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Bruins Barely Breeze by SB; Gauchos Comeback at Irvine

Tough Overtime Loss to UCLA Triggers Win Over Irvine

By Deborah Raffi
Staff Writer

Dangling like a carrot in front of the UCSB men's soccer team this weekend was a chance to say "Yes, we came in undefeated, and stayed that way." However, the Gauchos (8-5, 3-1 MPSF) were only able to do the next best thing.

Perhaps the biggest game of the season for the young team was lost against UCLA Friday as the Bruins beat the Gauchos 2-1 in overtime at Spaulding Field. Yet Santa Barbara converted the disappointment into an immense desire to win as they went to UC Irvine two days later.

Ranked 9th in the nation, the Bruins provided the greatest threat to the Gauchos this season. But with a lot of determination, the UCLA squad worked hard on the field to maintain their title.

The entire first half of the game consisted of numerous shot opportunities for both squads but ended 0-0 until Bruin midfielder Eddie Lewis finally put a goal on the scoreboard in the second half.

Within 12 minutes,

freshman forward Danny Mann, out of Riverside, CA, scored UCSB's first and only goal, tying the game 1-1.

Athletes from both UCLA and Santa Barbara sped up and down the length of the field for the remainder of the second half, struggling to play a strong defense as well as attempt to break the tie with a winning goal.

But neither team was successful in pushing itself over the top until the game went into overtime when the Bruins finally declared victory.

"I really thought we were going to beat them," goalie Travis Harding said. "We were better than them and we outplayed them. It just takes everything out of you and we've definitely come around so far."

"I think our biggest weakness was that we were just unlucky," Mann added. "It isn't just skill and tactics. We also need luck to win. We're going to come up higher for Irvine. I just know it."

The Gauchos did seize the opportunity to transform frustration, disappointment, and anger into an important ingredient in any game: desire.

But along with that de-

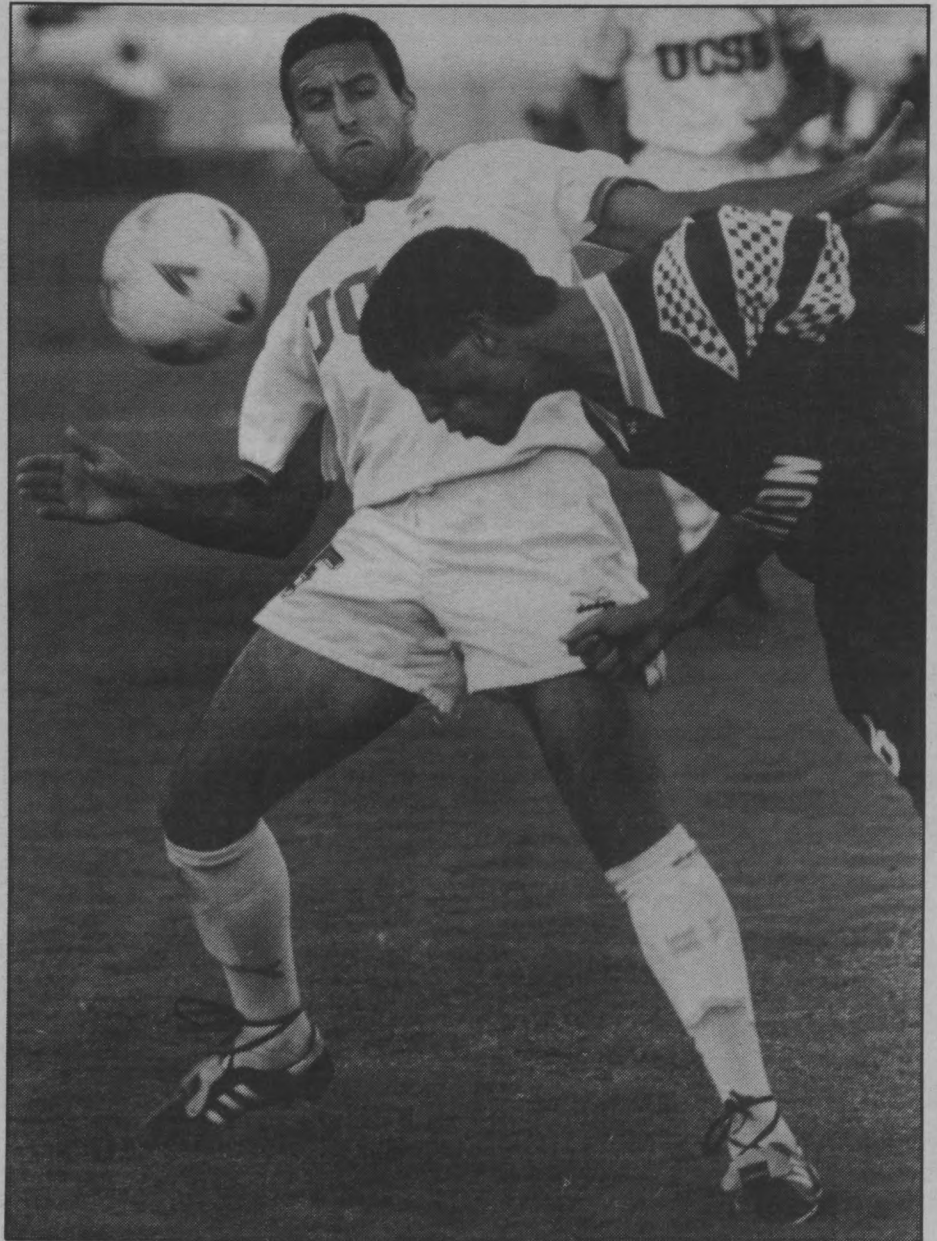
sire, coming off the UCLA loss created an enormous sense of determination for the players and the coaching staff, and the team has a 5-3 win over the Anteaters to prove it.

UCSB midfielder Matt Arya kicked off the afternoon game with a six-yard shot at the 13:33 mark. Irvine's Richard Breza tied the match with a 10-yard shot on the assist from Jon Szczuka with 16:51 on the clock.

Irvine's P.J. Polowski scored the Anteaters' next goal with a six-yard header.

But Gaucho Kristian Berre ended the half 2-2 with a 15-yard shot from the right side. After half-time, Santa Barbara midfielder Ralph Robertson put the team ahead at the 62-minute mark on an assist from Arya who scored his second goal of the game two minutes later off an assist from sweeper Pat Griffin.

The Gauchos continued to blaze down the field scoring a fifth goal at the 66:24 mark when defender Jason Deal scored unassisted, eight yards from the net. Irvine's final goal of the game came at the 86-minute mark as Polowski scored on a three-



MICHAEL D'EPORO/Daily Nexus

The UCSB men's soccer team survived a tough loss to #9 UCLA on Friday night and were able to take their frustrations out on Irvine on Sunday afternoon.

yard shot.

UCSB Head Coach Mark Arya and team will

play their last home game this Friday against the UNLV Rebels before mov-

ing on to New Mexico the following Sunday.



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After a tough loss to UCLA on Friday the Gaucho water polo team took a big win over #2 UC Berkeley.

Big Weekend Leaves Water Polo Squad Satisfied

By Chris Ganci
Staff Writer

The Gauchos' water polo team split two games this weekend, but the one victory may be the springboard for UCSB as they head into the tail end of the 1994 season. The Gauchos lost to UCLA at Campus Pool, Friday, 9-7, but rebounded yesterday to post a historic 12-10

triumph at home over the #2 California Golden Bears.

Why was the win so historic? Well, it marked the first time in 12 years that a Gaucho water polo team has been able to defeat Cal and only the seventh time in 37 series games. On top of all the history, the victory snapped a three-game losing streak for Santa Barbara (7-9 overall, 3-4 MPSF).

"It was a very exciting game," senior tri-captain Doug Wierenga said, who played a huge part in the win during UCSB's third-quarter surge. "I've been here four years, and it is the biggest win I've been a part of."

"The team finally figured out that if you put together a whole game of fundamentals, it pays off," senior Colum Lavelle said. "We were dictating the

play and they were having to come back. Dominating the way we did, it's just incredible."

The Gauchos and Bears went back and forth in an entertaining first half, with UCSB holding a slim 6-5 advantage. However, it was only a prelude for what was to come, with Wierenga providing the early second-half spark.

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Strong Finish at SLO Puts Cross Country in Good Spot

By Steven Large
Staff Writer

The UCSB men's and women's cross country teams ended their season on a good note this weekend, and hope that the same note will carry them into their conference championships with a crescendo.

The Gaucho women finished third at the San Luis Obispo Invitational with 93 points while the men finished their race in second with 63 points.

"It was [the men's team's] best performance of the year," Santa Barbara coach Pete Dolan said. "I think that they're getting stronger and stronger. I feel very confident going into the championships."

UCSB's top finishers for the men were sixth-place Dave Cullum (25:58), seventh-place Brad Glosser (26:04), and eighth-place Paul Goodrich (26:08). San Luis Obispo's men's team won the race with 47 total points.

One reason for the Gauchos success at this weekend's meet was that they were able to run in a tight pack, something that they've been striving for all season.

"I was talking to Fresno State's coach

[Red Estes] after the meet and he was saying how we were starting to turn some heads," Cullum said.

The UCSB women's team competed in their race with a couple of runners who were sick (Beckie Levy and Heather Bray), but still put on a good show.

Kara Bradbury finished first for the Gauchos, coming in 15th with a time of 18:25, while Eliza Alexander finished right behind her in 16th at 18:25, and Deanna Hadley came in 18th at 18:35.

"They were a little bit off," Dolan said. "They were in better shape than they ran."

Fresno State finished first with 47 points and Stanford came in second with 85 points.

Both teams are expecting positive results in the Big West Conference Championships.

"Our goal is to win Big West," Bradbury said. "But to do that everyone will need to run a good race."

Coach Dolan's decision on who to put in the starting seven was made over the weekend, and there weren't many surprises on his list. For the women, the team

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Schielke and Alotis Elect to Leave SB Women's Basketball Program

Last week, the UCSB Athletic Dept. announced that sophomore guards Kim Schielke and Raquel Alotis have decided to leave the women's basketball program. Both players attribute their decisions to personal reasons.

Schielke, a 5'9" sophomore guard from Palmdale, Calif., played in 23 games as a freshman and averaged 4.6 points and 3.2 rebounds per game. Alotis, a 5'7" redshirt sophomore guard from Palos Verdes, Calif., played in 25 games as a freshman and averaged 1.9 points per game.

"We are very sorry to see them leave the program," UCSB Head Coach Mark French said. "We will miss them a great deal and we wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors."

With the two guards leaving, the Gauchos are entering the season with eight returning letter-winners and 10 players on the roster. Schielke and Alotis are enrolled for the Fall Quarter and both plan on continuing their education at UC Santa Barbara.

—Jenny Kok

KCSB 91.9 FM/Nexus Sports NFL & Collegiate Football Top-10 Poll

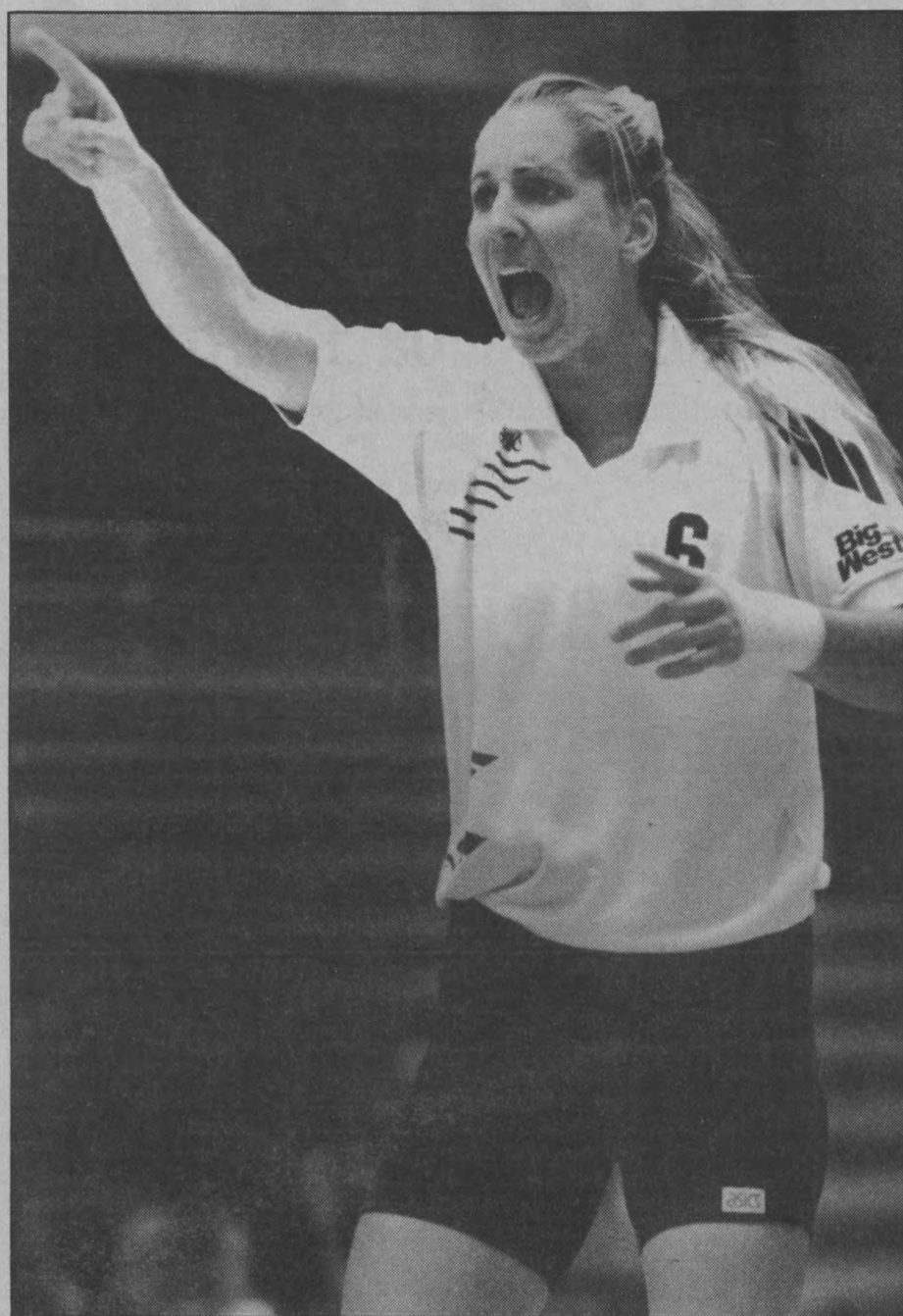
NCAA Div. IA Football

Team & Ranking	Rec.	LP
1. Colorado (9)	6-0	5
Pen State (7)	6-0	4
3. Auburn U. (3)	7-0	8
4. Nebraska (1)	7-0	3
5. U. of Miami	4-1	9
6. U. of Florida	5-1	1
7. Florida State	4-1	2
8. Texas A&M	7-0	-
9. Alabama	7-0	-
10. Washington	5-1	-

National Football League

Team & Ranking	Rec.	LP
1. Dallas Cowboys (17)	5-1	2
2. San Diego Chargers (1)	6-0	7
3. San Francisco 49ers (1)	5-2	1
4. Philadelphia Eagles	4-2	9
5. Miami Dolphins	5-2	4
6. Cleveland Browns	5-1	10
7. Minnesota Vikings	4-2	-
8. Chicago Bears	4-2	-
9. Buffalo Bills	4-3	6
10. Kansas City Chiefs	3-2	3

* Poll taken Oct. 16th
 *Next Poll Taken Oct. 30th
 () Number of First Place Votes
 LP - Ranking in last poll



RACHEL WEILL/Daily Nexus
 Outside hitter Shannan Meixsell helps get her teammates fired up on the court. Meixsell led the squad with 8 digs against Utah on Friday night.

No Mercy for Aggies as Gauchos Quickly Take Two Over Weekend

By Jenny Kok
 Staff Writer

Two matches in less than two hours—the only way to describe it is complete and total domination.

This weekend, the #7 UCSB women's volleyball

team quickly took two wins in a pair of matches against the Utah State Aggies, (15-4, 15-1, 15-6), (15-2, 15-4, 15-1).

The Gauchos were the heavy favorite in this matchup. Looking towards their tough future schedule, they decided to use these games as an opportunity to get the bench

some playing time.

"We are at the toughest point in our schedule now," UCSB Head Coach Kathy Gregory explained. "Although we weren't going into these two matches expecting to win, we did

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GAUCHO SPORTS: THE WEEK AHEAD OCT. 17 - OCT. 21

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
(no games scheduled)	Women's Volleyball vs. Loyola Marymont, at LMU, 7:00 p.m.	Women's Soccer vs. CS Fullerton, at Harder Stadium, 4:00 p.m.	(no games scheduled)	Women's Volleyball vs. U. of New Mexico, at Stanford, 5:00 p.m. Swimming and Diving vs. Cal Poly SLO, at Campus Pool, 2:00 p.m. Men's Soccer vs. UNLV, at Harder Stadium, 7:00 p.m.

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SWEEP

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know that we would most likely have the opportunity to get our bench some time on the court. We did that, and we did it very successfully."

The Gauchos clearly dominated both matches against the Aggies, out-hitting them 31 (.417 hitting percentage) to 18 (.000 hitting percentage) on Friday night and 41 (.511) to 17 (.014) on Saturday afternoon. UCSB blocking was also much more consistent than in past matches as they out-blocked Utah 10-2 on Friday and 8-1 on Saturday.

"Jen Kaylor really got it started," UCSB middle blocker Tammy Stiner said. "She got the first block of the match and it really put a lot of confidence in the rest of the team, and got them going."

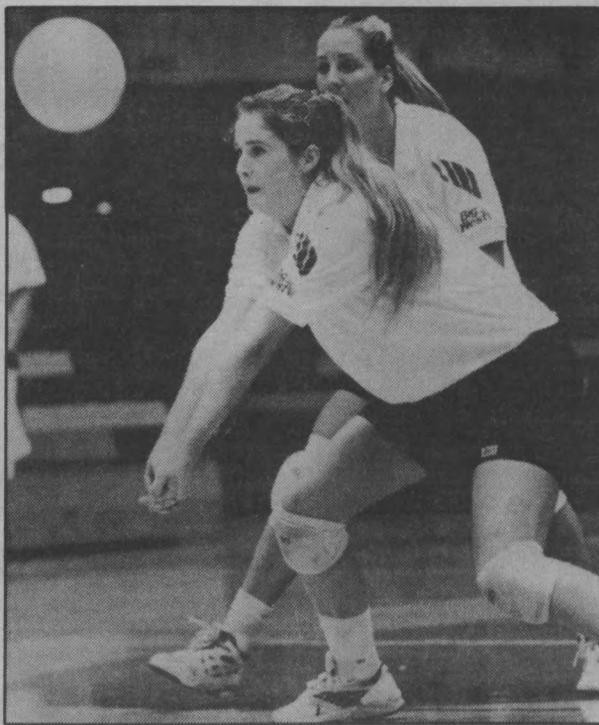
"We took advantage of our situation and worked on things that we needed to work on, but we never

played down the whole time. This really prepared us to go into these big matches coming up, knowing that we have to have good form."

Kaylor led the Gauchos both matches in hitting and in blocking. On Friday, she pounded out seven kills at .600 accuracy and was a virtual giant at the net tallying five block assists and two solo blocks. Saturday Kaylor pounded away, amassing 15 kills (.619) and made two assisted and two solo blocks.

Stiner also pulled through for UCSB, grabbing a match-high eight digs on Saturday while also pounding out five kills (.667) and tallying three block assists. On Friday, Shannan Meixsell led the team defensively with eight digs.

"This was kind of a fun couple of games for us," Gregory said. "We got to play some of the girls in different positions that we'll never get the chance to do again. I am glad that



Freshman Jennifer Stroffe takes the serve against the Aggies on Friday night where she tallied 5 digs.

our reserves played well, but I am also worried because these two games really didn't prepare us for our upcoming schedule.

We are going to have to have an extra tough practice to get ready for Loyola on Tuesday."

SPLIT

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Wierenga exploded for three early second-half points, converting nice passes by his teammates into a two-pointer, followed quickly by another goal that gave UCSB a commanding 9-5 lead.

"The team moved the ball really well [on the two-pointer]," Wierenga said. "Half the goal was wide open, but it was set

up by the good movement."

"On the second goal, I got a great pass from [teammate Nikola Ivanovic], and again I had half the goal to shoot at. Both goals were set up by other guys' awareness."

Besides Wierenga's heroics, the third quarter was also marked by the ejection of Cal coach Steve Heaston. Inconsistent officiating had both Heaston and UCSB Head Coach Joe O'Brien fuming, but it

was Heaston who crossed the line.

"They were shocked that we were playing so hard," Lavelle said. "Doug's performance just blew them away."

Without Heaston, the Bears did mount a comeback, cutting the lead to 11-10 in the final period, but Lavelle scored his fourth goal of the game late to give the Gauchos some insurance before some suffocating defense down the stretch sealed

the win.

The frustration level reached its peak against UCLA, when the Gauchos narrowly lost despite outplaying the Bruins in the second half. With the powerhouse Bears in town, the Gauchos utilized that frustration and an underdog mentality to shock the boys from Berkeley.

"It's fun playing when you have everything to gain and nothing to lose," said Lavelle.

SLO

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will be made up of:
—Kara Bradbury
—Eliza Alexander
—Beckie Levy
—Deanna Hadley
—Gabby Rodriguez
—Eva Matson
—Heather Bray
And the men's starting se-

ven will include:
—Dave Cullum
—Brad Glosser
—Paul Goodrich
—Nate Weber
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—Forrest Quinlan
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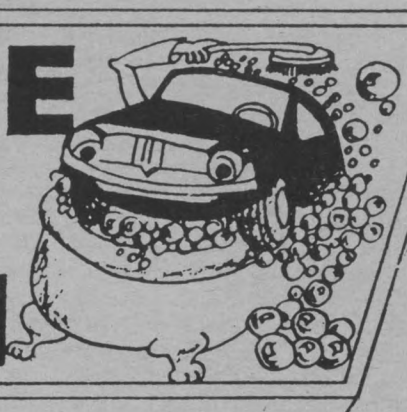
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