

# SPORTS TUESDAY

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## UCSB TRACK & FIELD: 1995 SEASON IN REVIEW

### UCSB Track and Field Displays Improvements

By Brett Lindstrom  
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The UCSB men's and women's track and field teams showed slight improvement in 1995, as both squads placed third in the overall team standings at the Big West championships — capturing four titles and several all-conference nominations along the way.

The men were led by the solid leadership of co-captains senior Gus Harper and junior Eli Gladden. The distances once again proved to be a strength for the Gauchos, who dominated much of the competition in conference matchups.

Senior Dave Cullum saved some of his best collegiate racing for last, claiming two Big West titles in the 5,000 meters (14:49.12) and 3,000-meter steeplechase (9:14.05). Cullum's top mark of the season in the 3,000-meter steeplechase fell just short of qualifying provisionally for the NCAA championships.

Freshman Don Oliver improved beyond everybody's ex-

pectations by capturing both the Big West and California State championships in the 400 meters. He finished the season with a personal best time of 46.70 in this event — just shy of the Gaucho record of 46.35. Not to be outdone, sophomore teammate Adrian Garcia also posted a win at the Big West championships in the 800 meters.

Although the women's squad failed to grab any Big West titles, it did take several all-conference nominations.

Senior Kara Bradbury pulled off a second-place finish in the 10,000 meters (37:21.2) and a sixth-place showing in the 5,000 meters (17:58.6). Meanwhile, junior Eva Mattson proved to be quite a surprise for the Gauchos as she battled to finish second in the 3,000 meters with a time of 10:06.16, 10 seconds better than her previous best mark.

Both senior Lisa Knott and junior Julie Mosier achieved personal bests as they went two-three in the 400-meter hurdles with times of 1:01.83 and 1:01.99, respectively. The duo also ran to a four-five finish in the 100-meter hurdles, with



Senior Lisa Knott (above) and junior Julie Moser were UCSB's top hurdlers in both the 100- and 400-meter events, both earning top five finishes at the Big West Championships.

Knott (14.73) once again barely edging out Mosier (14.86).

Despite the track program's lack of funding for enticing top athletes to come to UCSB, both the men's and women's teams proved to be contenders in the Big West Conference.

"Our athletes were very qualified and dedicated but we lacked depth in certain areas, which definitely hurt us," said Head Coach Pete Dolan. "As a coach, I get frustrated because it is my responsibility to bring people into the program."

However, until the UCSB track program has sufficient funds to offer scholarships to top athletes, the Gauchos will never be able to reach the next level of competition as they continue to challenge for the Big West title.



A Black Tide member attempts to complete a pass. The squad posted a 3-3 record in last weekend's Santa Barbara Classic.

### Black Tide Squad Makes Waves in Santa Barbara Classic Tournament

By Brian Berger  
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The UCSB ultimate team played in the Annual Santa Barbara Classic Saturday and Sunday, a rare Memorial Day weekend appearance for the Black Tide.

The Gauchos were in an unusual position after failing to qualify for the Collegiate National Tournament, which is always held on the same weekend as the Classic. The team has enjoyed success at the National Tournament in the past, including winning successive national titles from 1988 to 1990 and qualifying for the semifinals eight times. But because the team did not make this year's field, UCSB was able to compete in the Classic for only the second time in 12 years.

The Classic, hosted by the Santa Barbara Condors, attracts top club teams, which are one level above collegiate. UCSB was the only campus to enter a team in the field, and was represented by a squad in both the A and B divisions.

The A team was able to win three of its five matches Saturday, including a victory over a strong club from UC San Diego. But although the 3-2 record was good enough to place the team in Sunday's finals, its success came to an end Sunday when the squad faced top-seeded Double Happiness from UC San Francisco, which handed the Gauchos a 15-12 defeat.

Black Tide team member Greg Husak was able to shut down the best and tallest player on Double Happiness and collected a pair of

### Gauchos Close Out '95 Season With Strong Showing in Championships at Lake Natoma

By Mark Moore  
Staff Writer

Giving their all in the last races of the year, the UCSB men's and women's crew teams ended their respective seasons with solid performances at the Pacific Coast Rowing Championship in Lake Natoma, Sacramento, May 20 and 21.

The Gauchos accomplished what they set out to do and in some cases more, as the women's varsity team took fourth place in the eight-person-boat grand final, while the four-person petites took second place.

The men claimed sixth overall in their eight-person boat and the women's novice A took sixth as well. The women's novice B boat rowed to a

first-place finish in the final to round out the action.

As a member of the women's four-person boat, co-captain Jen Draper was very pleased with the work of her boat and the team as a whole.

"We had a really good race," Draper said. "We did the best that we have done all year. As a team we lived up to our potential."

The men's team barely made it to the finals, beating the University of Santa Clara by .03 second in the preliminary round Saturday. The squad went on to finish sixth out of seven boats in the final, missing fifth place by .3 second to UC Irvine.

The novice women's A and B boats, led by Laurel Hitchens and Kristen Borland, demonstrated that the women's team should be even stronger next

year based on the athletes' hard work all season and strong finishes in the final.

Erin Crowley was upbeat about the B boat's first-place finish and the season as a whole.

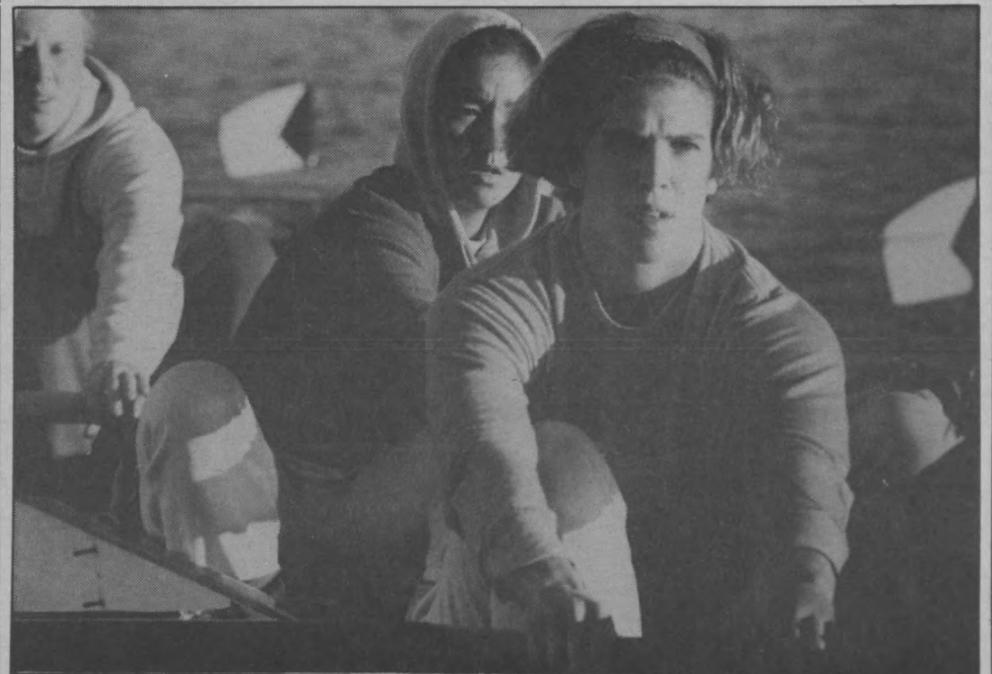
"At the end we sprinted," she said. "[That was] something we worked on all season and we pulled it out in the end."

"I think we had a very good year," Crowley added. "We were all really happy. Our coach, Daren [Anderson], made us work hard all year and that really paid off for us."

The season has officially ended, but there is some post-season work ahead for 10 members of the men's and women's teams.

The men will be sending coxswain Ori Katz and rowers

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The UCSB women's crew team will send five competitors to the Collegiate National Championship Regatta in Cincinnati June 9 and 10 while the men will compete June 1 to 3 in New Jersey.

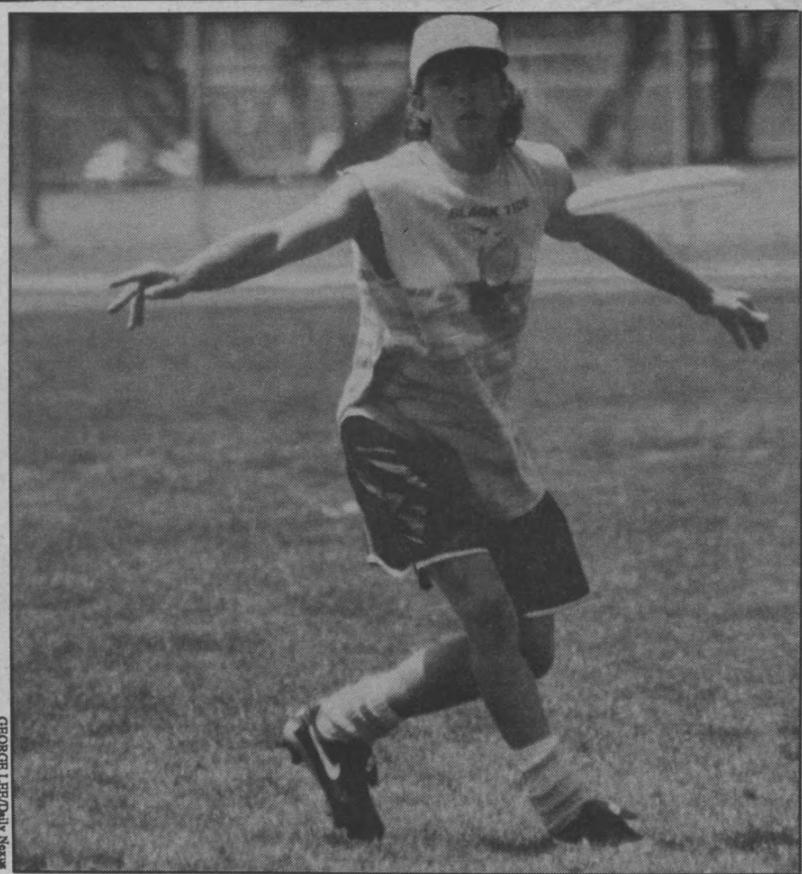
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## TIDE

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D's in the end zone, which helped keep UCSB close. Offensively, Eric Waller, who was injured in Saturday's play, made an incredible catch as he dove into the end

zone, coming down with the score.

"Everybody was real solid," said Andy Crews. "It was pretty different because we kept the team down to 11 players, and we usually have up to 28. One guy sprained an ankle and we were down to 10 on Sunday, and

then we had someone suffer a bruised knee, which limited us to two subs."

The Gauchos' B team did not fare as well as its A counterpart. UCSB managed only a 1-4 record Saturday, not enough to place it in the second round.

## GAUCHOS

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Chuck Guentz, Kevin Mahoney, Sean Toner and Chris Pohoski to Camden, N.J., June 1 to 3 for the Intercollegiate

Rowing Association competition. The women will be represented by Suzanne Medeiros, Christina LaBrie, Laura Nichols, Deeann Liu and coxswain Laura Simon at the Collegiate National Championship Regatta in Cincinnati June 9 and 10.

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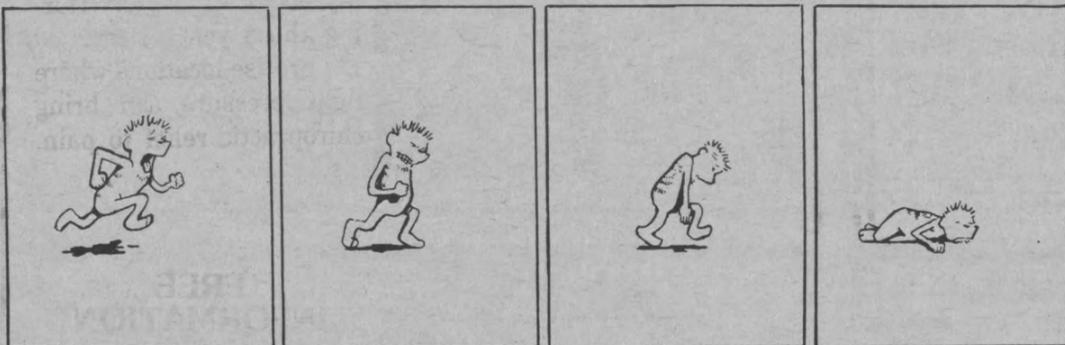
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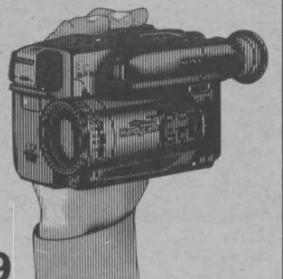
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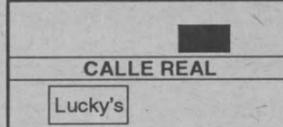
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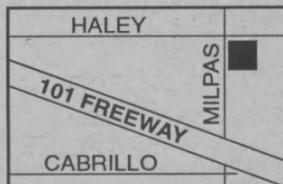


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