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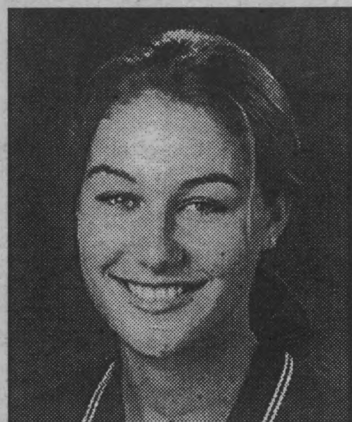
## Gauchos Can't Pan Out Victory Vs. LBSU 49ers

■ Katie Crawford Returns to Action After a Month

By STEVE WENDT  
Staff Writer

UCSB All-American senior Katie Crawford returned to the floor for the #7 Gauchos' women's volleyball team last Saturday night, but the top-ranked Long Beach State 49ers' mastery of Santa Barbara continued despite her appearance.

The Gauchos were soundly defeated 9-15, 5-15, 6-15 in front of the largest crowd ever assembled at Long Beach State's Pyramid arena. The gathering of 5,118 witnessed a



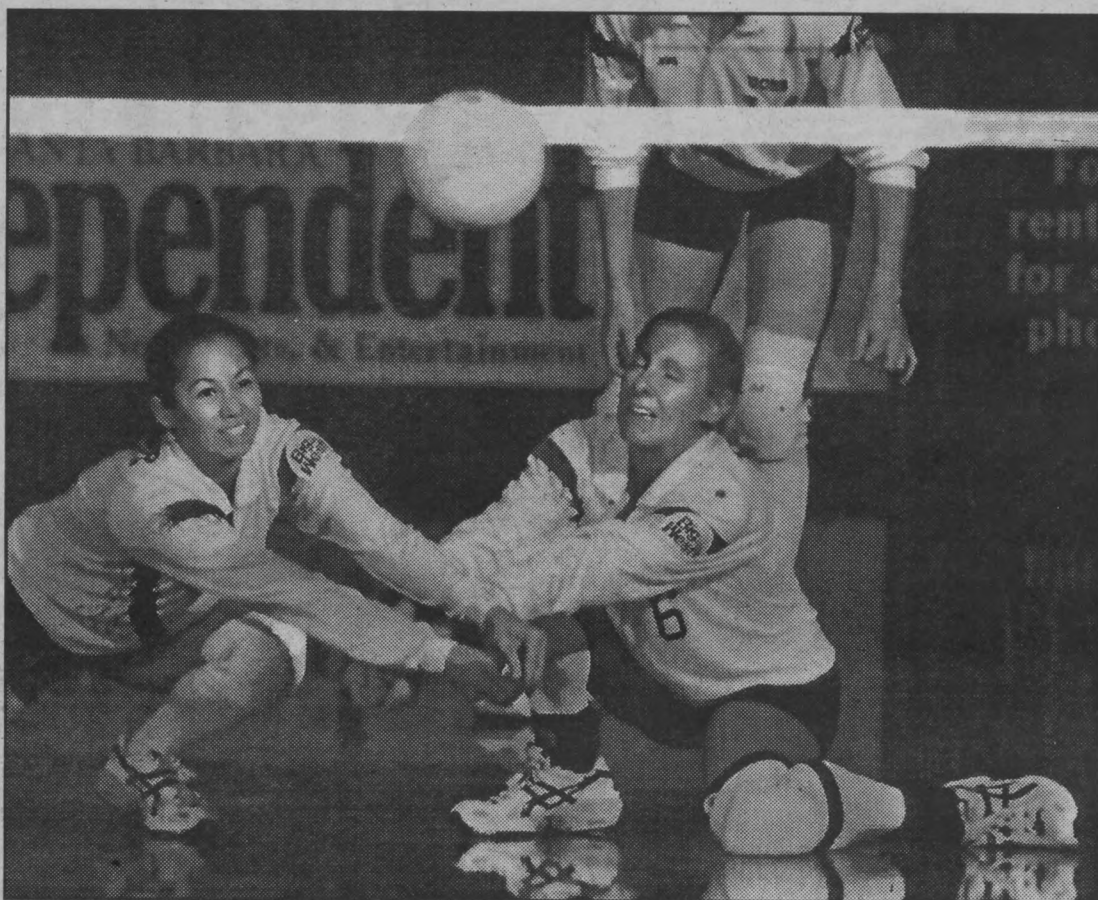
Katie Crawford

match in which neither team was very impressive offensively. The #1 49ers (24-0 overall, 14-0 in the Big West Conference) hit a lackluster .152 hitting percentage while UCSB was even less effective and could muster only a paltry -.060 mark.

"It was a strange Long Beach match; it wasn't your typical offensive match," said UCSB Head Coach Kathy Gregory, whose Gauchos lost to Long Beach State in five games Oct. 2. "They beat us convincingly but they hit .152. The difference was that we just weren't in a good offensive rhythm. We couldn't run the right side. It was probably the worst offensive night we've had, but Long Beach had a lot to do with it. Clearly we're not at the same level as them right now."

Long Beach State Head Coach Brian Gimmillaro was pleased with the 49ers' performance, which marked the eighth straight victory over Santa Barbara (22-5, 11-3).

"We were really pretty efficient," Gimmillaro said. "Some points that we gave up, we gave up very late in the match. Late in the



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**DIGGIN' FOR GOLD:** Senior Tania Yamishita and junior Roberta Gehlke came up empty in their attempt to knock off #1 Long Beach State.

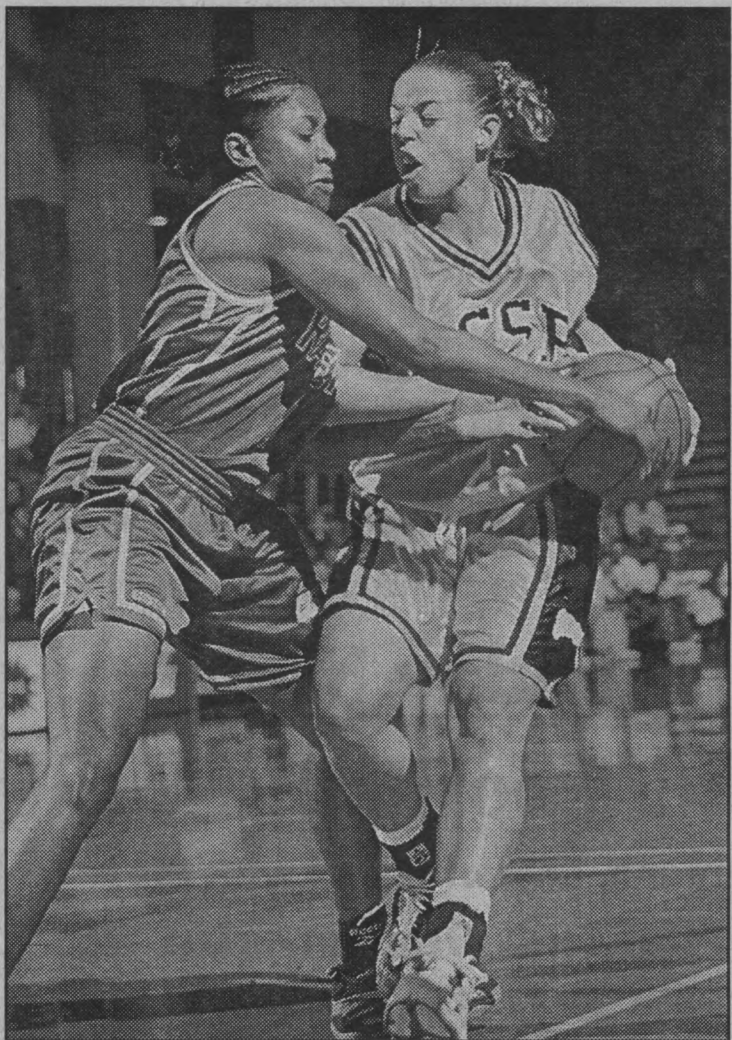
games, we were very anxious to end the game and that happens, but we played a very high level of volleyball tonight."

UCSB was playing with injuries to key contributors. Juniors Charlene Conley (knee) and Michelle Christ (back) appeared in the match but were held in check.

One Gaucho who was in the lineup for the first time in a month was senior All-American Katie Crawford. The 6'3" middle blocker's right thumb has healed to the point that she is able to play despite a tape-job that pins the most-watched digit in the Big West under her palm.

By her All-American standards, Crawford (six kills) appeared a little rusty. Despite being out of the groove on offense, however, the Fallbrook native made an immediate impact at the net (three blocks) and, surprisingly with the heavy

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**HANGIN' WITH MS. COOPER:** The Riverland Raiders couldn't hang with junior Tawnee Cooper or the rest of the Gauchos.

## SB Hoopsters Have G'Day Against Aussies

By STEVE WENDT  
Staff Writer

The Riverland Raiders from Australia proved to be no Great Barrier for the #24 UCSB women's basketball team last Friday night in the Thunderdome.

The Gauchos ran away from the Aussies 94-57 in an exhibition laughter that showcased what is best about the defending Big West champs and what Santa Barbara needs to work on in order to prove themselves among the nation's elite programs.

UCSB, ranked in the top 25 by the Associated Press for only the second time in the program's history, started the contest with sloppy play and found itself trailing by two points at the 7:23 mark of the game. The Gauchos, however, began to pour it on the visitors behind a 29-6 run to end the first half.

UCSB junior Kristi Rohr had 15 of her team-high 17 points in the first half. Senior Stephanie Shadwell poured in 10 of her 12 points in the first half as well.

The Gauchos had 10 players log at least 14 minutes on the floor. That depth had UCSB Head Coach Mark French relieved and dismayed all at one time as his squad tunes up for late November dates with Big Ten foes Northwestern and Wisconsin.

"I think it's pretty obvious that we have a lot of kids that can play pretty well off the bench," French said. "It's a good thing we were 10 deep because the way we were fouling, we certainly needed it. That's one of the things we were upset about. Of course, if we go to Wisconsin and foul like that, we're going to lose by 30."

Santa Barbara was whistled for fouls 23 times and turned the ball over a whopping 27 times in the

victory.

Freshman forward Kayte Christensen tallied 12 points and nine rebounds in her T-dome debut, but had a few bumps along the way also, fouling out in 14 minutes of play.

"Kayte had a good game, albeit a little out of control," French said. "I think that was just a lot of excitement by her."

Sophomore preseason All-American Erin Buescher turned in a well-rounded performance with 12 points, 50 percent from the field, eight boards, five assists and six steals.

The Gauchos were not altogether happy with their performances.

"I think it was a good start for us, but we still have so many things to work on," said senior point guard Sheila Frial, whose dogged defense of the Raiders' point brought the crowd to its feet in the second half. "It was a good start, but we can't send a team to the free-throw line that much. We need to calm down."

Junior All-Big West performer Stacy Clinesmith thought the Gauchos have to improve their turnover ratio in order to be successful.

"The main thing is just taking care of the ball," Clinesmith said. "We had turnovers that they didn't force, if we do that against any team we're playing in the near future, we're going to lose."

Clinesmith also had some mixed emotions about the Gauchos, who returned all five starters from last year's team that missed the Sweet 16 by five points, being ranked at #24 in the polls.

"It's good to finally break the top 25," Clinesmith said. "But we know we're better, we just have to prove it to everyone else."

### Sporting Events Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
No events scheduled	No events scheduled	Men's Basketball vs. Taiwanese National Team 7 p.m. in T-dome  Women's Tennis @ Rolex Regionals in Irvine through Sunday	No events scheduled	Women's Volleyball vs. UC Irvine 7 p.m. in T-dome Men's Soccer vs. Cal Poly 7 p.m. at Harder Stadium Men's Water Polo @ Pepperdine 3 p.m. Swim/Dive @ UCLA 1 p.m.	Women's Volleyball vs. CSUF 7 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Slovakia 3 p.m. Men's Water Polo @ LBSU 7 p.m. M/W Cross Country @ NCAA Region 8 in Fresno 10 a.m. Men's Basketball @ Pepperdine 5 p.m.	No events scheduled



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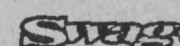
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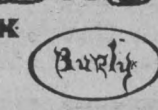
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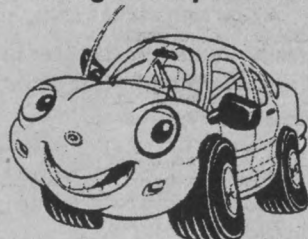
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wrap, in the back row (six digs and 0 receiving errors).

"I wanted Katie Crawford to play," Gregory said. "I don't look at the stats, I look at the fact that she's going to be part of our program if we're going to go anywhere. She was feeling fine, we just haven't set her so it was hard to connect with her. She passed well and she competed. As far as I look at it, it's a plus to have her out there playing."

With Crawford's decision to play left up to the last minute, that put Gimmillarro in a tough spot.

"It was difficult, because we had a game plan without her," Gimmillarro said. "Then we had to go back to our old game plan at game time. But I wasn't surprised she played."

Crawford herself was not about to miss a showdown with the 49ers.

"I wouldn't miss it, not in my senior year," Crawford said. "I just wish I'd played better. I wish the outcome was different, but we know what we need to work on definitely."

Junior Roberta Gehlke led UCSB in kills with seven as well as digs with 11. LBSU junior Anja Grabavoc had game-high marks in

kills (8) and hitting average (.438). Senior setter Misty May, the defending AVCA Player of the Year, had a game-high 12 digs.

The Gauchos have two remaining conference matches left this season. UCSB will face Big West Western Division doormats UC Irvine and Cal State Fullerton. Santa Barbara hosts the Anteaters (9-20, 4-10) on Friday while the Titans (9-16, 3-11) visit Saturday. CSUF beat Irvine in four games at home last Saturday.

Each match is in the Thunderdome and begins at 7 p.m.

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**Aries** (March 21-April 19)—Today is a 6—There's a grand trine in fire signs going on, which always lights you up. In fact, you're lighting others up, too, as we speak. Be cautious about what you say, however, especially with somebody you love. Make sure you don't accidentally hurt someone's feelings by coming on too strong.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20)—Today is a 5—You may feel like you're under attack. That's just because there's a grand cross in fixed signs going on. Nobody will budge and nothing seems to be getting accomplished. Actually, you're accomplishing something. You're making sure your needs are met, which is very important right now. Stick to your guns.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21)—Today is a 5—Your work is challenging, but you're learning fast. Some of what you're learning is making things harder. The information is coming in, but it's contradicting what you thought you already had. Keep after it. You're bound to discover the facts; that's more important than somebody else's interpretation of the truth.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22)—Today is a 6—You're decisive and powerful, as well as more affectionate. You might have a strong sense that you don't have enough money. Even though it's not altogether true, why not figure out how to make a little more, instead of spending more? That would calm your fears and give you cash in reserve.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22)—Today is a 6—It seems as if somebody's not letting you do what you want. Actually, it could be another side of your own personality slowing you down, and that's not necessarily a bad thing. You can get an awful lot of good advice from your own considerations. You should listen to them and heed what they have to teach you.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Today is a 6—You're generally good about keeping your agreements, but it looks like something has snuck up on you that you don't want to handle, so it's almost overdue. You could come as close as you ever get to missing a deadline. Better go through your list again and check, just to be on the safe side.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Today is a 6—A couple of strong leaders want to control your life, and they're fighting for your attention. It's up to you which way you go. Pick the one that's going to lead you where you want to go. Don't be an idiot about this. Pay attention to what's going on around you.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)—Today is a 6—Don't get into a snit if things don't go quite the way you want. You're not in control of the situation, which should be obvious. For a change, somebody wants to order you around. You'll do well to comply graciously. That's your best chance for regaining the power in this situation. If you resist, you'll only make matters worse.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Today is a 7—You're under pressure, but that's OK. You're also very creative. You'll be able to solve the problem, once you figure out exactly what it is. That's the difficult part. You're going to have to figure it out for yourself. Once you've got that part mastered, the rest is going to be easy.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)—Today is a 7—Focus on how you can best invest your time and talent. Looks like there's a way for you to provide a little security for yourself and your family. This could be nothing more significant than buying your canned goods in case lots. Food is a wonderful way to save, although you'll probably think of many other ways.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—Today is a 5—If you don't speak up, there's going to be a logjam, and nothing will get accomplished. Two powerful people are arguing over who's in control, and both could be missing something important. That's where you come in. Your vote is pivotal. Once you've made that decision, the next move is to find the money.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20)—Today is a 5—There seems to be more work than play today, but don't worry about it. It's just preparation for better times to come. Besides that, your energy level should be high. You're feeling a little pressed, but that's OK. You can power through it, and that's the assignment anyway.

**Today's Birthday** (Nov. 9). You're facing a conflict with authority right now, and that's your lesson for this year. Learn how to manage someone else so he or she makes decisions that work for you. This is not a difficult task for a Scorpio. In fact, it's sort of your life's calling. Do it with love and it's even fun. Anticipate changes in December, both to your income and your thinking. A goal you've long held is approachable in January, and by February you could have it nailed down. Save most of March for romance, with a person you've known for years. It's also a good month for playing with children. An old task is easy if you play by the rules in April, and you could accept more responsibility in August. Doing that will help you achieve the success you've earned. Let others take care of you in September.

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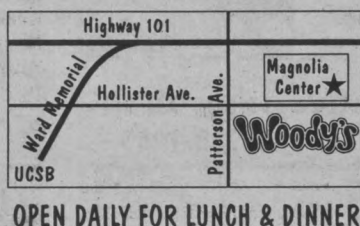


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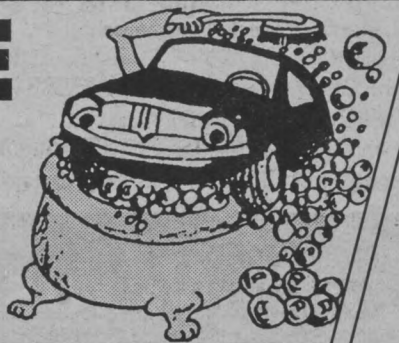


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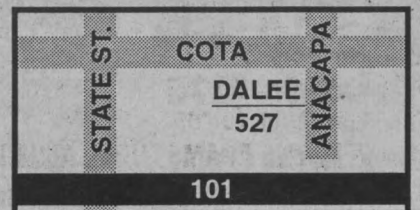


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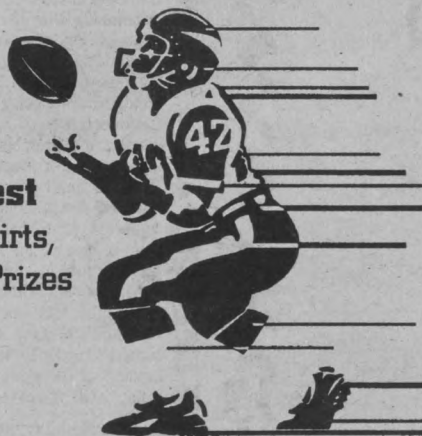
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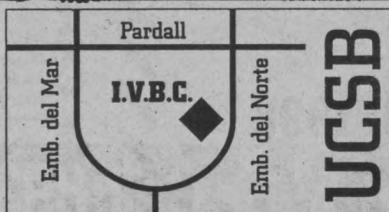
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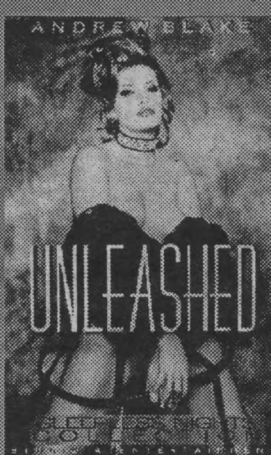


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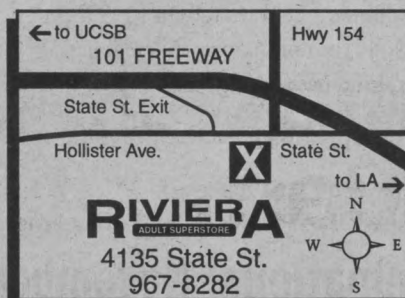
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