

# **AZTEC**

# S P O R T S N E W S

# SAN DIEGO STATE MEDIA RELATIONS

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### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT. 9 - OCT. 20

| Sunday  | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday                                     | Thursday                                   | Friday  | Saturday   |
|---|--------|---------|---|--|---|--|
| 7   | 8      | 9       | 10  | 11<br>W-Soccer<br>Utah<br>3 p.mSports Deck | 12 M-Soccer Denver 4 p.mSports Deck  Volleyball at Brigham Young 7 p.m.   | 13 Cross Country at UCSD Invitational 9 a.m.  W-Soccer Brigham Young 1 p.mSports Deck  Volleyball at Utah 7 p.m. |
| 14<br>M-Soccer<br>Air Force<br>2 p.mSports Deck | 15     | 16      | 17<br>Volleyball<br>Hawai'i<br>7 p.mCox Arena | 18   | 19 W-Soccer at Wyoming-4 p.m. Volleyball New Mexico 7 p.mPeterson Gym M-Soccer at San Jose State 7:30 p.m. Swimming (Thru Sat.) at Pacific Invite | 20 Volleyball Air Force 7 p.mPeterson Gym Crew (Thru Sun.) at Head of the Charles                                |

# This Week At SDSU ...

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Aztecs open Mountain Pacific Sports Federation play at home.

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Team opens MWC season versus Utah, Brigham Young.

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Squad wraps up regular season at UC San Diego meet.

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# MEN'S SOCCER

# Aztecs open conference play with pair of home matches

#### 2001 Schedule and Results (4-5-1)

| Date      | (Rank) Opponent       | Time/Result  |
|-----------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Aug. 31   | (13) Santa Clara      | L, 0-1 ot    |
| Sept. 2   | Notre Dame de Namu    | r 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    | UCLA                  | L, 2-1       |
| Oct. 12   | (25)Denver*           | 4 p.m.       |
| Oct. 14   | Air Force*            | 2 p.m.       |
| Oct. 19   | at San Jose State*    | 7:30 p.m.    |
| Oct. 21   | at Fresno State*      | 3 p.m.       |
| Oct. 26   | UNLV*                 | 4 p.m.       |
| Oct. 28   | New Mexico*           | 2 p.m.       |
| Oct. 31   | at CSU Fullerton      | 7 p.m.       |
| Nov. 4    | at CSU Sacramento*    | 3 p.m.       |
| Nov. 8-11 | MPSF Championship^    | TBA          |
| 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

| Scoring Leaders |   |   |     |    |  |
|-----------------|---|---|-----|----|--|
| Player          | G | A | Pts | Sh |  |
| Kevin Sapanli   | 5 | 1 | 11  | 24 |  |
| Enrique Tovar   | 4 | 2 | 10  | 27 |  |
| Tyler Tinling   | 4 | 1 | 9   | 9  |  |
| Patrick Strait  | 3 | 2 | 8   | 8  |  |
| Eric Wohl       | 2 | 3 | 7   | 15 |  |
| Ryan Curtis     | 2 | 1 | 5   | 6  |  |
| Paul Szefler    | 1 | 2 | 4   | 7  |  |
| Aaron Frimkess  | 0 | 3 | 3   | 8  |  |
| Anthony Zoric   | 0 | 2 | 2   | 1  |  |
| Mauricio Soler  | 0 | 2 | 2   | 4  |  |
| Ryan Cook       | 0 | 1 | 1   | 3  |  |

#### **Goalkeeping Statistics** Min. GA GAA SvTim Edwards 331:35 5 1.36 12

12

1.73

30

Player

**Brian Barnes** 



624:58

#### **This Week**

The San Diego State men's soccer team concludes a six-match homestand and gets the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation portion of its schedule underway this week with matches against 25th-ranked Denver on Friday at 4 p.m. and Air Force on Sunday at 2 p.m. The Aztecs (4-5-1) defeated Christian Heritage, 7-0, last Friday before losing to 23rd-ranked UCLA,2-1, on Sunday

#### **Recapping Christian Heritage**

Four goals by junior Tyler Tinling and a hat trick by freshman Patrick Strait led SDSU to a 7-0 defeat of Christian Heritage. The win was the team's third straight and moved it to .500 for the first time this season. Five of the Aztecs' seven goals came in the first 15 minutes of play as the Aztecs outshot the Hawks 19-8 on the day. Strait and Tinling's goal combination was the most by two Aztecs since 1983 when Jeff Ratajczak scored five goals and Jeff Ryder had a hat trick in a 13-0 SDSU defeat of Loyola Marymount. Goalkeepers Brian Barnes and Tim Edwards each spent a half in goal and shared the shutout as Barnes picked up his third win on the year.

#### **Recapping UCLA**

The Aztecs had their three-match win streak halted by 23rd-ranked UCLAon Sunday. The Bruins scored first when freshman Aaron Lopez found the net just 5:22 into the match. SDSU tied things up just 33 seconds later on a goal by sophomore Kevin Sapanli. The goal, which was Sapanli's fifth of the year, was assisted by senior Aaron Frimkess. The Bruins took the lead for good at the 14:58 mark with a goal by sophomore Matt Taylor. Aztec goalkeeper Brian Barnes spent all 90 minutes in goal and recorded seven saves. UCLAkeeper Zach Wells picked up the win and one save.

#### **Tovar Wins Player Of The Week**

Junior forward Enrique Tovar, last week's Mountain Pacific Sports Federation player of the week, is second on the team in scoring with 10 points (four goals, two assist). Tovar is the first Aztec to receive the honor this season. The occasion also marks the first time Tovar has earned the weekly award. Earlier this season, he scored the fastest goal in program history, finding the net just 15 seconds into the match versus UC Santa Barbara on Sept. 6.

#### **Setting The Tone**

Also setting the tone of the Aztec offense this season has been a local product, sophomore midfielder Kevin Sapanli. Sapanli scored his fifth goal of the season in Sunday's UCLA match, coupled with his one assist he is the team leader in scoring with 11 points.

#### **The New Class**

SDSU has gotten plenty of help from its newcomers thus far this season. The Aztecs' first

#### This Week...

Fri., Oct. 12 vs. Denver Sun., Oct. 14 vs. Air Force

score of the year came courtesy of the frosh duo of Eric Wohl and Paul Szefler. Wohl recorded his first collegiate goal (off a pass from Szefler) versus Notre Dame de Namur on Sept. 2. Wohl chipped in his second goal of the season versus UC Riverside and Szefler his first. The newcomers have also been prominent in the starting lineup, with Szefler, defenders Aaron Frimkess, Michael Sanchez and John Mack, forward Mauricio Soler, forward/midfielder Drew Picone and forward/defender Patrick Strait receiving the starting nod at least once thus far. Soler picked up his first two assists in last week's against Christian. Frimkess picked up two of his three assists over the weekend as

#### **Barnes Watch**

Returning for his junior season is All-America candidate goalkeeper Brian Barnes. The 2000 first-team all-MPSF and all-academic team pick, who holds the single-season school record for saves (90) and is third in career saves (184), serves as team captain in 2001. He is the only player listed in the school's top three in career saves with only two seasons of experience. He is 3-4-0 this year with a 1.73 goals-against average.

#### **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. Miramontes played for the scarlet and black in 1976-77 and '79-80.

#### **Scouting Denver**

No. 25 Denver enters the weekend 6-2-3 after defeating UC Santa Barbara 1-0 on Sunday. The Pioneers have not lost a match since Sept. 15, posting three wins and three ties in that time frame. SDSU and Denver have met once prior, with the Aztecs taking that match 2-0 in San Diego in 1998. Friday is the first MPSF tilt for both teams.

#### **Scouting Air Force**

The Academy opens MPSF play at CSU Sacramento on Friday before heading to San Diego for Sunday's match. AFA is 6-2 and coming off a 2-1 victory over New Mexico on Oct. 7. The team's lead scorer is Matte Rabe, who has two goals and five assists (nine points).

#### **Things To Come**

SDSU continues conference play next week with matches at San Jose State on Oct. 19 and at FresnoState on Oct. 21. The Aztecs return home for two more league matches on Oct. 26 versus UNLV and Oct. 28 against New Mexico.

# WOMEN'S SOCCER

# Aztecs open conference action with Utah at home

#### 2001 Schedule and Results (4-7-0)

| Date      | (Rank) Opponent       | Time/Result  |
|-----------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Aug. 31   | at Montana +          | W, 3-0       |
| Sept. 2   | vs. Eastern Washing   | ton + W, 3-0 |
| Sept. 7   | South Carolina #      | L, 1-2       |
| Sept. 9   | Kansas #              | L, 0-1       |
| Sept. 16  | Duke                  | Canceled     |
| Sept. 17  | CSU Fullerton         | W, 3-2 ot    |
| Sept. 18  | at UC Riverside       | W, 2-0       |
| Sept. 23  | California            | L,1-3        |
| Sept. 28  | vs. (8) Stanford ^    | L, 1-2       |
| Sept. 30  | at (10) Santa Clara ^ | L, 0-2       |
| Oct. 5    | Pepperdine            | L, 3-1       |
| Oct. 7    | USC                   | L, 2-1       |
| Oct. 11   | Utah *                | 3 p.m.       |
| Oct. 13   | Brigham Young *       | 1 p.m.       |
| Oct. 19   | at Wyoming *          | 4 p.m.       |
| Oct. 21   | at Air Force *        | Noon         |
| Oct. 28   | at New Mexico *       | 1 p.m.       |
| Nov. 3    | at UNLV *             | 7:30 p.m.    |
| Nov. 7-10 | MWC Tournament        | TBA          |
|           |                       |              |

- + Diadora Cup at Montana
- # SDSU Invitational
- ^ adidas Classic at Santa Clara
- \* Mountain West Conference match

#### **Statistical Leaders**

| Player           | G | Α | Pts | Sh |
|------------------|---|---|-----|----|
| Kim Castellanos  | 7 | 1 | 15  | 38 |
| Nicole Findlay   | 3 | 1 | 7   | 7  |
| Fay deLeon       | 3 | 3 | 9   | 12 |
| Arinda Alvarez   | 1 | 4 | 6   | 23 |
| Jane Specht      | 1 | 0 | 2   | 1  |
| Hannah Garl      | 1 | 0 | 2   | 1  |
| Danielle Small   | 0 | 2 | 2   | 14 |
| Rebecca Prilaman | 0 | 1 | 1   | 6  |

#### **Goalkeening Statistics**

| Player            | Min.   | GA | GAA  | Sv |
|-------------------|--------|----|------|----|
| Erin Haentjens    | 155:14 | 0  | 0.00 | 4  |
| Stephanie Pearson | 24:46  | 0  | 0.00 | 3  |
| Linnea Ouinones   | 815:26 | 17 | 1.88 | 45 |



#### **This Week**

The Aztecs open their 2001 Mountain West Conference season by hosting Utah on Thursday, Oct. 11, at 3:00 p.m. at the SDSU Sports Deck. Two days later (Saturday, Oct. 13) SDSU will face pre-season MWC favorite Brigham Young at 1:00 p.m. at the Sports Deck.

#### **Finishing Up At Home**

The game vs. Brigham Young will be the Aztecs' final home game of the season and has been designated as Senior Day. Nine athletes playing their final game at SDSU will be honored prior to the game. Following the BYU contest, San Diego State will conclude its regular eason with four conference road games followed by the Mountain West Conference Tournament at UNLV.

#### **Series Records**

San Diego State leads the series with Brigham Young, 5-4. The Cougars have won the last two meetings including the MWC Tournament title game in San Diego in 1999 and last year's contest in Provo. The last Aztec win over BYU came during the 1999 regular season, a 2-0 victory played at the ARCO Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista. Three of the nine meetings between SDSU and BYU have gone to overtime with the Cougars winning two of those encounters. Utah holds a 4-2 advantage over the Aztecs in the series between the two teams and is the only conference school that leads the soccer series with SDSU. Utah has defeated the Aztecs three times over the past two seasons (including at the 2000 MWC Tournament) with the last San Diego State victory coming in 1998.

#### **Most Recently**

San Diego State dropped a pair of home matches last weekend to drop its record at the SDSU Sports Deck to 1-5 this season. On Friday, Oct. 5, the Aztec fell to Pepperdine by a score of 3-1. The Waves jumped out to a two-goal lead in the first half, but a goal by Arinda Alvarez just before the break narrowed the lead to 2-1. However, The Waves added a third goal in the second half and SDSU was unable to respond. On Sunday (Oct. 7), USC scored on a penalty kick midway through the second half to break a 1-1 deadlock as it completed a 2-1 win over San Diego State. After the Trojans opened the scoring early in the game, SDSU came back four minutes into the second half on a 25-yard shot from senior Fay deLeon. The Aztecs were unable to secure a second goal and fell to their fifth straight defeat.

#### **Clegg Reaches Milestone**

Chuck Clegg is his ninth season in charge of the SDSU women's soccer program with a record of 100-60-5 (.621). His 100th career win as coach of the women's squad came in SDSU's 2-0 win at UC Riverside on Sept. 18. He joins Clive Charles (Portland) and Anson Dorrance (North Carolina) as the only other NCAA Division I coaches to accumulate at least 100 wins as both a men's and women's collegiate head coach. Clegg compiled 194 victories as head coach of the Aztec men from 1982-99.

#### This Week...

Thurs., Oct. 11 vs. Utah Sat., Oct. 13 vs. Brigham Young

#### **Scouting The Opponents**

Utah enters the week with a record of 6-3-0, the top mark among Mountain West Conference schools as league play begins this week. Sophomore forwards Bobbie Benegas and Missy Dennis lead the Utes with five goals apiece. senior Amy Kofoed was an all-MWC and all-West Region selection a year ago. Goalkeeping duties are being split equally between soph Lynnsey Amay (0.50 gaa) and junior Courtney Hills (1.94 gaa). Brigham Young, ranked as high as 13th in the nation this week (Soccer Buzz), has compiled a mark of 6-4-1 this season. The Cougars will play at UNLV prior to visiting San Diego for Saturday's match. BYU's most highprofile player is sophomore midfielder Aleisha Cramer (3g, 2a), a member of the U.S. National Team and a preseason All-American. The Cougars' top scorer this season is Kim Devine with five goals and three assists. Senior goalie Jennifer Waldron has started all 11 of BYU's contests and has a goals against average of 1.01.

#### **Castellanos On The Charts**

With her goal vs. Stanford on Sept. 28, Kim Castellanos moved into sole possession of the No. 7 spot on the SDSU career goal list with 17. She needs one goal to move into a tie for sixth (with Elicia Petre, 1997-2000), and two more to move into a tie for fifth (with Sufia Wali, 1996-98). Castellanos also needs just four points to move into the Aztec top 10 list for career points. That position is currently occupied by Susan Mendez (1995-98) with 40 points.

#### Quiñones Busy In Goal

With 45 saves thus far in 2001, senior goalie Linnea Quiñones has moved into the number-three spot on the SDSU career saves list with 141. Number two on the list is Katherine Judkins (1996-99) with 192 career saves. Quiñones' 45 saves this season represent the highest total in her four years as an Aztec. Her previous high was 32 during the 2000 campaign.

#### **Alvarez Gets First Goal**

Forward Arinda Alvarez scored the first goal of her collegiate career against Pepperdine last Friday. She was on the receiving end of a Fay deLeon corner kick which she head into the net. She is tied for the Mountain West Conference lead with four assists on the year. She is one of six players in the league to record two assists in a game this season (vs. Eastern Washington). Alvarez, who was the Metro League player of the year at nearby Chula Vista High School in 1999, had not played soccer the past two years while enrolled at SDSU. She came out last spring as a walk-on and has moved into a spot in the starting lineup.

#### On The Horizon

Following the home finale vs. Brigham Young on Saturday, the Aztecs will begin the road portion of their conference schedule with a match at Wyoming on Friday, Oct. 19. The game in Laramie will be the first of four straight away from home to conclude the 2001 regular season.

# CROSS COUNTRY

# Squad closes out regular season at UCSD meet

# **Schedule and Results**

| Date     | Event Tir                | ne/Result |
|----------|--------------------------|-----------|
| Sept. 1  | at CSU Fullerton Invite  | 8th/15    |
| Sept. 15 | Aztec Invitational       | Canceled  |
| Sept. 22 | at UC Riverside Invite   | 10th/25   |
| Sept. 29 | at Stanford Invitational | 16th/25   |
| Oct. 6   | at Long Beach St. Invite | 6th/6     |
| Oct. 13  | at UCSD Invitational     | 8:30 a.m. |
| Oct. 27  | at MWC Championships     | * 9 a.m.  |
|          |                          |           |

<sup>\*</sup>Albuquerque, N.M.

#### **2001 Top Times (5K)**

| Athlete                            | Time (Date)        |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <ol> <li>Alicia Stewart</li> </ol> | 18:52.50 (10/6/01) |
| 2. Jennifer Stakiw                 | 19:35.00 (9/22/01) |
| 3. Amanda Vielbaum                 | 19:36.60 (10/6/01) |
| 4. Allison Brown                   | 19:39.30 (10/6/01) |
| 5. Laura Preston                   | 20:53.10 (10/6/01) |
| 6. Nika Dunn                       | 21:06.70 (9/1/01)  |
| 7. Tina Fodor                      | 21:10.60 (10/6/01) |
| 8. Emily Joller                    | 21:54.00 (9/22/01) |
| 9. Julie Amster                    | 22:10.20 (9/1/01)  |
| 10. Angie Fitzpatrick              | 24:04.00 (9/22/01) |
|                                    |                    |

#### **2001 Top Times (6K)**

| Athlete            | Time (Date)     |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Jennifer Stakiw | 22:53 (9/27/01) |
| 2. Alicia Stewart  | 22:56 (9/27/01) |
| 3. Allison Brown   | 23:49 (9/27/01) |
| 4. Amanda Vielbaum | 24:21 (9/27/01) |
| 5. Laura Preston   | 25:46 (9/27/01) |
| 6. Tina Fodor      | 26:05 (9/27/01) |

#### **This Week**

The San Diego State women's cross country team will compete in the 2001 Triton Classic Invitational this Saturday held on the UC San Diego campus. The women's 6K race is scheduled to get underway at 8:30 a.m. The race will start and finish on the North Campus Athletic Fields.

#### **Recapping The Beach Invite**

An eighth-place finish and a season-best time by junior Alicia Stewart paced the Aztecs to a sixth-place finish Saturday at the Long Beach State Invitational held at Eldorado Park. Stewart, who ran the course in 18:52.50, was one of three Aztecs to place in the event's top 25. Senior Amanda Vielbaum ran the 5,000-meter course in 19:36.60 (23rd) and sophomore Allison Brown finished in 25th place (19:39.30). Other Aztec finishers include junior Laura Preston (39th), freshman Tina Fodor (42) and sophomore Julie Amster and freshman Emily Joller, who finished 44th and 45th, respectively.

#### **SDSU This Year**

Prior to the Long Beach State meet, SDSU placed 16th in a 25-team field at the Stanford Invite on Sept. 29. The event was the Aztec's first 6,000-meter course. The Aztecs' top finisher was Jennifer Stakiw, who crossed the finish line at 22:53 and in 53rd place. The previous Saturday, SDSU ran to a 10th-place finish in a 25-team field at the UC Riverside Invite. SDSU was led by junior Alicia Stewart, who placed 29th with a time of 19:34 and junior Jennifer Stakiw's 30th-place finish of 19:35. The scarlet and black got its 2001 campaign started with an eighth-place finish at the CSU Fullerton Jammin' Invitational on Sept. 1. The Aztecs were led by junior Jennifer Stakiw, whose time of 19:43.30 was good for 42nd-place, and Allison

#### This Week...

Sat., Oct. 8

at Triton Classic Invitational

Brown's time of 20:22.40 earned her 69th-place.

#### **Aztec Invite Canceled**

The 58th annual Aztec Invitational, scheduled for Sept. 16 in Balboa Park, was canceled due to the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington D.C. and will not be rescheduled. The event was the Aztecs' lone home contest of the season.

#### **Coaching Staff**

The Aztecs are led by the coaching staff of Rahn Sheffield and Jennifer Nanista. A 1990 graduate of SDSU, Nanista is one of the best middle distance runners to don the scarlet and black. She finished second in the 800 meters at both the 1989 and '90 Big West Conference Championships. She continues to compete as a member of the Sheffield Elite Track Club.

#### **Looking Ahead**

The Aztecs take next week off from racing to prepare for the Moutain West Conference championships to be held Sat., Oct. 27, in Albuquerque, N.M.



# **2001 Aztec Cross Country Roster**

| <u>Athlete</u>    | <u>Ht.</u> | <u>Yr.</u> | <u>Hometown (Previous School)</u>            |
|-------------------|------------|------------|--|
| Julie Amster      | 5-11       | So.        | Santa Ana, Calif. (Foothill HS)              |
| Allison Brown     | 5-5        | So.        | Mission Viejo, Calif.(Trabuco Hills HS)      |
| Kylie Edwards     | 5-4        | Sr.        | Mt. Dundeed, Australia (La Trobe University) |
| Angie Fitzpatrick | 5-5        | So.        | San Diego, Calif. (Patrick Henry HS)         |
| Tina Fodor        | 5-5        | Fr.        | Fountain Valley, Calif. (Sonora HS)          |
| Emily Joller      | 5-5        | Fr.        | Rancho Bernardo, Calif. (Rancho Bernardo HS) |
| Laura Preston     | 5-9        | Jr.        | Laguna Beach, Calif. (Laguna Beach HS)       |
| Jennifer Stakiw   | 5-10       | Jr.        | Saskatoon, Saskatchewan (Bishop Mahoney HS)  |
| Alicia Stewart    | 5-3        | Jr.        | Costa Mesa, Calif. (Newport Harbor HS)       |
| Amanda Vielbaum   | 5-1        | Sr.        | Monterey, Calif. (North Monterey County HS)  |
|                   |            |            |  |

Coaching Staff: Rahn Sheffield (San Diego State '80), 10th season Jennifer Nanista (San Diego State '90), 8th season