Spikers Continue Demolition With Weekend's Thrashings

#4 UCSB Completes Season Sweep of #6 Tigers With Win

By Jenny Kok Staff Writer

Another weekend, another pair of wins for the Gaucho women's volleyball team.

By defeating the University of the Pacific on Friday and the University of Nevada on Saturday, the Gauchos maintained a hold on first place in the Big West and increased their conference record to 11-0 and their overall record to 19-2.

The #4-ranked Gauchos took the match with #6 UOP in four games 4-15, 17-15, 15-4, 15-7. The team continued on Saturday, sweeping the Wolfpack 15-8, 15-5, 15-7.

With the win against UOP came a great sigh of relief for the Gauchos. For the first time ever, the Gauchos beat the Tigers on home turf. With the win against UOP earlier this season, Friday night marked the first Santa Barbara season sweep of the Tigers.

After game one, it Gauchos might have met their match in UOP. The Tigers started out strong, denying the Gauchos any kills. UCSB hurt themselves the most in the first game with passing which could be classified as their worst this

Gaucho hitting was filled with errors while UOP was consistently pounding out kills with a 52% accuracy. Pacific tallied eight straight points to take a 13-3 lead. The game ended with a hitting error by Ana Elisa Franca, which in itself summed up the events that occurred

throughout the game.
"It was crazy," UCSB



Kim Keys

middle blocker Tammy Stiner said. "I think during that first game everyone was too relaxed. We weren't playing as a team seemed as though the and that caused us to make a lot of errors."

Game two became a mental battle as the Gauchos began to snap out of their passing slump. Nina Withrington and Shannan Meixsell came into the game with accurate passing which enabled hitters Franca, Jill Haas, and Heather Collins to get back into the match.

"During the first game, I was not talking like I usually do and I think that brought the team down," Collins explained. "In the second game I snapped out of it and started talking, digging and hitting again. I think that was when the team started to wake up, because individually the performances were getting better."

The momentum of the game shifted back and forth between the Gauchos and the Tigers. Pacific held a 14-13 lead late in the game, threatening to take the match when Franca hammered a kill for a side out. With her overthe-block dink tying the game at 14-14, Franca took control, later finishing it off with a tool to even the match at 1-1.

As quickly as Santa Barbara came back in game two, the Tigers took a 4-1 lead in game three. But it was the only time UOP would see a lead for the rest of the match.

The Gauchos served

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UCSB senior Ana Elisa Franca goes up for a kill in Saturday evening's three-game victory against Nevada. She also tallied 14 kills in Friday's win over #6 UOP.



UCSB goalkeeper Amy Goodwin fends off an overly-aggressive Colorado College player in Sunday's 4-3 win. The team held on to defeat San Diego State, 2-0, in

Soccer Crew Survives Tough Weekend With Key Victories

Playoffs Still Not Out of the Question for Bobak's Team

By Jason Masini Staff Writer

Battered and tired are probably pretty good ways to describe the way the UCSB women's soccer team feels after this weekend's soccer matches, though winning can make those pains go

away rather quickly. The Gauchos (12-5) outlasted Colorado College, 4-3, Sunday after-noon at Harder Stadium in Santa Barbara's most entertaining and actionpacked game of the year. UCSB also won Friday night against San Diego

State, 2-0, in overtime. It was the Gauchos second overtime game in successive nights after Thursday's 3-1 overtime win over Cal State Dominguez

Santa Barbara's Kris Bassler kicked the game-

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SB Swimming, Dive Squads **Edged Out by Talented USC**

By Michael Cadilli Staff Writer

The powerful USC swimming and diving teams, which are ranked in the top five in the country, came to Santa Barbara on Saturday with no intentions of losing. And they didn't.

The UCSB women's squad lost 166-136 in the dual-meet format, while the men's team also fell, 148-136.

Although the scores seemed close, Southern Cal amassed the amount of points needed to win the meet and stopped competing for points but rather for times.

"In my 18 years associated with this program, this was the best initial meet we've ever had," UCSB Head Coach Gregg Wilson said. "But you can't take anything away from USC. They could have ran the points up but they didn't."

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UCSB's Glenn Peoples swam to a fifth-place finish in the 200m butterfly event Saturday against USC. However, the Trojans topped the Gauchos, 148-136, to take the meet.

ly Nexus Scoreboard

Swimming & Diving vs. USC

Women's Swimming USC 166 - UCSB 136

Women's Diving

- 1-meter: 2. Melissa Ulmer, UCSB, 273.67 4. Erin Evans. UCSB, 239.25 6. Katie Deming, UCSB, 203.62 8. my Scoby, UCSB, 167.55

- 3-meter
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 4. Erin Evans, UCSB, 217.20
 6. Katie Deming, UCSB, 213.30
 8. Amy Scoby, 149..62

Men's Swimming USC 148 - UCSB 136

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#1 Florida State, idle

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#10 Auburn, idle

#14 Penn State, idle

Top-25 College Football

Scores

#2 Notre Dame def. USC, 31-13

#3 Ohio State def. Purdue, 45-24

#5 Nebraska def. Missouri, 49-7

#6 Miami def. #23 Syracuse, 49-0

#11 Texas A&M def. Rice, 38-10

Illinois def. #13 Michigan, 24-21

Minnesota def. #15 Wisconsin, 28-21

#17 Oklahoma def. Kansas, 38-23

#20 Louisville def. Navy, 28-0

#19 UCLA def. Oregon State, 20-17

#22 Washington def. Oregon ,21-6

#23 Syracuse lost to #6 Miami, 49-0

#24 Michigan State def. Iowa, 24-10

#16 Colorado tied Kansas State, 16-16

#18 West Virginia def. Pittsburgh, 42-21

#21 Virginia def. #12 North Carolina, 17-10

#25 Washington State lost to Arizona, 9-6

#7 Arizona def. #25 Washington State, 9-6

#21 Virginia def. #12 North Carolina, 17-10

#4 Alabama def. Mississippi, 19-14

Women's Volleyball #4 UCSB def. #6 UOP (Friday night) 4-15, 17-15, 15-4, 15-7

Collins: 15 kills, 20 digs Keys: 13 kills Franca: 14 kills Haas: 11 kills

#4 UCSB def. Nevada (Sat. night) 15-8, 15-5, 15-7

Franca: 14 kills Collins: 12 kills Keys: 11 kills

Women's Soccer

Friday's Game UCSB def. SDSU, 2-0, OT UCSB Goals: (Hunter, Bushman)

UCSB def. Colorado College, 4-3 UCSB Goals: (Bassler, Bushman, Salvador, Gutowski)

Water Polo

Friday's Game at Malibu #8 Pepperdine def. #7 UCSB, 11-7 UCSB: Lavelle, 3 goals Eggert, 2 goals

Sunday's Game at Los Angeles #6 UCLA def. #7 UCSB, 14-12 UCSB: Wierenga, 3 goals Dilaver, 2 goals

Men's Soccer

Friday's Game New Mexico def. UCSB, 3-2 UCSB Goals: (Johnson, Fell)

Sunday's Game at Las Vegas, NV UNLV def. UCSB, 7-2 UCSB Goals: (Glaspey, Huber)

Pro Football Scores

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Cleveland	 28

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It was like a sharp Xacto knife slowly puncturing its way through - slicing up the Gauchos, creating a wound which the UNLV Runnin' Rebels liberally packed with salt.

Last-Second Loss

Disheartens Sqaud

to New Mexico

By Deborah Rafii

The UCSB men's soccer team suffered two difficult losses this weekend, including a 7-2 embarrassment at Las Vegas, and has only one more game to redeem itself and try to heal from the weekend's massacre.

Friday's match against the New Mexico Lobos ended 3-2 after a victory goal in the last second of the game by New Mexico's Jason Hix.

Neither team scored in the first half until UCSB defender Jeff Johnson broke the Gaucho drought in the 54th minute, 59 seconds after New Mexico opened the scoring. The Lobos took a 2-1 lead in the 82nd minute but forward Ryan Fell tied it up minutes later, only to lose with 0:01 in the game.

"The New Mexico game was very, very frustrating for the coaching staff and players," UCSB Assistant Coach Larry Foster said. "We gave the fans a great game. It was close, there was tension and drama but we came out with the short end of the stick.'

The Gauchos travelled to UNLV to play their last game away from home, but the squad was completely ineffective in the 7-2 loss



UCSB's Matt Arya (right) and Reinhold Huber (left) battle against UCLA in a game played last weekend.

on Sunday.

Men's Soccer Team Craps Out in

Vegas; 7-2 Loss Worst of Season

UCSB was unable to score in the first half against the Rebels and it ended 3-0. In the 81st minute, sweeper Mike Glaspey scored Santa Barbara's first goal off a pen-alty kick. Three minutes later, Reinhold Huber headed one in off a Ralph Robertson corner kick.

"Our team effort was not 100% and we missed out on a lot of opportunities that could have put us ahead," Foster said.

"Our lack of precision and finishing had a great deal to do with it," UCSB Head Coach Mark Arya

"Our mental errors cost us. The team had been unable to practice last week because several players have been sick, and we just came out flat again," Foster added. "We just didn't

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#6 UCLA Too Much in the End for UCSB Water Polo Team

By Daniel Solomon Staff Writer

LOS ANGELES — To say that UCLA's Jim Toring was unstoppable in Sunday's overtime periods would be an understatement. The freshman driver scored three of his gamehigh four goals in overtime, leading the #6-ranked Bruin water polo team to victory at home over #7-ranked UCSB, 14-12.

Coupled with Saturday's loss to #8-ranked Pepperdine, 11-7, Santa Barbara dropped to 13-9 overall, 3-3 in MPSF.

"I think we played really well considering yester-day's game," said sophomore Jeff Geary after the loss to the Bruins. "Yesterday we had a letdown. We were just kind of out of it. I think today's game went really well. We just had a

few letdowns on defense, letting Jim Toring score. Little things like letting our hands down and them taking advantage of it is what killed us.

In what was easily the most evenly matched and most exciting game of the season thus far, UCLA jumped out to an early 4-1 lead on a converted penalty shot by senior All-American Chris Keller-man. After UCSB junior co-captain Doug Wierenga, who committed the foul, atoned for his error with a goal 36 seconds later, senior co-captain Matt Flanders connected -first with Wierenga, and then with junior Nikola Ivanovic - on a pair of

nal 44 seconds of the first From that point on the two teams continued to hold each other in check, tying the score at all points

breakaway goals in the fi-



Doug Wierenga

from four to 10. However, with 28 seconds remaining in the game, Toring found Kellerman in the two-meter zone for what appeared to be the gamewinning goal. With just enough time remaining for one offensive setup, the Gauchos made the most of their opportunity as Wierenga passed to senior Marty Asplund who tied the game once again on a couraged if we were losing six-on-five goal with no or if things weren't going

time remaining on the our way. We kept focused

"When we had to score goals, we did," Asplund said. "We got the game into overtime when we were supposed to and we actually tried to make a comeback in overtime."

With UCLA up 13-11 early in the second over-time period, Ivanovic brought UCSB back to within one with a goal from the left wing. Toring answered back on an empty-net goal as Flanders attempted to steal the ball on the right wing. UCSB, looking for the two-point goal, fell short as Wierenga was only able to answer with a one-pointer with 11 seconds remaining.

"I think our concentration was really good today," UCSB Assistant Coach Scott Porter explained. "We weren't discouraged if we were losing and played the game close as a result of that."

"It was a good game. It was one of our better games this season. There was nothing we could have done better except come out with the win," added Porter.

For UCSB, Wierenga scored three times and added three assists, two of which came on two of freshman Baran Dilaver's three goals. Flanders had another solid game in the cage, recording 12 saves.

'Matt's a great player. He's been saving us from a lot of troubles," Geary said. "Baran also had a good game in the six-onfives.

"Doug said he was kind of sick but he definitely pulled it out and played well," Asplund added.

Kellerman tied Toring with four goals as senior goalie Kevin Dillenbeck had nine saves for the

In Saturday's game against the Waves, the Gauchos played catch-up most of the game, and they came within one goal of tying the score with three minutes remaining. However, a lack of concentration let Pepperdine put the game away with three more goals. Sophomores Colum Lavelle and Kevin Eggert scored three and two goals respectively for

"We played pretty sloppy on Saturday and today could have gone either way, and although it's still pretty positive, our chances are getting slim-mer and slimmer for [the NCAA tournament] right now, and that's our biggest goal," Asplund commented.

TIGERS: UOP Drops First-Ever in Santa Barbara

Continued from p.1A 21 consecutive points against the Tigers, taking game three and climbing to a quick 7-0 lead in game four. The last two games belonged to middle blocker Kim Keys and set-ter Chrissy Boehle as the two paired up to set off a series of blocks. Not only did Keys spark some strong defensive plays, but she nailed down a few kills to help the Gauchos take

the match. The rhythm we wanted to have came back to us when we started serving tougher and UOP started passing off position and #32 [Dominique Benton-Bozman] was in the back row," UCSB Head Coach Kathy Gregory explained. "At that point, Kim really took over blocking."

Keys led the blocking with five assists and one solo, and she tallied 13 kills with a 36% accuracy.

Collins came back into the game with 15 kills and led the team with 20 digs. Franca had 14 kills, but the surprise performance of the match came from freshman outside hitter Iill Haas who hammered down 11 kills at .226, grabbed 10 digs and had 2 block assists.

"I've been feeling a lot more comfortable and confident with my playing, especially with the rest of the team helping me out,"
Haas said. "I've really
learned to play with the team, and because of that I feel they have more confidence in me."

"To play poorly, then come from behind against a team with the caliber that Pacific has means more to me than first place in the Big West," Coach Gregory said. "The momentum we had those last two games is the momentum we need to carry us through the rest of playoffs."

The same momentum Gregory spoke of continued through the next evening when the Gauchos outplayed the Nevada Wolfpack.

Complete and total domination describes how UCSB took the match. The only difference this time was that the nonstarters were given their chance to shine along with team leaders Franca, Collins, and Keys.

After quickly taking the lead in the first game, freshman Jennifer Boehle, who had seen very little action to date, came in with some good passing and strong serving to help finish off the game.

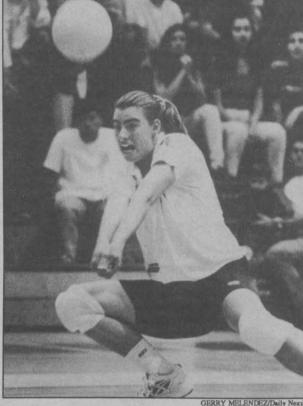
"It was really great to finally get out there and play," Boehle said. "As much as I liked being out on the court, I have to do what's best for the team, Utah State.

the season and into the which means sitting out on the sidelines. I just went in and did my best."

Freshman setter Maile Mortensen took over in games two and three. With the help of strong passing by Beth Kohs, Meixsell and Haas, Mortensen set up the opportunity for strong hitting from the Gaucho offense.

Making a complete turnaround from her performance against UOP, Franca led the Gauchos with 14 kills at 48% accuracy and 11 digs. Collins had 12 kills and 9 digs, and again Keys delivered the blocks with three assists and had 11 kills.

The Gaucho spikers kick off a week on the road when they face Cal Poly San Luis Obispo on Tuesday night, continuing through the weekend with a pair of matches against



Jill Haas of UCSB digs one out against Pacific. The freshman from Sacramento has been an integral part of team's success this year.

ostseason Rests in Gauchos' Hands

Continued from p.1A winning goal on Sunday with a penalty kick in the 80th minute. For Bassler, it was her second goal of the season — both coming on penalty kicks - and both times she has gone to the right side of the net, while the goalkeeper has guessed wrong and gone

The wins put UCSB in a very good position to make the playoffs with two extremely important games remaining on the schedule, one with #2 UC Berkeley on Oct. 31 and another with top-10 Santa Clara on Nov. 6. A win against either could lock up an NCAA tournament berth.

"It's been a very, very tough weekend beginning on Thursday," UCSB Head Coach Tad Bobak said. "We showed a lot of

character, a lot of determination — not putting our heads down when we got down. This was a tremendous display of mental power, of physical power and killing yourselves to get the victory. [The players] proved that the work they've done can be turned into action like it did this weekend.'

The Gauchos found themselves down right out of the chute against the Tigers as Tara Nott scored only 30 seconds into the game on a loose ball up the sideline that was cleared badly by the UCSB defense.

The Gauchos came back to tie the game in the 18th minute as freshman Amy Gutowski scored her sixth goal of the season on a header off a perfect cross pass from Julie Bushman. UCSB's senior goalkstarted her day of astonishing saves, with none more spectacular than her block of a Tiger penalty kick in the 33rd minute. But the result didn't surmuch.

"Actually, I had a penalty kick earlier this season against USD and there was some miscommunication between me and the referee. That's still in my mind, and I thought to myself 'I'm going to get this one' and I watched the ball the whole time," Goodwin said.

Before the first half ended, Colorado College jumped back in the lead with a goal from Jill Jakowich, the first of her two scores on the day. But the Gauchos came back with two consecutive scores to take a 3-2 lead, the first in

eeper Amy Goodwin then the 48th minute from Olivia Salvador, her second of the year.

In Friday night's game against the Aztecs, the game remained scoreless until the overtime session prise the 'keeper that when Amy Hunter kicked a corner kick past the leaping Aztec goalkeeper in the 2nd minute of overtime.

> The Aztecs retaliated with an immediate rush and only a great save by Goodwin by knocking the ball over the crossbar saved UCSB from having the game tied up.

The crushing blow came in the 14th minute of the first overtime when Bushman added to the lead with a goal from 15 yards out on the right side, all but ending the game right there.



UCSB's Julie Bushman on the move Sunday as Kristin Borland (right) looks on. Bushman scored a pair of goals this weekend.

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"USC is in the top five in men and women in the U.S., and they will be winning national championships very soon," Wilson added.

Women

The Gauchos' Wenke Hansen, Erin Patrick, Wendy Zellers and Mere-dith McLain came out blazing, posting a fast time in the 400 medley relay with a 3:56.92.

Zellers blew away the competition in the 100 butterfly with a 58.78 and she took fourth in the 200

Patrick took second in the 200 backstroke with a personal best 2:07.48 and also took third in the 200 freestyle.

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Stacy St. Martin finished first in the 500 freestyle with a 5:04.69 and placed fourth behind Patrick in the 200 freestyle.

Men

A pleasant surprise for the Gauchos was sophomore Joel Gustafson winning the 100 breaststroke in 58:01 and placing third in the 100 freestyle. Gustafson was the only Gaucho to compete in

four events. Despite not having

competed for over a year and a half due to an injury, UCSB senior Glenn Peoples won the 200 breaststroke in 2:04.84 and the 400 individual medley with a 3:59.75.

Diving USC received outstanding diving performances from Maria Romero for the

women and Brian Early for the men, who won the one-meter and threemeter events each.

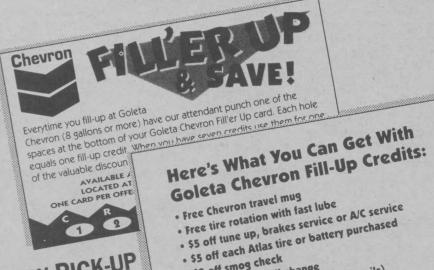
However, UCSB's Ted Moore and Melissa Ulmer were able to take second place, except in the threemeter event where UCSB's Rick Alter took second and Moore placed third.

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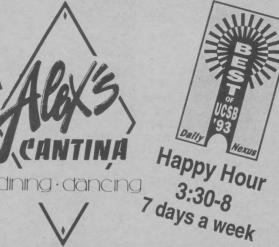


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