner Game 14 vs. Winner 15 (Championship)

# 2006 results

#### **AZTECS WATER POLO**

#### 2006 San Diego State Women's Water Polo Results

Overall Record: 20-10 (Home: 4-3, Away 4-4, Neutral 12-3); MPSF: 5-7 (Home: 3-3, Away: 2-4); National Rank: No. 8

SD		Opp.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	,	,		Overall	MPSF	SDSU
NR	Date	NR	Opponent	Result	Score	Streak	Record	Record	Goals
8	Feb. 11	20	vs. Santa Clara^	W	5-4	W1	1-0		Ur 2, Cervantes, Serna, Taylor
8	Feb. 11	13	vs. Indiana^	W	9-7	W2	2-0		Serna 3, Cervantes 2, Greenwood, Kelley, McCullum, Schuster
8	Feb. 12	9	vs. Long Beach State^	L	6-7	L1	2-1		Werner 2, Gonzales, Kelley, Serna, Stivers
8	Feb. 12	10	vs. UC Šanta Barbara^	W	6-5	W1	3-1		Serna 2, Cervantes, Gonzales, Ur, Werner
9	Feb. 23	5	*Hawaii	L	3-7	L1	3-2	0-1	Serna, Werner, Ur
9	Feb. 24	t19	*at CS Northridge	W	11-5	W1	4-2	1-1	Cervantes 2, Taylor 2, Gonzales, Kelley, Louie, McCullum, Schuster, Ur, Werner
9	Feb. 25	8	vs. Arizona State+	W	4-2	W2	5-2		Taylor 2, Serna, Werner
9	Feb. 25	1	vs. Southern California+	L	4-11	L1	5-3		Taylor 2, Greenwood, Stivers
9	Feb. 26	4	vs. Loyola Marymount+	L	6-7	L2	5-4		Cervantes 2, Gonzales, Kelley, Serna, Werner
9	Feb. 26	10	vs. San Jose State+	W	9-6	W1	6-4		Serna 5, Cervantes, McCullum, Ur, Werner
7	March 4	-	*Pacific	W	24-5	W2	7-4	2-1	Greenwood 3, Gonzales 2, Louie 2, Schuster 2, Taylor 2, Ur 2, Cervantes, Cobb,
									Kelley, Kilgore, Lester, McCullum, Pace, Serna, Stivers, Werner, Zebisch
7	March 4	-	Occidental College	W	17-6	W3	8-4		Gonzales 5, Cervantes 2, Greenwood 2, Kelley, Schuster, Serna,
									Stivers, Taylor, Ur, Werner, Zebisch
7	March 11		*Long Beach State	W	7-3	W4	9-4	3-1	Werner 3, Serna 2, Gonzales, McCullum
7	March 12		*at UCLA	L	3-12	L1	9-5	3-2	Kelley, McCullum, Werner
7	March 18		vs. Cal Baptist`	W	12-3	W1	10-5		Cervantes 3, Zebisch 2, Kelley, Pace, Schuster, Serna, Stivers, Taylor, Werner
7	March 18		vs. Indiana`	W	12-5	W2	11-5		Werner 3, Serna 2, Ur 2, Cervantes, Gonzales, McCullum, Stivers, Taylor
7	March 19		at Michigan`	W	13-0	W3	12-5		Serna 3, Cervantes 2, Schuster 2, Werner 2, Greenwood, Taylor, Ur, Zebisch
7	March 19		vs. Michigan St. (Club team		13-6		XHIBITIC	N	Stivers 3, Ur 2, Greenwood, Kelley, Lester, McCullum, Schuster, Sema, Taylor, Werner
7	March 24	-	vs. CS Monterey Bay&	W	20-3	W4	13-5		Taylor 4, Cervantes 2, Pace 2, Schuster 2, Serna 2, Werner 2,
									Stivers 2, Gonzales, McCullum, Zebisch, Ur
7	March 24	-	vs. Colorado State&	W	16-0	W5	14-5		Taylor 3, Gonzales 2, McCullum 2, Ur 2, Werner 2, Cervantes,
									Pace, Schuster, Serna, Stivers
7	March 25		vs. Redlands&	W	11-3	W6	15-5		Schuster 3, Cervantes 2, Zebisch 2, Gonzales, McCullum, Taylor, Ur
7	March 25		vs. Chapman&	W	14-3	W7	16-5		Cervantes 3, Ur 3, Schuster 2, Cobb, Gonzales, McCullum, Pace, Serna, Zebisch
7	March 26		*at UC Îrvine	W	10-5	W8	17-5	4-2	Schuster 3, Serna 2, Cervantes, Gonzales, Greenwood, Ur, Werner
7	March 26		vs. Maryland~	W	12-6	W9	18-5		Werner 3, Cervantes 2, Greenwood 2, Schuster 2, Pace, Serna, Ur
7	March 30	) 6	*California	L	4-7	L1	18-6	4-3	Werner 2, Cervantes, Kelley
7	April 1	1	*Southern California	L	11-16	L2	18-7	4-4	Cervantes 2, Serna 2, Taylor 2, Werner 2, Greenwood, Schuster, Stivers
7	April 8	2	*at Stanford	L	2-7	L3	18-8	4-5	Serna, Werner
7	April 9	8	*at San Jose State	ot-L	7-8	L4	18-9	4-6	Cervantes 2, Werner 2, Serna, Taylor, Ur
8	April 15	12	* UC Santa Barbara	W	11-7	W1	19-9	5-6	Cervantes 2, Kelley 2, Serna 2, Cobb, Gonzales, Schuster, Taylor, Werner
8		15	UC San Diego	W	6-5	W2	20-9		Gonzales, McCullum, Serna, Schuster, Taylor, Werner
8	April 22	11	*at Arizona State	L	4-5	L1	20-10	5-7	Kelley 2, Cervantes, Taylor
	April 27	-	vs. San Jose State~						

^ - Triton Invitational; La Jolla, Calif. (3rd, 3-1). + - Gaucho Invitational; Santa Barbara, Calif. (7th, 2-2). - Michigan Invitational; Ann Arbor, Mich. (3-0). & - LMU Invitational; Los Angeles, Calif. (4-0). \* - Mountain Pacific Sports Federation game. ~ - Irvine, Calif.

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	2006 San Diego State Women's Water Polo Statistics												Aztec Goalie Stats
				Goals	Goals	Goal				Ejects	Ejects		No Player GP-GS MP GA GAA Svs
No.	Player		GP-GS	Att	Scored	Pct	Ast	Stl	то	Drawn	Given	Saves	1 S. Kilgore 30-30 748 158 5.91 229 1A H. Fenske 9-0 98 12 3.43 36
1	Sarah Kilgore		30-30	6	1	.167	20	18	6	0	1	229	1A H. Fenske 9-0 98 12 3.43 36
1A	Heather Fenske		9-0	1	0	.000	7	2	3	0	0	36	Aztec Individual Game-Highs
2	Cia Cobb		20-0	10	3	.300	10	7	5	5	17	0	
3	Savanah Kelley		25-25	35	13	.371	2	39	22	13	32	0	Goals: 5, Serna vs. SJSU (2/26); Gonzales, vs. Oxy (3/4
4	Stacy Werner		30-30	113	37	.327	29	79	33	13	24	0	<b>Goals Att:</b> 10, Cervantes at SJSU $(4/9)$
5	Elana Cervantes		30-30	119	37	.311	46	31	41	27	26	0	<b>Goal Pct:</b> 1.000 (3-3), Schuster at UCI (3/26)
6	Ashling Taylor		29-0	66	27	.409	5	18	39	33	24	0	Assists: 5, Cervantes vs. SJSU (2/26), at UCI (3/26)
7	Rachel Serna		30-30	97	39	.402	24	19	13	1	18	0	Steals: 6, Werner, four times, Kelley at ASU (4/22
8	Erin Lester		15-0	14	1	.071	8	6	1	1	7	0	<b>TO:</b> 8, Ur at SJSU (4/9)
9	Anna Gonzales		30-30	55	21	.382	25	22 8	25	20	37	0	<b>Ejects Drawn:</b> 5, Taylor at Michigan (3/19)
10	Susan Stivers		30-0	23	10	.435	10		7	4	4	0	Ejects Given: 3, six times
11	Ashley McCullu	ım	30-5	40	13	.325	10	26	10	9	14	0	Saves: 17, Kilgore at Arizona State (4/22)
12	Cassie Zebisch		30-0	28	9	.321	9	7	32	36	11	0	Azteč Team Game-Highs
13	Jenna Schuster		30-0	60	24	.400	12	10	16	8	8	0	<b>Goals:</b> 24, vs. Pacific (3/4)
14	Erinn Greenwoo	od	29-0	32	12	.375	11	13	10	8	13	0	Goals Att: 37, vs. USC (4/1)
16	Nicole Louie		15-0	10	3	.300	5	2	5	3	7	0	Goal Pct: .706 (24-34), vs. Pacific (3/4)
17	Becca Ur		30-30	54	22	.407	5	17	61	45	14	0	Fewest Goals Allowed: 0, at UM (3/19), vs. CSU (3/24
18	Jessica Pace		19-0	16	7	.438	8	8	4	3	1	0	Most Goals Allowed: 16, vs. USC (4/1)
	SDSU Team		30	759	279	.368	247	322	333	229	259	265	Assists: 23, vs. Pacific (3/4)
	Opponents		29		165								<b>Steals:</b> 18, at Michigan (3/19)
							_			_	_		<b>Low TO:</b> 3, vs. Pacific (3/4)
	1		2	3	4	OT		2OT	3OT	Tota	<u> </u>		High TO: 17, three times
SDS	-	68	73	78	59	1		0		279			Ejects Drawn: 13, vs. UH (2/23), vs. USC (4/1
Opp	onents	35	58	47	28	1		1		170			Low Ejects Given: 3, at Stanford (4/8)
													Saves: 17, at Arizona State (4/22)
													Goals in a Quarter: 10 vs. Pacific (3/4)