

A LONG WEEKEND: With the Gauchos hoping to sweep the #15 Long Beach State 49ers and play the role of spoiler. things didn't quite go as planned. UCSB shortstop Matt Bokemeier (left) applies the tag at second base during Friday's 2-1 Gaucho loss. The 49ers also won Saturday, getting to Santa Barbara freshman Jared Janke (below, left), and took the series finale on Sunday. The losses dropped UCSB four games under the .500 mark for the season.

Photos Gerry

# Swinging for a Spring Cleaning of 49ers, Gauchos Are Swept at Home

#15 LBSU Tallies 24 Runs to Take Series

By Jason Masini

With its recent string of successes, the UCSB baseball team was hoping to carry that good fortune through this weekend's series against 15th-ranked Long Beach State.

Somewhere along the ride, the train got derailed and the Gauchos were swept, losing 10-7 on Sunday, 12-4 Saturday and 2-1 in Friday's action. The losses dropped UCSB's record to 21-25-1 overall and 6-12 in the Big West while LBSU raised its mark to 31-17 and 14-4.

Already behind 2-0 after a two-run home run by John Swanson in the first inning, Santa Barbara came back to tie it in the bottom of the second when Jared Janke led the inning off with a double which was followed by a Mike Wolger single. Janke scored on a Zach Elliot single and Wolger crossed home plate on a single by Matt Bazzani.

In the third inning, the roof collapsed on UCSB as they gave up six runs, the biggest blow being Brian Whatley's two-out grand slam to right center field. The thing that hurt the most was that the homer came right after Gaucho pitcher Armando Delsi had struck out the previous batter but reached on a passed ball, extending the inning and giving the 49ers an 8-2 lead.

"In that six-run third inning, we gave them six outs," UCSB Head Coach Al Ferrer said. "We get a comebacker and we try to do something that's not there. We get strike three and it ends up costing us four runs and then we

have the bunt down the first base line and try to make a onehanded tag and the ball gets kicked out. So that's three outs plus the three we got - that's six

The Gauchos did mount a comeback, scoring a single run in the third and then three more in the fifth inning as Rich Haar walked to lead off, Janke followed with a single and Jeremy Sherman walked after a fielder's choice. Elliot stepped to the plate and cleared the bases with a triple and UCSB suddenly found itself down only two runs

Santa Barbara got to within one run of the lead after a tally in the sixth inning, but Brian Stevenson was the main reason the Gauchos were able to stay close at all as he allowed only one run in his 4.2 innings of re-

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# Softball Squad's Pursuit of Roadrunners Ends in Sweep

By Michael Kohn Staff Writer

The UCSB softball team broke out of a month-long slump in grand fashion Friday by holding host New Mexico State Roadrunners in check and sweeping the squads' doubleheader, 3-2 and 5-0.

The victories may prove to be the Gauchos' 1993 highlight and best display of softball this season. The two road wins mark the first Gaucho sweep since the UCSB tournament in March.

"The whole team played really good," pitcher Stacy Atwood said. "It felt like how we played before [the slump].

The first game set the stage for what was to be a successful afternoon for UCSB. In a nail-biter, UCSB (21-24 overall, 8-16 in the Big West) broke the game open with two runs in the top of the seventh, breaking a 1-1 tie. However, NMSU (13-26, 5-21), playing on its home field in

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# **UCSB Golfers Hope Conference** Championship Fits Them to a Tee

With the start of the Big West Tournament today in Las Vegas, the UCSB men's golf team will find out if it has what it takes to be the top squad in the conference.

The Gauchos will also find out if they need to bother packing their bags for a trip to the NCAA Tournament later this

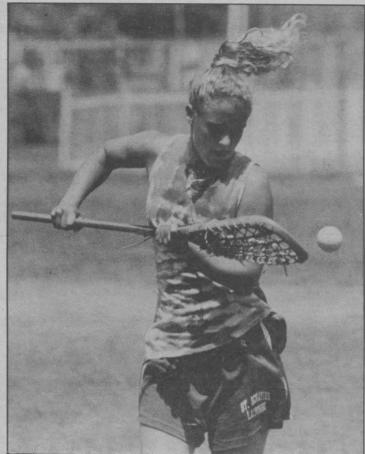
After getting this season off to a disappointing start by UCSB's standards, the Gauchos have

been playing better with each tournament and, according to team member Tom Gocke, feel primed for a good showing in Las Vegas.

"We're gearing ourselves up for the Big West Tournament because if we do well there, it will offer us the best chance to make the NCAA Tournament," Gocke said. "The NCAAs are where we want to be; it's the ultimate goal

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# The Lady's Lacrosse Team Losses in Semis



RICK BESSEY/Daily Nexus

STICK WORK: Defensive wing Karen Wood displayes her stick skill in practice last week preparing for the WWLL Final Four.

By Michael Cadilli Staff Writer

A controversial call in the closing moments of the UCSB women's lacrosse team's semifinal match cost the Gauchos the game and a shot at the title Saturday at the Western Women's Lacrosse League Final Four in San Diego.

With four seconds left and the game tied 10-10, a UC Davis player broke past the Gaucho defense near the eightmeter mark and fell. The referee called a tripping penalty and the Aggies converted the ensuing free shot to put the game away (11-10) and earn a birth in the final against

"We had one defender back who was four meters behind [the Davis player] and the referee thought it was a trip so they received a free position," UCSB Assistant Coach Meghan Mulqueen said. "It was a tough break."

The loss ended the Gauchos chance at the WWLL title but they had to play Sunday for the third place game. Santa Barbara defeated UC San Diego 16-13 in a wide open scoring

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# Women's Basketball Squad Lands Three-Point Shooter

The UCSB women's basketball team, which advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament last season with only one legitimate three-point threat, has landed a highly touted long-range bomber, UCSB Head Coach Mark French announced last week.

Kellie Cook, a Parade All-American coming out of high school and owner of two three-point shot records at Northwestern University, will enroll at UCSB beginning in the fall.

"I'm really excited because she's a great person as well as an impact player," French said in a written statement. "One



Mark French

of the reasons she decided to come here was that she wanted to run and have more freedom. That's her kind of game and we're going to give her the green light."

Citing the Gauchos' "family atmosphere," Cook selected UCSB

over Cal. The 5-9 guard will join a backcourt which loses its leader, Cori Close, who was the only Gaucho to convert on a three-point attempt in the 1992-93 season.

Cook started at North-western midway through her freshman season, but averaged only 4.8 points a game. Last season, she improved to 7.8 ppg, but was uncomfortable in the slow-tempo offense. She averaged 26.3 points, 12.7 rebounds and 5.7 assists per game as a senior in high school, earning her a selection to the Dick Vitale's Basketball Magazine All-American team

-Brian Banks

### LAX

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"Today was the hardest game all year to get up for,"
UCSB Head Coach Peter
Ginnegar said. "We were emotionally drained after
Saturday and I give our team credit for winning today."

The win gave UCSB third place but the squad knows it should have been them playing Stanford in the final instead of UC Davis. The Aggies went on to take the championship from the Cardinal 14-8 giving them the right to play in the Western Regionals next weekend.

In the game against Da-

vis, Santa Barbara came out playing a fast paced aggressive style and jumped out to a 6-3 lead at halftime.

"We wanted this game so badly, and came out playing 150% in the first half," Senior Dee Ozcan said. "But it was hot out there and we weren't used to having that much of a challenge, running the whole hour."

The Gauchos came out in the first minute of the second half with a goal but from there on the Aggies poured on the pressure taking a 10-9 lead into the last few minutes. The Gauchos answered with a goal with two minutes left and overtime seemed evident, until the referee

made the controversial call.

"The call itself didn't cost us the game," Ginnegar said. "But in a game that tight I would ask the referee — do you want to affect the outcome of a game like this?"

Anne Wolfe highlighted UCSB's scoring on Saturday tallying three goals, while Ozcan and Stephanie Hurst both added two goals as well. Karen Wood anchored the defense with seven interceptions and grabbing many ground balls.

UCSB was undefeated in league (8-0) but had to forfeit four games due to a technicality in league rules, making them the fourth seed instead of first.

nightlife prove to be somewhat of a distraction, the competition at the championships will surely not fail to grab the Gauchos' attention. Among other Big West rivals, UCSB can expect to face quality opponents in San Jose State and

-Brian Pillsbury

## GOLF

Continued from p.1A that our team has been playing for."

The team has played a full schedule leading up to the Big West Championships — which run through Tuesday — with

showings at the San Jose State Intercollegiate in Santa Cruz and the Stanford U.S. Intercollegiates over the past two weeks. The Gauchos' most consistent players over that period have been Tom Gocke, David Heinen and David Bartman.

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# NMSU: UCSB Softball Squad Steals Two Wins From Host Roadrunners

Continued from p.1A must-win games for one of the Big West's worst teams, didn't go down without a fight.

With two outs and a runner on base, third baseman Sherry Rector came within inches of hitting her fifth homer of the year. The ball bounced off the top of the fence and ended up as a run-scoring double.

"We were all pretty

nervous when she hit it," UCSB center fielder J.J. Cannon said. "But it ended up being just a double."

Atwood, who came in to had trouble with in recent pitch for the Gauchos in weeks. The three Gaucho the second inning after runs were scored on only starter Margo Melendrez was moved from the Ginny Mike (a double and mound to third base because of a sore arm. Atlast-inning jam and picked punch they needed to win

up her team-leading eighth victory.

UCSB was able to make its hits count in the This scare did not shake opener, a feat they have four hits. First baseman two RBIs) and second baseman Jen Gomez (two wood pitched out of the runs scored) supplied the

the contest.

Gaucho pitcher Kelli Schott (6-9) dominated the Roadrunners in the nightcap. Schott, who has had little run support this season despite her consistent pitching, was dazzling on the mound, shutting NMSU out and giving up just four hits. At the plate, she shredded New Mexico State starter Shellly Owen, knocking in two runs on

two hits.

Other Gaucho sluggers fed off Owen as well, as the team collected 11 hits on the day. Ginny Mike and Annjanette Vitulli also had multi-hit games. Owen, the Roadrunner workhorse, went the distance in both the opener and nightcap, dropping her record to 10-26.

"[The two wins]

boosted our self confidence," Cannon said. "It's good to sweep a team and I think it will make us better for our next three outings."

Santa Barbara now heads into the home strech of its season as the Gauchos next face topranked schools Long Beach State and UNLV at home and Fullerton on the road to end the 1993 campaign.

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After Long Beach scored another run in the ninth, David Goldstein continued his mastery over UCSB hitters in the bottom of the inning, striking out the side in nine straight strikes to earn his sixth save of the year and second in the

"It's frustrating to me because there's two [49er] wins that any of our experienced clubs win," Ferrer said. "I think this team should have taken two out of three if you look at that, but there's not much you can do about it."

In Saturday's game, UCSB found itself up



**DELSI DELIVERY:** Righthander Armando Delsi gave up a grand slam in Sunday's Gaucho loss.

against one of the best pitchers in the country in Daniel Choi, whose record now stands at 13-1.

Choi struggled early giving up single tallies in the first and third innings to give UCSB a 2-0 lead. But he settled down and allowed only two more runs in the game, possibly getting used to the heckling "The Hammerheads, the Gaucho baseball faithfuls (and legendary heck-lers) who were holding their 10th annual reunion.

The Gauchos could not extend their lead and LBSU pounced on the opportunity, tallying three runs in the fourth, two in the sixth, four in the seventh, and three in the ninth for the 12-4 victory.

"We performed pretty well because Santa Barbara has been playing real well of late," LBSU Head Coach Dave Snow said. "Choi did alright. He wasn't real sharp. He battled, but he wasn't real sharp with his stuff and he got a couple big outs, but Santa Barbara did a real good job against him."

UCSB may have had its most frustrating game on Friday. Already with a 1-0 lead, the Gauchos had runners on first and second with one out in the second inning. Matt Bokemeier was at the plate and crushed a line drive to the right side that hit Wynter Phoenix, who was on first base and had no time to react, on the foot, turning what may have been a big inning into nothing.

The play eventually turned out to be more critical than first thought since UCSB went on to score

only one run despite spanking out 12 hits and spoiling Pat Bennett's (2-2) complete game effort. The 49ers got single runs in the third and fourth innings and carried that, along with excellent pitching, to the victory.

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WP:Fontana (7-3) LP:Bennett (2-2)
SV:Goldstein (5).
2B—Janke, Phoenix (UCSB), Rodriguez

LBSU 0 0 0 3 0 2 4 0 3 12 14 2 UCSB 1 0 1 0 0 0 2 0 0 4 6 1

WP:Choi (13-1) LP:Janke (6-3). 2B—Curtis, Leifer (LBSU). 3B—Falsken (LBSU). HR—Curtis 7, Whatley 1 (LBSU), Haar 13

SUNDAY'S GAME.
BSU 2 0 6 0 0 0 0 1 1 10 10 0
JCSB 0 2 1 0 3 1 0 0 0 7 9 3
WP:Colon (1-3) LP:Delsi (4-6) SV:Goldstein (6).
2B—Haar, Janke, Bokemeler (UCSB), Cradle, Rodriguez (LBSU). 3B—Elliot, Muro (UCSB).

HR-Swanson 2, Whatley 2, Falsken 1 (LBSU)



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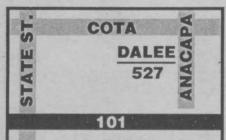
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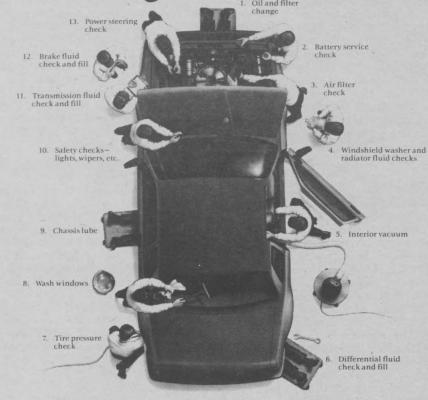
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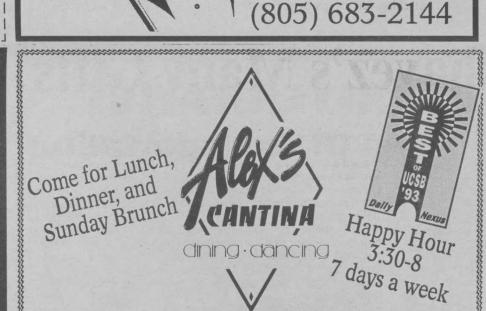
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