



# 2017 BIG WEST CROSS COUNTRY

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### Big West At A Glance

The 37th annual UC Riverside Invitational is in the spotlight this week as several clubs head to the Inland Empire for the competition.

The meet is being held at the Ag/Ops Course on the campus of UC Riverside, the site of the 2017 Big West Cross Country Championships. Cal State Fullerton, CSUN, Long Beach State, UC Davis, UC Irvine and UC Santa Barbara are among the teams slated to participate in a women's 6K and men's 8K. The festivities are slated to begin at 7:30 a.m. with the women's race, while the men's race will kick off at 9:10 a.m.

Hawai'i will pack its bags for the mainland this weekend as the club is taking part in the 26th annual Sundodger Invitational hosted by Washington. The 'Bows were originally slated to take part in the Chaminade Invitational as well but will instead run a full squad in Seattle. UH will compete in its first 6K run of the season as it looks to build on its third-place finish at the Sundodger a year ago.

### AROUND THE BIG WEST

- Cal Poly put in another strong effort as the women tied for the top spot and the men took home the crown at the Fresno Cross Country Invitational.

The women's squad was led by sophomore Bryanna Fuller who was fourth in the 5K in 18:13.5. The team tied San Jose State for the top score with 39 but were edged by the Spartans in the total time tiebreaker, 1:31:31 to 1:32:06.

The Mustang men left no doubt as they put up 16 points for the title, easily outscoring Fresno State who was second with 65. Cal Poly was led by junior Peter Cotsirilos who put up a time of 20:38.5 over the four-mile race, narrowly outpacing his classmate Sean McDermott (20:40.8) for the top spot.

- Hawai'i made its trip to the Big Island memorable as the team came away with the crown at the UH Hilo Invitational last weekend. Freshman Sienna Santiago led the charge as she completed the 5K in 19:54.1, good for second place and 18 seconds better than her 5K time at the season-opening Big Wave Invitational.

- The regional rankings have three Big West clubs on the men's and women's side, both of which feature the same clubs. In the men's rankings, defending champion Cal Poly checks in at #8, UC Santa Barbara is ranked #14 and Cal State Fullerton is #15. The women's rankings are led by the 2016 champion Mustangs at #11, UCSB is #14 and the Titans are coming in at #15.

- A familiar course hosts the 2017 Cross Country Championship as the Ag/Ops Course on the campus of UC Riverside will be the site of the league meet. The Championship returns to Ag/Ops after a one-year hiatus and for the sixth time in the last eight seasons.

Cal Poly will look to defend its dual Championship victories, the third time since 2012 that the Mustangs have swept the titles at the league meet. Cal Poly's men's team hasn't hoisted the trophy at the Ag/Ops Course since 2012, while the women's team won the last race at UCR in 2015. UC Santa Barbara's men's squad has enjoyed its recent runs at the Ag/Ops Course, winning the titles in 2014 and '15 and finishing in second in 2012.

### Big West Athletes Of The Week

MEN				WOMEN			
Date	Athlete	School	Year	Date	Athlete	School	Year
9/4	Swarnjit Boyal	Cal Poly	Sr.	9/4	Mikayla Florez	Long Beach State	Jr.
9/11	Peter Cotsirilos	Cal Poly	Jr.	9/11	Bryanna Fuller	Cal Poly	So.
9/18				9/18			
9/25				9/25			
10/2				10/2			
10/9				10/9			
10/16				10/16			
10/23				10/23			

### In The Polls

#### USTFCCCA National Poll

(Week 1 - September 12)

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

#### USTFCCCA - West Region

(Week 1 - September 11)

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

## Big West Conference Cross Country

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### 2017 Big West Cross Country Composite Schedule (as of 8/30/17)

#### Friday, September 1

**CSUN** at Pepperdine Invitational (Malibu, Calif.)  
**Long Beach State** at Pepperdine Invitational (Malibu, Calif.)  
**UC Irvine** at Pepperdine Invitational (Malibu, Calif.)  
**UC Riverside** at Nature's Bakery Nevada Twilight Classic (Sparks, Nev.)

#### Saturday, September 2

**Cal Poly** at UCSB Lagoon Open (Goleta, Calif.)  
**Cal State Fullerton** at Mark Covert Classic (Brea, Calif.)  
**UC Davis** at Aggie Open (Davis, Calif.)  
**UC Santa Barbara** at UCSB Lagoon Open (Goleta, Calif.)  
**Hawai'i** at Big Wave Invitational (Kahuku, O'ahu)

#### Saturday, September 9

**Cal Poly** at Fresno Cross Country Invitational (Fresno, Calif.)  
**Hawai'i** at UH Hilo Invitational (Hilo, Hawai'i)

#### Saturday, September 16

**Cal State Fullerton** at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**CSUN** at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**Long Beach State** UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**UC Davis** 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 23

**Long Beach State** at UNLV Invitational (Las Vegas, Calif.)

#### Friday, September 29

**Cal Poly** at Bill Dellinger Invitational (Eugene, Ore.)  
**UC Riverside** at Joe Piane Invitational (South Bend, Ind.)

#### Saturday, September 30

**Cal State Fullerton** at Capitol Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)  
**CSUN** at Capitol Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)  
**UC Davis** at Capitol Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)  
**UC Irvine** at Mustang Invitational (Santa Clarita, Calif.)  
**UC Santa Barbara** at Bill Dellinger Invite  
**Hawai'i** at Charles Bowles Williamette Invitational (Salem, Ore.)

#### Saturday, October 7

**Hawai'i** at Hawai'i Pacific Invitational (Kahuku, O'ahu)

#### Friday, October 13

**Cal Poly** at Under Armour Wisconsin (Madison, Wisc.)

#### Saturday, October 14

**Cal Poly** at Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)  
**Cal State Fullerton** at Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)  
**CSUN** at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**Long Beach State** at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**UC Davis** at Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)  
**UC Irvine** at Highlander Classic (Riverside, Calif.)  
**UC Riverside** at Highlander Classic (Riverside, Calif.)  
**UC Santa Barbara** at Santa Clara Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)  
**Hawai'i** at Santa Clara Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)

#### Friday, October 20

**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 28

Big West Conference Championship (Riverside, Calif.)

#### Saturday, November 4

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

#### Friday, November 10

NCAA West Regional (Seattle, Wash.)

#### Saturday, November 18

NCAA Championship (Louisville, Kent.)

