

2008-09 Big West Swimming & Diving

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Big West Represented by Seven Athletes at NCAA Women's Swimming & Diving Championships

The race for national championships and All-America honors begin this week in the heart of Texas as the NCAA Women's Swimming & Diving Championships are set to commence. The National Championships are being held at the Student Recreation Center Natatorium on the campus of Texas A&M in College Station, Texas.

The conference will have a quintet of athletes from UC Santa Barbara as well as single representatives from UC Davis and Pacific in competition. The group from UCSB is comprised of senior Katy Freeman and sophomore Sara Nicponski, who will be competing in the 100 and 200 breast as well as the 200 and 400 medley relays. Junior Anne Marie May will swim in the 50 and 100 free and will anchor the medley relays. Junior Naomi Javanifard will swim the backstroke legs of the medley relays and will also compete in the 100 back. Rounding out the group is senior Erin Yamamoto, who will swim the butterfly leg in the medley relays.

Junior Heidi Kucera will be the first Aggie to make the D-I championships when she heads down this weekend to compete in three events, the 200 IM and the 100 and 200 back. Meanwhile, senior Jenny Lewis gives the Tigers a representative in two events, the 50 free and 100 back.

UC Santa Barbara Men and Women Claim Big West Swimming & Diving Crowns

The UC Santa Barbara men and women showed their dominance at the Big West Swimming & Diving Championships, claiming the team titles after the four day event at Belmont Plaza Olympic Pool in Long Beach, Calif.

For the Gaucho women, their 880 points claimed their fourth consecutive and 13th overall championship in program history. UC Davis finished in second with 745 points, while Pacific wrapped up the competition in third with 529 tallies. The fourth position belonged to Cal Poly with 526 points, while UC Irvine (417) and Cal State Northridge (239) wrapped up the women's 2009 league meet.

The men's race was a tight one as UCSB claimed the crown with 849.5 points, just 17 points ahead of second place UC Davis (832.5). UC Irvine completed the top three with 636.5 points, while fourth place belonged to Pacific with 426.5 points. Cal Poly (363) and Cal State Northridge (219) finished up the standings in the men's title race.

The four day meet was one of the best in conference history as the women's side saw six conference records set and two meet only records fall, while the men's races saw seven Big West marks cemented into the history books, while three meet only records fell.

Upcoming Schedule

Thursday, March 19 - Saturday, March 21
NCAA Women's Championships
Hosted by Texas A&M
Student Recreation Center Natatorium
College Station, Texas



Big West Preseason Coaches' Polls

MEN:		
Rank	School	Points
1.	UC Santa Barbara (6)	36
2.	UC Davis	27
3.	UC Irvine	25
4.	Cal Poly	19
5.	Pacific	13
6.	Cal State Northridge	6
WOMEN:		
Rank	School	Points
1.	UC Santa Barbara (6)	36
2.	UC Irvine	26
3.	UC Davis	25
4.	Cal Poly	19
5.	Pacific	14
6.	Cal State Northridge	6

First-place votes in parentheses

Big West Athletes of the Week

Date	Male Athlete	School	Yr.	Event(s)	Date	Female Athlete	School	Yr.	Event(s)
Oct. 29	Peter Kline	CP	So.	100 & 200 back; 200 & 400 IM	Oct. 29	Gloria Benefield	CP	So.	100 & 200 fly; 200 back
Nov. 5	Stephen Quinn	PAC	Sr.	100, 200, 500 free; 400 free relay	Nov. 5	Heidi Kucera	UCD	Jr.	200 breast; 200 IM; 200 free
Nov. 12	Peter Kline	CP	So.	100 & 200 back; 200 & 400 IM	Nov. 12	Lacy Buck	CP	Fr.	500, 1000, 1650 free
Nov. 25	Randall Tom	UCI	Sr.	100 & 200 fly; 200 IM		Katy Freeman	UCSB	Sr.	100 & 200 breaststroke
Dec. 10	Scott Weltz	UCD	Jr.	200 & 400 IM; 200 breast	Nov. 25	Jenny Lewis	PAC	Sr.	50 & 100 free; 100 back
Jan. 14	Bradley Matsumoto	UCSB	Sr.	50 & 100 free; 400 free relay	Dec. 10	Anne Marie May	UCSB	Jr.	50 & 100 free; 100 breast
Jan. 21	Peter Kline	CP	So.	200 & 400 IM; 100 & 200 back	Jan. 14	Anne Marie May	UCSB	Jr.	50 free; 400 free and medley relay
Jan. 28	Randall Tom	UCI	Sr.	100 & 200 fly	Jan. 21	Lacy Buck	CP	Fr.	500, 1000, 1650 free
Feb. 4	Danny Donnelly	UCD	Jr.	100 back; 100 fly	Jan. 28	Melanie Grosvenor	UCI	Jr.	one meter & three meter diving
Feb. 11	Jordan Lager	UCD	Fr.	100 & 200 back; 400 IM	Feb. 4	Anne Marie May	UCSB	Jr.	50 & 100 free; 200 medley and free relay
					Feb. 11	Lindsay Gaudinier	UCSB	So.	200 & 500 free; 200 free relay

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Men's Schedule/Results

Cal Poly

Date	Opponent (Location)	Time/Result
Oct. 25	at Malibu Invite (Malibu, Calif.)	Indiv. Scoring
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. UC Irvine (Irvine, Calif.)	W, 80-58
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. Air Force (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 85-53
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. Hawai'i (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 103-35
Nov. 22	at UC Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	L, 155-97
Dec. 5	Mustang Invite vs. CSUN (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	W, 817-612
Jan. 16	at Cal State Northridge (Northridge, Calif.)	W, 145-92
Jan. 17-19	at USA Swimming Grand Prix	NTS
Jan. 31	UC Santa Cruz (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	W, 170-118
Feb. 6	Pacific (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	W, 132-130
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	5th of 6 - 363 pts.
Mar. 26-28	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

Cal State Northridge

Date	Opponent (Location)	Time/Result
Oct. 25	at Malibu Invitational (Malibu, Calif.)	Indiv. Scoring
Nov. 1	UC Santa Barbara (Northridge, Calif.)	L, 135-58
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. UC Davis (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 122-16
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. UNLV (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 126-12
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. BYU (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 122-17
Nov. 20-22	at Nike Cup (Long Beach, Calif.)	9th of 14 - 213 pts.
Dec. 5	at Mustang Invite vs. Cal Poly (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	L, 817-612
Jan. 3	at Ayres Distance Invite (Irvine, Calif.)	3rd of 3 - 70 pts.
Jan. 16	Cal Poly (Northridge, Calif.)	L, 145-92
Feb. 6	UC Irvine (Northridge, Calif.)	L, 126-56
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	6th of 6 - 219 pts.
Mar. 26-28	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

UC Davis

Date	Opponent (Location)	Time/Result
Oct. 18	at Pacific Invitational (Stockton, Calif.)	4th, 377.5 pts.
Oct. 25	at UC Santa Cruz (San Jose, Calif.)	W, 180-127
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. UNLV (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 102-38
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. BYU (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 86-55
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. CSUN (Irvine, Calif.)	W, 122-16
Nov. 9	at UC San Diego (San Diego, Calif.)	W, 149-92
Dec. 4-6	at Texas Invitational (Austin, Texas)	4th of 10 - 358 pts.
Jan. 17	at UC Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	L, 168-94
Jan. 24	at Pacific (Stockton, Calif.)	W, 145-108
Jan. 31	Cal State Bakersfield (Davis, Calif.)	W, 160-117
Feb. 7	UC Irvine (Irvine, Calif.)	W, 161-128
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	2nd of 6 - 832.5 pts.
Mar. 26-28	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

UC Irvine

Date	Opponent (Location)	Time/Result
Nov. 7-8	UCI Shootout vs. Air Force (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 95-45
Nov. 7-8	UCI Shootout vs. Cal Poly (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 80-58
Nov. 7-8	UCI Shootout vs. Hawai'i (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 107-34
Nov. 20-22	at Nike Cup (Long Beach, Calif.)	4th of 14 - 478 pts.
Dec. 13	UNLV (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 167-126
Jan. 3	Ayres Distance (Irvine, Calif.)	2nd of 3 - 227 pts.
Jan. 4	Ayres Relay Invite (Irvine, Calif.)	1st of 4 - 652 pts.
Jan. 24	California Baptist (Irvine, Calif.)	W, 156-125
Jan. 24	UC San Diego (Irvine, Calif.)	W, 185-96
Feb. 6	at Cal State Northridge (Northridge, Calif.)	W, 126-56
Feb. 7	at UC Davis (Davis, Calif.)	L, 161-128
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	3rd of 6 - 636.5 pts.
Mar. 26-28	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

UC Santa Barbara

Date	Opponent (Location)	Time/Result
Nov. 1	at Cal State Northridge (Northridge, Calif.)	W, 135-58
Nov. 14	UC San Diego (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	W, 177.5-74.5
Nov. 22	Cal Poly (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	W, 155-97
Dec. 4-6	at Husky Invitational (Federal Way, Wash.)	3rd of 10 - 1077.5 pts.
Jan. 10	at USC (Los Angeles, Calif.)	L, 120-85
Jan. 17	UC Davis (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	W, 168-94
Jan. 31	at UNLV (Las Vegas, Nev.)	L, 169-93
Feb. 7	Pacific (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	W, 167-85
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	1st of 6 - 849.5 pts.
Mar. 26-28	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

Pacific

Date	Opponent (Location)	Time/Result
Oct. 11	California (Stockton, Calif.)	L, 135-113
Oct. 17-18	Pacific Invitational (Stockton, Calif.)	3rd, 486 pts.
Nov. 1	at Cal State Bakersfield (Bakersfield, Calif.)	L, 145-116
Nov. 1	vs. Fresno Pacific	W, 153-131
Nov. 8	Denver (Denver, Colo.)	L, 105-89
Nov. 20-22	at Nike Cup (Long Beach, Calif.)	6th of 14 - 318.5 pts.
Jan. 10	at Stanford (Palo Alto, Calif.)	L, 109-82
Jan. 24	UC Davis (Stockton, Calif.)	L, 145-108
Feb. 6	at Cal Poly (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	L, 132-130
Feb. 7	at UC Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	L, 167-85
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	4th of 6 - 426.5 pts.
Mar. 19-21	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

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Women's Schedule/Results

Cal Poly

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent (Location)</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Oct. 25	at Malibu Invite (Malibu, Calif.)	Indiv. Scoring
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. UC Irvine (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 70-68
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. Stanford (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 118-12
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. Hawai'i (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 102-30
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. Idaho (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 70-65
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. Pepperdine (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 83-55
Nov. 22	at UC Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	L, 155-101
Dec. 5	Mustang Invite (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	1st of 3 - 803 pts.
Dec. 6	Mustang Invite vs. Fresno State (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	W, 871-564
Jan. 16	at Cal State Northridge (Northridge, Calif.)	W, 164-91
Jan. 17-19	at USA Swimming Grand Prix	NTS
Jan. 31	UC Santa Cruz (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	W, 183-104
Feb. 6	Pacific (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	L, 143-119
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	4th of 6 - 526 pts.
Mar. 19-21	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

Cal State Northridge

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent (Location)</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Oct. 25	at Malibu Invitational (Malibu, Calif.)	Indiv. Scoring
Nov. 1	UC Santa Barbara (Northridge, Calif.)	L, 136-47
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. UC Davis (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 114-25
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. UNLV (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 114-16
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. BYU (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 121-12
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. San Diego (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 96-34
Nov. 20-22	at Nike Cup (Long Beach, Calif.)	16th of 21 - 110 pts.
Dec. 5	at Mustang Invite (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	2nd of 3 - 569 pts.
Jan. 3-4	at Ayres Distance Invite Invite (Irvine, Calif.)	5th of 7 - 29 pts.
Jan. 16	Cal Poly (Northridge, Calif.)	L, 164-91
Jan. 17	at Pepperdine (Malibu, Calif.)	L, 207-57
Feb. 6	UC Irvine (Northridge, Calif.)	L, 124-77
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	6th of 6 - 239 pts.
Mar. 19-21	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

UC Davis

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent (Location)</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Oct. 18	at Pacific Invitational (Stockton, Calif.)	5th, 247 pts.
Oct. 25	at UC Santa Cruz (San Jose, Calif.)	W, 179-81
Nov. 1	vs. Washington State (Reno, Nev.)	L, 184-78
Nov. 1	at Nevada (Reno, Nev.)	L, 157-105
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. UNLV (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 90-50
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. BYU (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 113-29
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. CSUN (Irvine, Calif.)	W, 114-25
Nov. 7-8	at UCI Shootout vs. San Diego (Irvine, Calif.)	W, 93-38
Nov. 9	at UC San Diego (San Diego, Calif.)	W, 135-107
Dec. 4-6	at Husky Invitational (Federal Way, Wash.)	7th of 12 - 287 pts.
Jan. 10	San Jose State (Davis, Calif.)	L, 170-129
Jan. 10	Fresno State (Davis, Calif.)	W, 229.5-67.5
Jan. 17	at UC Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	L, 154.5-87.5
Jan. 24	at Pacific (Stockton, Calif.)	L, 132-130
Jan. 31	Cal State Bakersfield (Davis, Calif.)	W, 162-123
Feb. 7	UC Irvine (Irvine, Calif.)	W, 175-123
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	2nd of 6 - 745 pts.
Mar. 19-21	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

UC Irvine

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent (Location)</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Nov. 7-8	UCI Shootout vs. Stanford (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 118-21
Nov. 7-8	UCI Shootout vs. Cal Poly (Irvine, Calif.)	W, 70-68
Nov. 7-8	UCI Shootout vs. Hawai'i (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 105-35
Nov. 7-8	UCI Shootout vs. Idaho (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 72-68
Nov. 7-8	UCI Shootout vs. Pepperdine (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 77-63
Nov. 20-22	at Nike Cup (Long Beach, Calif.)	12th of 21 - 196 pts
Dec. 13	UNLV (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 165-126
Jan. 3	Ayres Distance Invite (Irvine, Calif.)	2nd of 6 - 107 pts.
Jan. 4	Ayres Relay Invite (Irvine, Calif.)	3rd of 7 - 268 pts.
Jan. 24	California Baptist (Irvine, Calif.)	W, 192-107
Jan. 24	UC San Diego (Irvine, Calif.)	L, 176-124
Feb. 6	at Cal State Northridge (Northridge, Calif.)	W, 124-77
Feb. 7	at UC Davis (Davis, Calif.)	L, 175-123
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	5th of 6 - 417 pts.
Mar. 19-21	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

UC Santa Barbara

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent (Location)</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Nov. 1	at Cal State Northridge (Northridge, Calif.)	W, 136-47
Nov. 7	vs. Oregon State (Los Angeles, Calif.)	W, 158-87
Nov. 7	at UCLA (Los Angeles, Calif.)	L, 161-84
Nov. 14	UC San Diego (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	W, 157-104
Nov. 22	Cal Poly (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	W, 155-101
Dec. 4-6	at Husky Invitational (Federal Way, Wash.)	3rd of 12 - 1130.5 pts.
Jan. 10	at USC (Los Angeles, Calif.)	L, 112-88
Jan. 17	UC Davis (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	W, 154.5-87.5
Jan. 31	at UNLV (Las Vegas, Nev.)	L, 141-121
Feb. 7	Pacific (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	W, 163-94
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	1st of 6 - 880 pts.
Mar. 19-21	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

Pacific

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent (Location)</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Oct. 11	California (Stockton, Calif.)	L, 135-113
Oct. 17-18	Pacific Invitational (Stockton, Calif.)	4th, 507.5 pts
Nov. 1	at Cal State Bakersfield (Bakersfield, Calif.)	W, 185-102
Nov. 1	vs. Fresno Pacific (Bakersfield, Calif.)	W, 182-74
Nov. 1	vs. Loyola Marymount (Bakersfield, Calif.)	W, 154-106
Nov. 8	Denver (Denver, Colo.)	L, 106-90
Nov. 20-22	at Nike Cup (Long Beach, Calif.)	6th of 21 - 377pts.
Jan. 10	at Stanford (Palo Alto, Calif.)	L, 124-69
Jan. 24	UC Davis (Stockton, Calif.)	Noon
Feb. 6	at Cal Poly (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)	W, 143-119
Feb. 7	at UC Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara, Calif.)	L, 163-94
Feb. 25-28	at Big West Championships (Long Beach, Calif.)	3rd of 6 - 529 pts.
Mar. 19-21	at NCAA Championships (College Station, Texas)	All Day

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