

2016 BIG WEST CROSS COUNTRY



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Big West At A Glance

Hawai'i is the lone team in competition this weekend as the 'Bows return to Kahuku Golf Course for the Hawai'i Pacific Invitational.

UH will send a four-runner contingent to the race, the second of three races to be held at Kahuku this season. The field will compromise mostly of Hawai'i-based schools as they compete in a men's 8K and women's 5K Saturday morning.

- Last weekend, the UC Riverside Invitational had a distinct green hue as Cal Poly recorded first and second place team finishes, respectively.

The Mustang men finished atop a 29-team field with 62 points, led by junior Clayton Hutchins' second place finish in the 8K in 23:52.6. The team's depth was on display as it recorded four total runners in the top 20 as senior Swarnjit Boyal (4th - 23:59.9), junior Alex Heuchert (11th - 24:20.1) and sophomore Mikey Giguere (17th - 24:32.6) joined Hutchins.

The Cal Poly women gathered 65 points to finish ahead of every team but Arkansas, a team ranked #11 in the latest USTFCCCA Poll. The squad claimed the overall champion as sophomore Peyton Bilo posted a time of 20:05.4, topping the next fastest runner by 21.9 seconds and finishing with a time that was 31.47 seconds faster than her effort on the same course a year ago.

- Cal State Fullerton picked up a double victory last weekend, sweeping the races at the USD Invite hosted by San Diego.

The Titan men had three runners in the top 10 of the men's 8K, led by senior Jose Penalzoza's second place run in 25:33. Sophomore Sam Pimentel (7th - 25:50) and junior Joe Casco (9th - 25:58) joined Penalzoza to lead CSF to a race-winning 40 points.

The CSF women ran even better on the way to the 6K crown, led by senior Sierra Ungerman's race-winning time of 22:21. Ungerman had plenty of company as freshman Samantha Huerta (3rd - 22:24) and senior Stephanie Ruiz (4th - 22:28) joined her in the top 5.

- UC Davis returned to competition a week ago, picking up third place finishes in both the men's and women's races at the Bill Dellinger Invitational hosted by Oregon.

In the women's 5K race, senior Hannah Kirkegaard paced UCD with a fifth place showing of 17:35 which tied her collegiate best at that distance. She had company in the top 10 as freshman Julia Lemak finished 9th in 17:41.

The Aggies were led in the men's 8K race by sophomore Jordy Ceja who completed the course in 24:55. Racing in his first 8K of the season, Ceja demolished his previous best 8K time by nearly 22 seconds.

- Hawai'i ran its first 6K event of the 2016 campaign last weekend, placing third at the Sundodger Invite hosted by Washington.

The 'Bows, who finished six spots higher than their performance a year ago, were once again led by sophomore Camille Campos. Campos finished in 10th place at 21:08.8, a 51-second improvement over her previous 6K best. She also improved dramatically at the Sundodger from her freshman season. Last year Campos finished in 35th and was nearly 67 seconds slower.

- The season will end in the islands as Hawai'i hosts the 2016 Big West Cross Country Championships at Kahuku Golf Course on the North Shore of O'ahu. The league championship will return to the Aloha State for the first time since 1992, while UH hosts its first conference meet since the WAC Championship of 2011.

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In The Polls

USTFCCCA National Poll

(Week 2)

Men	Women
1. Syracuse (12)	1. New Mexico (8)
2. Northern Arizona	2. Providence (3)
3. Oregon	3. Colorado (1)
4. Stanford	4. Oregon
5. Colorado	5. NC State
6. Arkansas	6. Boise State
7. Georgetown	7. Stanford
8. Eastern Kentucky	8. Oklahoma State
9. Oklahoma State	9. Michigan State
10. Wisconsin	10. Michigan
11. Virginia	11. Arkansas
12. Brigham Young	12. Washington
13. Indiana	13. Penn State
14. Boise State	14. Virginia
15. UTEP	15. Notre Dame
15. Iona	16. Syracuse
17. Michigan	17. Iowa State
18. Mississippi	18. Georgetown
19. Oklahoma	19. Brigham Young
19. Portland	20. San Francisco
21. Washington	21. Kansas
22. Furman	22. Penn
23. NC State	23. Yale
24. Colorado State	24. Vanderbilt
25. Columbia	25. Minnesota
26. Southern Utah	26. Utah
27. Washington State	27. Harvard
28. Tulsa	28. Weber State
29. Penn	29. Mississippi State
30. Michigan State	30. Portland

USTFCCCA - West Region

(Week 2)

Men	Women
1. Oregon	1. Oregon
2. Stanford	2. Boise State
3. Boise State	3. Stanford
4. Portland	4. Washington
5. Washington State	5. San Francisco
6. Washington	6. Portland
7. UCLA	7. California
8. California	8. Cal Poly
9. San Francisco	9. UCLA
10. Cal Poly	10. Arizona
11. Arizona State	11. Arizona State
12. Gonzaga	12. Washington State
13. Saint Mary's	13. UC Davis
14. San Jose State	14. Idaho
15. Santa Clara	15. Gonzaga

Big West Athletes Of The Week

MEN				WOMEN			
Date	Athlete	School	Year	Date	Athlete	School	Year
9/5	Clayton Hutchins	Cal Poly	Jr.	9/5	Peyton Bilo	Cal Poly	So.
9/19	Clayton Hutchins	Cal Poly	Jr.	9/19	Peyton Bilo	Cal Poly	So.
9/26				9/26			
10/3				10/3			
10/10				10/10			
10/17				10/17			
10/24				10/24			

Big West Conference Cross Country

2016 Big West Cross Country Composite Schedule (as of 9/21/16)

Saturday, August 27

Hawai'i at BYU-Hawai'i Invitational (La'ie, Hawai'i)

Thursday, September 1

Long Beach State at Pepperdine Invitational (Malibu, Calif.)

UC Irvine at Pepperdine Invitational (Malibu, Calif.)

Friday, September 2

UC Riverside at Nature's Bakery Nevada Twilight Classic (Sparks, Nev.)

Saturday, September 3

Cal Poly at UCSB Lagoon Open (Goleta, Calif.)

Cal State Fullerton at Mark Convert Classic (Brea, Calif.)

CSUN at San Francisco Invitational (San Francisco, Calif.)

Hawai'i at Big Wave Invitational (Honolulu, Hawai'i)

UC Davis at Aggie Open (Davis, Calif.)

UC Santa Barbara at UCSB Lagoon Open (Santa Barbara, Calif.)

Friday, September 16

UC Davis at Bill Dellinger Invitational (Springfield, Ore.)

Saturday, September 17

Cal Poly at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

Cal State Fullerton at USD Invite (San Diego, Calif.)

CSUN at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

Long Beach State at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

UC Irvine at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

UC Riverside at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

UC Santa Barbara at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

Hawai'i at Sundodger Invitational (Seattle, Wash.)

Saturday, September 24

Hawai'i at Hawai'i Pacific Invitational (Kahuku, Hawai'i)

Saturday, October 1

Cal Poly at Stanford Invitational (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)

Cal State Fullerton at Capital Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)

CSUN at Capital Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)

Long Beach State at Mustang Challenge (Santa Clarita, Calif.)

UC Davis at Stanford Invitational (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)

UC Davis at Capital Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)

UC Irvine at Mustang Challenge (Santa Clarita, Calif.)

UC Riverside at Capital Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)

UC Santa Barbara at Stanford Invitational (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)

Hawai'i at Capital Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)

Thursday, October 8

Hawai'i at Chaminade Invitational (Honolulu, Hawai'i)

Saturday, October 15

Cal Poly at Cal Poly Invitational (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)

Cal Poly at Pre-Nationals Invitational (Terre Haute, Ind.)

Cal State Fullerton at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

CSUN at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

Long Beach State at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

UC Davis at Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)

UC Davis at Pre-Nationals Invitational (Terre Haute, Ind.)

UC Irvine at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

UC Riverside at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

Hawai'i at Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)

UC Santa Barbara at Pre-Nationals Invitational (Terre Haute, Ind.)

Friday, October 21

Cal State Fullerton at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

Long Beach State at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

UC Santa Barbara at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

Saturday, October 29

Big West Championship (Kahuku, Hawai'i)

Saturday, November 5

UC Davis at Doc Adams Open (Davis, Calif.)

Friday, November 11

NCAA West Regional Championship (Sacramento, Calif.)

Saturday, November 19

NCAA Championship (Terre Haute, Ind.)

