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Hariet Runner — Gaucho miler Murray Demo is shown during 1982 track season after a victorious effort.

Harriers Hope to Find Stride

By MEL ROSE
Nexus Sports Writer

The 1983 edition of the UCSB Men's Cross Country team promises to bring back the Gaucho tradition of powerhouse men's distance running.

Under the helm of second year Coach Jim Triplett, UCSB will send to the line a potentially explosive mixture of experience and talent. Joining several key returnees of the 1982 Cross Country team will be four veteran track milers and a group of outstanding freshmen recruits.

In contrast to last year's team, which lacked balance, this year's squad should sport a roughly equally able group of five to seven quality runners, a group that Coach Triplett feels will far surpass the success of the 1982 team.

"We definitely look much better on paper this year," said Coach Triplett, "I can see a large nucleus of runners all vying for the top positions."

Leading the group of returning cross country veterans will be senior Tim Silva, the consistent No. 2 man on last year's squad. Silva, also the Gauchos' top steeplechase runner, has followed a rigorous summer training schedule and must be considered a solid candidate for the No. 1 cross country seat.

Also returning will be sophomore Brad Kearns,

last year's freshman sensation, who although hampered with injuries the first third of the fall cross country season, was still a major contributor to the team. This year, injury free and with Division I cross country experience under his belt, Kearns will again be expected to make a big contribution.

Rounding out the returning favorites is Senior Dave Lawler, who will be hungry to regain his consistent top five form of 1982 following the injury-forced redshirting of the 1983 track season.

The returnees will be joined by four veteran UCSB milers, all of whom are yet unproven at the men's cross country 6-10 kilometer distance. "They are all tough enough to run hard for 10,000 meters and are all fast enough to kick it in with anyone in the PCAA," said Coach Triplett, who understandably feels that the success of his milers will determine the success of the team.

Senior Murray Demo, a 3:50 1500 meters (4:06 mile) runner, heads the bunch of experienced tracksters. "By the end of the school year Demo will have asserted himself as one of the greatest, if not the greatest, Gaucho middle distance runner of all time," boasted Coach Triplett, "and he certainly has the talent to run a quick 10,000 meters."

Right on Demo's heels will be junior David Short, who has a devastating combination of speed and strength as his 3:52 1500 meters (4:08 mile) and 14:47 5000 meters testify. Sophomore Joe Naughton,

Paul Bigelow, a freshman from San Lorenzo, CA, has a definite potential for greatness, considering that his mother is one of the nation's top masters

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Editor Ed Evans

who turned in one of the fastest UCSB freshman 1500 meters times with a 3:54 (4:10 mile), reports the fall with a good summer training base and enough raw talent to be a regular on the cross country top five.

The fourth miler, senior Neal Harris, will toe the cross country line with 3:56 1500 meters (4:12 mile) speed. He rounds out the group that is capable of a sub-4:30 effort on any mile of a cross country course.

Finally, there are several recruits with legitimate shots at making the 1983 Cross Country team (top seven travel).

Heading the prospects will be freshman Henry Varenhorst from Duarte, CA. "Varenhorst is one of the most talented recruits we have had in some time, he is excited about our program, and I can see him as a UCSB star of the future," beamed Coach

distance runners and his older sister is one of the top 10K runners in Northern California.

Pete Herrold, a freshman from La Crescenta, CA, "is shy on experience, but with a little seasoning — we look for good things to happen," Triplett said.

Other potential surprises could come from freshman Eric Hansen of Sausalito, CA and from freshman Roberto Thiede from Cerritos, CA.

The Gaucho top seven will face a talent laden PCAA, headed by pre-season favorite Cal State Long Beach. With ex-UCSB great Gordon Duff, conference

1500 meters runner-up Mike Parker, and rumored recruitment of high school two mile record holder Jeff Nelson, CSLB will be the team to beat.

Also tough will be U.C. Irvine, lead by conference 1500 meters champ Mark (Please turn to p. 7E, col. 1)

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New Coach Likes Things at Home

By MEL ROSE
Nexus Sports Writer

In 1983, for the first time ever, there will be a PCAA Women's Cross Country Championship meet. In addition, the UCSB women's cross country team will be able to boast a home-course advantage.

"Our whole season points toward the Nov. 5 conference meet," said Women's Cross Country Coach Jim Triplett, "and I can't overemphasize the importance of having the meet held at the UCSB lagoon." For the Gauchos at the championship, the lagoon course could prove to be the equalizer they need to attain the league's top position.

"Cross country is ob-

viously not like track where every course is the same. The more familiar you are with a course, the better you'll do — you know what stretches to ease up on and what stretches to really go to work," said Triplett. Triplett, with the men's lagoon course record still in his name, should know as well as anyone about the benefits of familiar UCSB turf.

The course this year is faster than ever. It is the same 5,000 meters distance but it has been widened in parts and altered slightly to avoid some tight turns; both improvements should knock seconds off the runners' times.

The projected leaders of

the cross country charge are the trio of senior Mary Mason and freshmen Melissa Partin and Susan Armentrout.

UCSB's 10,000 meters school record holder Mason will be looked on to lead the team in more ways than one. With Coach Triplett's time split between the women's and men's teams, Mason will be leaned on for team captain duties as well as MVP finishes.

A proven great cross country runner, she will often be asked to take the reins of the team. "Her experience and sheer ability should give her the respect needed to become a leader on this team," Triplett said. "It's up to her to develop her leadership potential."

Also vying for top honors will be Partin from Irvine, CA. "Right now she is injured, but given her high level of athletic maturity and extremely competitive background, I feel that by the conference meet she will have figured into the Gaucho top three," Triplett said.

Partin's hometown friend, long time running mate, and now UCSB roommate, Armentrout is also expected to crack the top three. Armentrout has just come off a very competitive and successful high school campaign and seems to be in shape now to continue where she left off. "Although young, she is an experienced runner and will be a major asset to this team," Triplett said.

The battling top three will be accompanied by a core of returning cross country veterans and a couple more promising recruits. Pressure will be on sophomores Sylvia Gubler and Hellen Lehman to put their experience to work in rounding out the top five.

Veteran Susan Broccoli, who is temporarily injured, is hoped to be back in action by midseason and in full swing by the PCAA Championship meet. Also hoping to fill out the top seven will be homegrown Laura Handy, a freshman from Santa (Please turn to p. 7E, col. 1)

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Football to Make New Start in Gaucholand!

By ED EVANS
Nexus Sports Editor

In case you have not heard the news, or heard it and just did not believe it, let me state once and for all that there will be football at UCSB in the fall of 1983.

Now, if even after I have put this in print you still do not believe me, then let me state further that not only will there be football here at UCSB this year, but Monday (September 19) is the first day of practice for the above mentioned team.

This last fact is especially important for any individuals who think that they would like to play football in a Gaucho uniform. All interested players are asked to report to Rob Gym room 1125 for an orientation meeting and physicals at 9 a.m.

It promises to be interesting season of Gaucho Football with the players, coaches, fans and even the sportswriters not really sure what to expect.

Even with the uncertainty and questions about the team there are certain things that are definite. One of these definites is that football at UCSB will not be any grandiose affair. There is no million dollar budget, no scholarships, no All America candidates and no television coverage of Saturday afternoon games by the major networks.

If Gaucho Football is none of these things then what is it, or rather what will it be you may ask, and rightly so. The 1983 version of the Gaucho Grid Squad will be a club sport team playing a schedule made up of Division III schools, local semi-pro teams, Junior Varsity squads from schools that have big programs and even games against teams composed of military personnel. The team will be coached by two men who were once football players at UCSB and are volunteering their time. In fact everyone involved in bringing football back, and those who will help make the program go, are volunteers.

This may all sound sort of strange to those

of us who have visions of packed stadiums and massive spectacle when we hear the term "College Football", but for the people involved it is just as important, even if it is not "the big time". For football fans on campus it is as close as it gets to Nebraska or UCLA.

At one time UCSB had a "big time" football program and even played in the PCAA against San Jose State and the University of the Pacific, among others. Following the 1971 season the University administration made the decision to discontinue funding the program and football in Harder Stadium was history, except for the high school teams that played there.

Perhaps the reason that football was eliminated before is that UCSB just is not the place for a full blown Division I-A program. Maybe the only kind of football program that this campus can support is on a smaller level, maybe along the lines of the team that is will play this season.

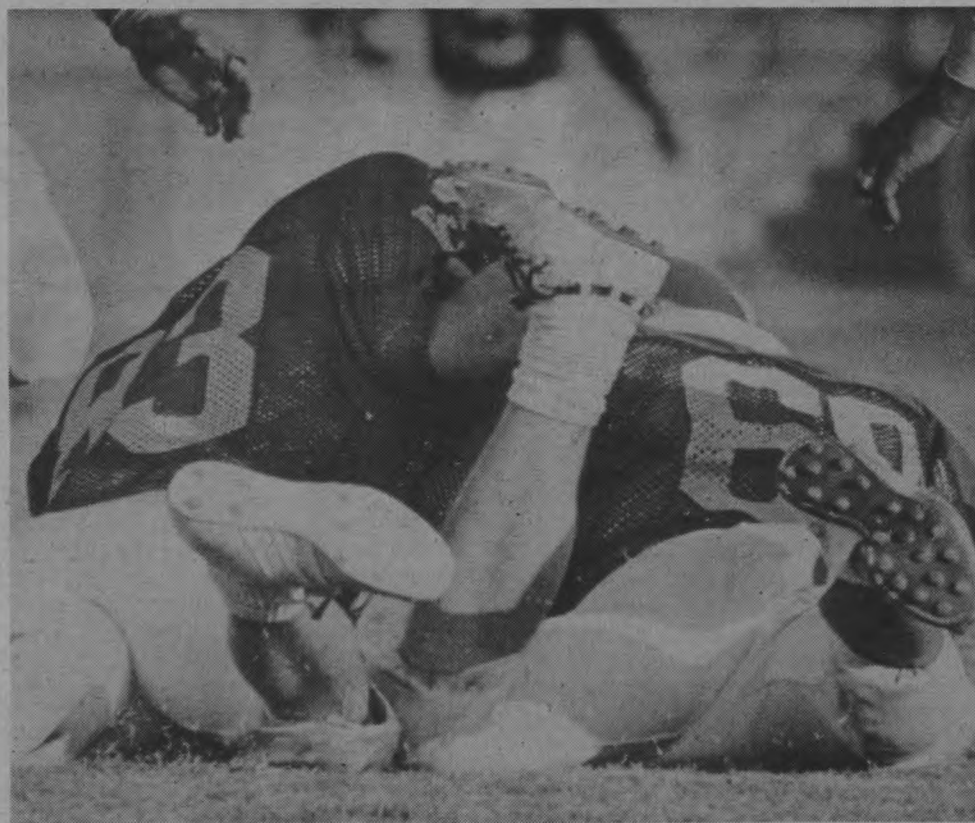
No one really even knows if this football on a smaller level approach will succeed in gaining support from the students and community, or if there will be a team at the end of this season. One thing though is for sure, beginning today football with all of its strange terminology, complex offenses and defenses, and multi-padded gladiators is back at UCSB.

If you are reading this page for the first time and it is past 9 a.m. or even past September 19, do not panic or worry that your budding grid career is over before it ever got started.

If you are interested in playing on the team and missed the meeting, or if you just want more information about the team and how you can help out or get involved, go to the Club Sports Trailer located behind Rob Gym or call at 961-3737 to get the information you need.



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Water Gauchos Looking Tough

By EDEEVANS
Nexus Sports Editor

For Pete Snyder and the Gaucho Water Polo team the word for 1983 is "winner." The word may be used to describe this year's team, their coach, or the water polo tradition here at UCSB.

In 1982 the Gauchos finished second in the Pacific Coast Athletic Association with a record of nine wins and two losses. Both of the conference losses came at the hands of the eventual National Champions from UC-Irvine. Irvine is back, as is the rest of the conference, but the Gauchos just may be the best this season.

At the beginning of the season Snyder felt that he had fifteen players that could go into any match and play up to the level demanded by top-flight competition. His confidence in his team is based upon a number of solid returning players.

The first name that comes up when discussing the talent on the team this year is Larry Mouchwar. Mouchwar was the team's leading scorer last season with 80 goals. His 1982 mark gives him a career total of 179 goals in three years as a Gaucho, which puts him third on the all-time scoring list.

Mouchwar has also had

the honor of being selected as a second team All-American in both '81 and '82. His abilities have earned him the reputation of being one of the best collegiate water polo players in the country.

While Mouchwar will play a big role in determining the fortunes of the Gauchos this season, there are other outstanding athletes on this year's squad. Chris Verga is another outstanding scorer who will see action for the Gauchos this year. Verga was the team's fourth leading scorer last season with 33 goals and 35 assists. His assist mark was the second best on the team.

Richard Tanner is another Gaucho whose presence will help the Gaucho cause this season. Last year Tanner also registered double figures in both scoring and assists, scoring 18 goals and aiding on 25 more. In addition, two athletes who redshirted last season are returning and should make a contribution to the team. David George was a second team All-American pick in 1981, and Tim McCormick scored 26 goals in that same '81 campaign.

While Snyder will have a formidable group of athletes to put in the water at any time he chooses, this does not mean that the Gaucho season necessarily will be



NEXUS/Tom Truong

Tough Possession — The Gaucho water polo team hopes to keep the ball in their own hands throughout the 1983 season.

an easy one. Snyder expects that Cal-State Long Beach and UC-Irvine will be tough competition for the Gauchos in the conference this year. In addition, UCLA and USC should both field powerful teams this year, and both are on the Gauchos' schedule.

Overall Snyder thinks that he has a team that is capable of winning the PCAA championship and possibly making a run at the NCAA crown, a feat that the 1979 Gaucho squad under Snyder managed.

The main reason for this optimistic outlook is that in

Snyder's mind he has a better team this season. He is especially impressed with the speed and strength on this year's team.

If anyone should be able to judge what a good water polo team looks like it is Snyder. In his seven years as the UCSB headman he has never

had a losing season, and has an overall winning percentage in his first six years of .663.

If Snyder is accurate in his assessment of the team, then 1983 could be the year that the Gauchos regain the national championship.

Strong Start for Poloists

BY EDEEVANS
Nexus Sports Editor

The Gaucho water polo team opened its 1983 season with two impressive wins over UC-San Diego and Loyola of Chicago.

The first game for the Gauchos was Sept. 8 as they opened at home against the team from UCSD. The Gauchos used their superior skills and strength to completely dominate their opposition. The final score was 13 to 4, and the Gauchos certainly seemed to show the potential for big things that Coach Pete Snyder talked about before the season.

The first goal of the Gaucho season was scored by Paul Merkle less than two minutes into the first game

against San Diego. The victory gives Coach Snyder a record of 4-3 in season openers for the Gauchos.

After such an outstanding effort in their first game it would be normal to expect some sort of let down in the next contest. This was somewhat the case when the Gauchos met Loyola University of Chicago in their second game on Sept. 11 at the campus pool.

Loyola is considered to be the best of the eastern schools in water polo and they qualified for the NCAA tournament last season. In the tournament last season, Loyola lost to the Gauchos 12-7; it was the very nearly the same score this time as well.

The Gauchos used their superior individual skills to forge a win with a score of 11-7. Coach Snyder was not entirely impressed with the way his charges played against Loyola. He felt that the team could have done more to stop Loyola from getting into their offense, but he was still pleased to win.

Larry Mouchwar has looked like an All-American in the first two games with six goals scored. The six goals leave him just 29 goals out of the UCSB all-time career scoring lead. In addition to Mouchwar's efforts, Chris Verga has put 4 shots in the net thus far, and Dave George has contributed 3 scores.

The victory leave Snyder just 27 wins away from becoming the all-time UCSB leader in coaching wins. This is impressive, but with the stiff competition ahead for the Gauchos it will not be easy for his to get the wins that he needs.

The Gauchos next travel southward to play in the UC-Irvine tournament on Sept. 16, 17 and 18. Here the Gauchos will open the tournament with a match against the team from UC-Davis, something of an enigma for Snyder and the Gauchos, because they have never seen them play before or played against them.

That same evening the Gauchos will play the Fresno State Bulldogs.



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Kickers Look to NCAA

By EDEEVANS
Nexus Sports Editor

For Coach Andy Kuenzli and those involved in Gaucho soccer, 1982 was a year of highs of lows. The highs included a victory over UCLA, a top three ranking among west coast teams and a top twenty ranking nationally. The lows were more frustrating than anything else, including a controversial loss to San Diego State and being snubbed by the NCAA playoff committee.

In 1983 the events of '82 are no longer important, the most important thing now is the new season and a new Gaucho team that may be the best ever. That is saying a lot considering that the Gauchos have a fine tradition of good soccer teams, especially since Kuenzli took over in 1981.

The reasons for all of this optimistic talk are two: a solid nucleus of returning players and a very good group of recruits.

When a coach says that he has a good group of athletes returning it is generally figured that he is referring to a relatively small group. This is not the case for the Gauchos. Coach Kuenzli and the Gauchos have sixteen athletes returning from a squad that posted an impressive 16-2-4 record.

Among the outstanding returnees for the Gauchos is goalkeeper Steve Tipping. Tipping was tough in the goal all year long for the Gauchos, with eight shutouts recorded in thirteen ap-

pearances. If Tipping should go down, the Gauchos have capable backups in John Guthrie and Chris Newcomb.

At fullback the Gauchos have returning All-Far-West performer Chris Wentzien. According to Kuenzli, Wentzien has to have a good year if the Gauchos are to have a good year. He is the stopper on defense for the Gauchos. The coaches feel that they can put him on the opposition's scorer and that he can effectively shut his opponent out of the offense. In addition to Wentzien the team has Dave Zabolski, Dan Lindenman, Hamish Forsythe and Todd Moeller among others at the position.

Returning in the starting midfielder positions are Steve Price and Graham Witherell. It is Witherell who will act as the Gaucho playmaker this season, after missing half of last season with injuries. Jay Moeller (Todd's brother) and Jeffrey Kindseth are also returning midfielders for the Gauchos.

In addition to these returning midfielders the Gauchos have a number of new players including Richard Hilton, Charles Bryant, Andrew Kitts and Mike Zawianski.

The Gauchos will continue to be strong at the forward positions as they were in 1982. Here the Gauchos will be led by Scott Grasinger who was the leading goal scorer in Southern California last season with fourteen goals. John Marciano, Bruce

Gibson and Marty Olsen will join Grasinger, as will newcomers Darik Fernandez and Paul Hovda of Goleta.

There will be one significant change for Gaucho soccer this season. This change involves the conference that the Gauchos compete in.

In the past the Gauchos have played in the Southern California Intercollegiate Soccer Association. This season the SCISA is no more. The old conference has been replaced by the Western Collegiate Soccer Association. Many of the same tough teams remained in the new conference, teams like UCLA and San Diego State for example. As always the competition will be very close several teams fighting for the title, including the Gauchos.

In addition to the WCSA the Gauchos will also compete for the Pacific Coast Athletic Association Conference championship. If this sounds a little confusing, it is. Basically this all means that the Gauchos could conceivably be the champions in two different conferences in



NEXUS/Mitch Vicino

Footlose — Fancy footwork like this by the Gauchos should keep them near the top of the Collegiate soccer scene in 1983.

the same year. This will make for an interesting season for Coach Kuenzli and his team.

With his talented group of scholar-athletes ready to go Kuenzli has made predictions for the Gaucho soccer this season. Kuenzli expects

that the Gauchos will definitely go to the NCAA tournament this year, and has gone on to predict an appearance by the Gauchos in the final game. According to Kuenzli the only thing that can keep the Gauchos out of the finals will be injuries.

Kuenzli has made a reputation for producing good soccer teams and for being able to predict accurately what their seasons will be like. If he is correct, it could be a very exciting year for the Gaucho soccer team and its supporters.

Even Start for Soccer in '83

BY EDEEVANS
Nexus Sports Editor

Things have not gone quite as expected thus far for the Gaucho soccer team in their first two outings of 1983.

The Gauchos began their season with a trip to the Bay area to do battle with the always tough University of San Francisco Dons. USF is one of the traditional powerhouses in intercollegiate soccer on a national level, and they are generally considered to be the best team on the west coast.

With opponents holding credentials like that the Gauchos were not expecting an easy time of things, but they felt that they could at least play at the same level as the Dons.

What the Gauchos found was a San Francisco squad that was described by at least one Gaucho player as awesome, and by Coach Kuenzli as the best soccer team he has seen in the last five or six years competing at the college level in the U.S.

The final result of the Gauchos meeting with the Dons was a 3-0 loss for the UCSB crew. There were two different halves to this contest with the Dons dominating the Gauchos and forcing them out of their normal offensive attack. In the second half the Gauchos began to assert themselves and outshot the Dons 10-2 in the second half, but still could not manage to put one into the San Francisco goal.

Despite the loss the Gauchos still impressed Kuenzli with the hustle that they showed in the second

half of the contest. For Kuenzli this was his second loss in a season opener in the last three years. The loss continues a string of losses against the Dons for the Gauchos. Since the series began in 1976 the Gauchos have no victories and only a tie to show in that time.

The Gauchos second game was against the University of Santa Clara Broncos. In this game the Gauchos rebounded from the loss to USF and won a tight contest 1-0. The Gauchos used strong team defense and good goalkeeping by reserve Mario Morales to overcome an a tough Bronco team.

The lone goal in the contest, and the first by a Gaucho was scored by last year's scoring leader Scott Grasinger. Graham Witherall and Steve Price recorded assists. Kuenzli was pleased with the team's performance against a very physical team. He also had to be pleased with the way the team kept up their hustle after the loss in their opener.

For the Gauchos the next opponent will be the University of the Pacific Tigers, when they come to Harder Stadium tonight at 7:30 for a PCAA contest. This will be the home opener for the Gauchos in 1983. The Gauchos have been very successful against the Tigers in the past, with a record of four wins and no losses in previous games.

The next contest for the Gauchos will be Monday, September 19 when they meet Biola College in Harder Stadium at 7:30 p.m.

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Volleyball Team Hopes For 'Hit' Season

By EDEVANS
Nexus Sports Editor

The 1983 Gauchos women's volleyball team looks like a team quite capable of being a real factor on the national volleyball scene this season.

Coach Kathy Gregory is beginning her ninth year at the helm of the women's volleyball program having compiled a record of 190 wins and 89 losses. This means that Gregory is just 10 wins shy of the 200 win plateau for her coaching career. This year Gregory will have additional coaching help with the presence of former Gauchoplayer Melitta Sverev-Slaught as assistant coach.

The two coaches and the team are working towards the goal of improving upon last season's finish. The 1982 campaign saw the Gauchos finish with a record of 26-16, and a ranking of 17th in the final national poll. In addition, the Gauchos earned a berth in the NCAA tournament where they lost a tough five game decision to San Jose State in the campus Events Center.

It will not be easy for the Gauchos to improve upon their mark of last season, as they play one of their toughest schedules ever. The Gauchos are slated to meet no less than seven "Top Twenty" teams.

Gregory is not worried all that much about the schedule, in fact she feels it is good that the team will

face such high caliber competition. "You have to play the best teams to test yourself," she said. She feels that it would be difficult for the Gauchos to really be a factor nationally without playing the top teams.

A major goal for the Gauchos this season will be to try and move up in the national rankings. Volleyball Monthly in its pre-season poll ranked the Gauchos 15th in the nation, a slight improvement on the teams final ranking last season.

Gregory feels that the ranking is fair, and said that she would prefer to have the team ranked 15th with the opportunity to move up, as opposed to having to play under the pressure of a higher ranking where a single loss could mean a big drop.

The job of the coaches this season will be to blend some talented and experienced returnees with a talented group of new recruits.

The returning players are led by Middle Blocker Cindy Cochrane and Setter Liane Sato, both of whom are All-American candidates.

Cochrane (a junior) is back after a redshirt year, and if she is over the knee problems that have hampered her play in the past she will give the Gauchos a potent force in the middle. In addition to Cochrane, Kathy Luedeke, Mary Allison and Lisa Moore are all veteran players expected to make

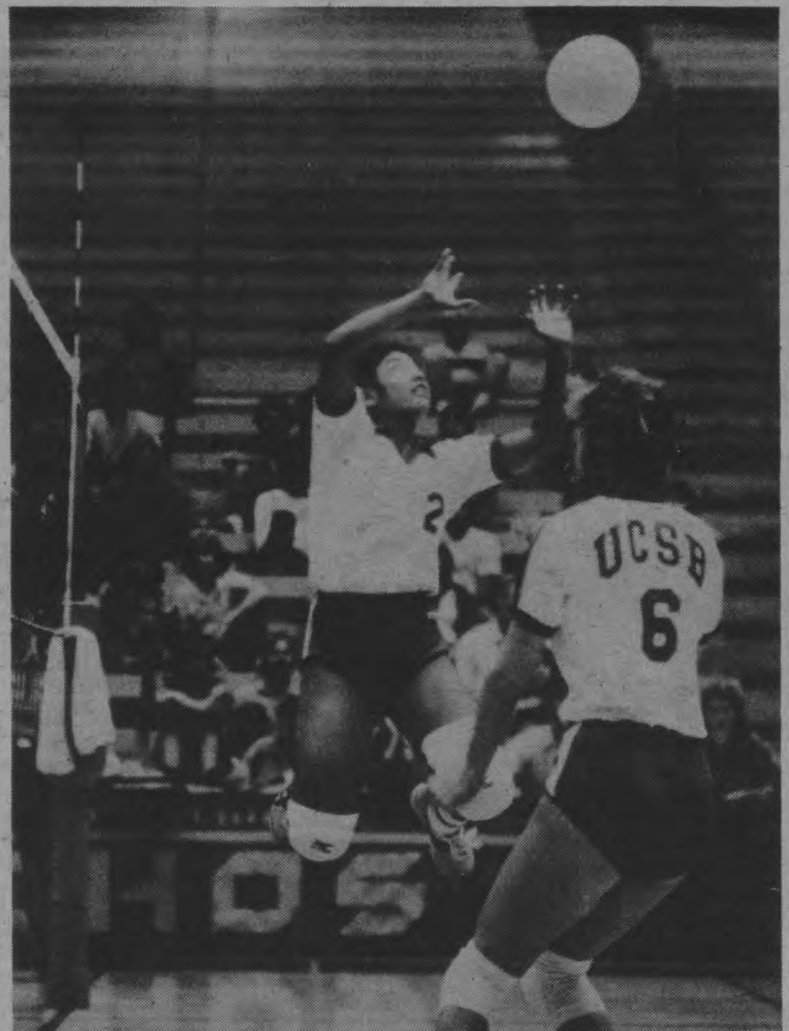
contributions to the Gauchofront line attack.

Sato (a starter as a freshman) is already respected by many as one of the finest setters in the country, and her play will have a lot to do with determining the fortunes of the Gauchos this season.

Along with these experienced returnees there are a number of outstanding newcomers. Among the new players is former Junior College Player-of-the-Year Laurie Adams who will play Outside Hitter as will another newcomer Shari Rodgers, who is described by Gregory as "an exceptional athlete". In addition the Gauchos will have the services of CIF AAA Player-of-the-Year Charlotte Mitchell. Gregory expects all three athletes to play a large part in determining the success of the Gauchos on the court.

Gregory feels that if the returnees play up to the capabilities that they have shown in the past, and if the newcomers play up to their potential then the Gauchos could be a major force in women's volleyball this season.

If the talented athletes on this team come together to form the kind of team that Gregory thinks they can, it could mean a top ten ranking, a return trip to the NCAA tournament and a very successful season for Gauchowomen's volleyball in 1983.



GaUCHO setter Liane Sato is shown in action during the 1982 season.

Volleyers Off to Solid Start in Tourney Play

By EDEVANS
Nexus Sports Editor

The women's volleyball team opened the season on a positive note with a convincing win in the Loyola Tournament, which took place the weekend of September 8-10.

The Gauchos were awesome in the five matches they played in the tournament, not allowing their opposition to win a single game. Coach Kathy Gregory's troops opened with an easy win against the University of Indiana, winning all three games with the identical score of 15-4.

The Gauchos next rolled over Cal-State Fullerton, University of Utah, and the host Loyola team with the closest score in all three matches being 15-10 in the third game against Utah.

Their four victories put the Gauchos in the Championship match against the team from Santa Clara University. The story was the same here as in the other matches, the Gauchos rolled over Santa Clara with scores of 15-5, 15-7 and 15-4 to claim the championship.

Besides the team honors that went with the victory there were individual honors for three of the Gauchos. Cindy Cochrane, Liane Sato and Kathie Luedeke were named to the All-Tournament team, and Cochrane was named the Most Valuable Player for her outstanding play as middle blocker.

Gregory was pleased with the steady play of the team as a whole, citing the setting and middle blocking as two outstanding reasons for the win. She was especially pleased with the play of the three All Tournament players, who she feels will be a key to the Gauchoseason.

The Gauchos did not have much time to savor their victory as they next played in the All-Cal tourney at UCLA on September 12. The All-Cal tournament featured teams

from six of the eight University of California campuses, including nationally ranked squads from UCLA and Cal-Berkeley as well as the Gauchos.

The Gauchos played well through their first four games before losing a tough final to the UCLA Bruins. The scores in the best two-out-of-three final match were 16-14, 16-18 and 15-11. The Gauchos managed to win the second game after losing a close first game.

The UCLA match could be very important to the Gauchos, even though they lost. Going into the match the Gauchos were ranked no higher than 15th in the national polls, with the Bruins ranked as high as 5th. This good showing against one of the nation's best teams should allow the Gauchos to move in the rankings.

In addition to the possibility that the Gauchos could move up in the polls, the victories at the tournament were important for another reason. The four wins in the All-Cal Tournament coupled with the five wins at the Loyola Tournament gives Gauchocoach Kathy Gregory 199 wins and 90 losses for her career at UCSB, just one short of the "magic" 200 win mark.

Gregory will probably gain her 200th win and the Gauchos will probably enhance their national position as a result of their play against Loyola on September 15, and in the Titan Invitational Tournament at Cal-State Fullerton this weekend (September 16-17).

In addition to these matches, the Gauchos will play September 20 against the University of the Pacific in Stockton. All of these matches will help get the Gauchos ready for their home opener against the 1982 National Champion runner-ups, the "Lady Trojans" of USC on September 30 in the Campus Events Center.

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Directors Use Varied Skills

By EDEVANS
Nexus Sports Editor

There is a small office in the Athletic Department that seems to always be full of people like coaches, athletes and sports writers, all of them asking for something from the two individuals inside, this is the office of the UCSB Sports Information Department.

The two people who inhabit this office and handle all of the requests from all of these people are Sharon Latour and Jay Lucas.

It is difficult to describe in any short amount of space exactly what it is that these two people do for the Gaucha Athletic Department. The closest I can come is the cliché term "jack-of-all-trades."

The term may be a cliché but it does accurately describe what it is that they do. Latour and Lucas are responsible for keeping the various media informed on the teams at UCSB. In addition to this they keep the statistics for each team, and write the literature that is sent to other schools (programs, etc.).

It takes a person with a very diverse background educationally and professionally to do this job and do it well. Latour and Lucas both have such backgrounds. Even though both of them do basically the same job, they took very different paths to get to where they are.

Latour, who handles sports information for women's athletics, began with a bachelor's degree in sociology and a coaching minor from UCSB. Her intent was to go into the criminal justice system. Instead she found herself

working on a master's degree here and coaching at Westmont college in Santa Barbara.

After this she traveled to USC where, while working on her doctorate, she came into a position in the USC Sports Information Department. She was the assistant for women's athletics. It was here that the interest in sports information was ignited. Latour has her Ph.D., but the skills she employs daily go far behind basic academic needs.

For Jay Lucas there was always an interest in sports. It was an important part of his life as he grew up. While enrolled at Cal-State Chico he got turned on to sports information by the director there. He majored in communications and graduated with his degree, ready to go work for a university in a sports information department.

He found that there was a lot of competition for the jobs he sought so he waited and paid his dues by volunteering in the Promotions Departments of the California Angels of baseball and the Los Angeles Lakers of basketball.

For Lucas these were not the easiest of times, but he stayed with it, and eventually landed his position as sports information officer of UCSB men's athletics.

Both Latour and Lucas are good at what they do and have the added pleasure of getting paid for something they really enjoy doing. Sometimes they really enjoy all of those people who are constantly in their office: the coaches, the athletes and maybe even the sports writers.



Brief Respite — Gaucha Sports Information Directors Sharon Latour and Jay Lucas have very few quiet moments like this.

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Harriers...

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Ruelas, and Cal State Fresno, featuring the two-time conference steeplechase winner and former Santa Barbara H.S. standout Barasa Thomas.

"We hope to tuck right behind these three schools, and if we run like I feel we are capable, the team will be

flown to the Western Regionals in Eugene, Oregon following the PCAA championships in Fullerton," proposed Coach Triplett.

Triplett added, "The ingredients are here for a fine team, let's just hope the recipe is a winner."

Home...

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Barbara, and Terri Marin, a solid recruit from Redwood High School in Kentfield, CA.

At the PCAA meet, UCSB's major competition should come from U.C. Irvine and Fresno State. UCI has just completed some exceptional recruiting at the junior college level. They are a team of good depth and experience. Fresno State, running behind NCAA 3,000 meters qualifier René Wycroff, should also prove difficult.

The Guachos open up on Sept. 17 at home against Occidental and Westmont in hopes of avenging last year's loss to Occidental. UCSB then spends the next five

weekends on the road taking in four major invitationals: Fresno State Invite, All-Cal, Alan Hancock Invite, and the San Luis Obispo Invite.

With this experience garnered, the Gaucha seven will duel with Fresno State, take a week off, then do battle at the PCAAs. Like the men's team, if the women's team does exceptionally well they will be rewarded with a chance to compete in the Western Regionals in Eugene, Oregon.

On the team's chances of running exceptionally well in the PCAAs, Coach Triplett said, "Our team is young, the competition is good, but the course is ours."

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