



2011 BIG WEST CROSS COUNTRY

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Teams Head To Inland Empire For 2011 Big West Cross Country Championship

The 2011 Big West Cross Country Championship is slated for Saturday, Oct. 29 at the UC Riverside Ag/Ops Course for the fourth consecutive year, seventh time overall. The men's 8K begins at 8:45 a.m. and is followed by the women's 6K at 9:35 a.m. An awards ceremony will begin shortly following the conclusion of the womens race.

Admission to the 2011 Big West Cross Country Championships is \$5 per person over five years old, including Big West students. Event parking for spectators will be in Lot 30, on the northwest corner of Canyon Crest and Martin Luther King. The parking fee is \$5 per car.

UC Davis men, headlined by Jon Peterson's top time of 23:40.2, won the 2010 title and looks to be a top contender once again this year. Peterson is back for his final season and is primed to lead the Aggies to a repeat championship after posting the second fastest time of the season in the conference for the 8K (23:22) on Sept. 24.

Also look for host UC Riverside to make a run for its first-ever Big West Men's Cross Country Championship. Aside from having a slight edge with the event taking place on their home course, the Highlanders recorded three of the top 10 performances in the Big West this year, including Chad Halls peak performance of 23:18.91 at the Bill Delinger Invitational. Hall owns the fastest time in the conference, while teammates Talal Khan and Seth Totten rank seventh and ninth. The Highlander men's program finished second in 2010 and has been in the top four the three years prior.

On the women's side, UC Santa Barbara took home the title with the help of Amanda Moreno, Breanne Strenkowski and Crystal Reed, who finished one-two-three in last year's event. Unfortunately the trio of superstars graduated, leaving the Gauchos a huge void to fill. UC Santa Barbara seems to have a successful recovery from the loss in the offseason as the Gauchos own five of the top 10 performances of the season. Headlining the defending champions is junior Andrea Jacobs with a time of 21:09.8 in the 6K, good enough for fifth in the league. Sarah Vitug, Ashley Beechan, Callie Mulgannon and Ari Selix follow close behind with only Cal Polys Meghan Breadmore interrupting the UC Santa Barbara domination in the lower half of the top ten with a seventh place time.

UC Riverside's Katy Daly holds the top time of the season in the women's 6K with a mark of 20:56.5 at the Riverside Invitational, which was run on the same course as the upcoming Big West Championship. The UCR women's team is looking to win its second conference title as the Highlanders claimed the 2008 championship but finished 5th in 2009 and 4th in 2010.

Keep an eye on Cal Poly to try and make a run for the crown. The Mustangs finished just two points behind UC Santa Barbara in the 2010 championship and hold two of the top 10 performances this year in Leanne Fogg and Meghan Breadmore. The Mustangs last women's title was in 2001 when they claimed their second straight championship.

Looking Ahead To The NCAA West Regional Championship

This year's NCAA West Regional Cross Country Championship takes place in Palo Alto, Calif., on Saturday, Nov. 12 on the campus of Stanford University. The men's 10K gets underway at 10:00 a.m. and is followed by the women's 6 K at 11:15 a.m. Both admission and parking is free of charge to all spectators.

The top two men's and women's teams from the NCAA West Regional automatically advance to the NCAA Championships Nov. 21 in Terre Haute, Ind. Individual and team at-large bids are also awarded following the nine regionals held around the nation on Saturday; those bids will be extended on Sunday.

UCSB Sweeps Final Big West Award

UC Santa Barbara placed the top individual on both the men's and women's side of the Titan Invitational, which allowed the Gauchos to collect the final Big West Cross Country Athlete of the Week honors. Greg Dotson represents the men and Jessica Chadwick holds the women's distinction.

Chadwick finished 10th at the Titan Invitational in Fullerton, Calif., running the 5K course in a time of 17:54.2. The Lake Forest, Calif, native helped the Gauchos to a third-place finish as a team. Running as an individual, Dotson crossed the finish line in the men's 8K in a time of 25:10.5, grabbing the 16th slot.

Big West Athletes Of The Week

MEN				WOMEN			
Date	Athlete	School	Year	Date	Athlete	School	Year
9/6	Heath Reedy	LBSU	So.	9/6	Rosa Del Toro	LBSU	Sr.
9/13	Rex Nelson	UCI	Jr.	9/13	Sarah Sumpter	UCD	Jr.
9/20	Chad Hall	UCR	Sr.	9/20	Katy Daly	UCR	Jr.
9/27	David Cordona	CP	Jr.	9/27	Leanne Fogg	CP	Sr.
10/4	Chad Hall	UCR	Sr.	10/4	Jaasmin Pina	UCR	Jr.
10/11	N/A			10/11	Katie Castro	PAC	Fr.
10/18	Chad Hall	UCR	Sr.	10/18	Rosa Del Toro	LBSU	Sr.
10/25	Greg Dotson	UCSB	So.	10/25	Jessica Chadwick	UCSB	Jr.

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Saturday, October 29

Big West Championship

In The Polls

USTFCCA National Poll

(as of October 18, 2011)

Men		Women	
1. Oklahoma State	356	1. Florida State	358
2. Wisconsin	352	2. Washington	342
3. BYU	329	3. Vanderbilt	315
4. Stanford	319	4. Villanova	314
5. Oklahoma	304	5. Arizona	304
6. Colorado	300	6. Georgetown	302
7. Indiana	280	7. Providence	276
8. Portland	279	8. Stanford	273
9. Princeton	274	9. Syracuse	257
10. Iona	260	10. California	237
11. Texas	231	11. Oregon	218
12. Minnesota	216	12. Texas	213
13. Northern Arizona	201	13. Iowa State	202
14. Providence	190	14. Arkansas	195
15. Arkansas	185	15. Michigan State	186
16. Villanova	173	16. Colorado	185
17. Eastern Kentucky	162	17. Virginia	177
18. Florida State	159	18. West Virginia	173
19. N.C. State	158	19. Michigan	171
20. UCLA	131	20. New Mexico	156
21. Michigan	119	21. N.C. State	116
22. Washington State	110	22. North Carolina	100
23. Oregon	103	23. Notre Dame	86
24. Texas A&M	92	24. Boston College	82
25. Arizona State	71	25. Cornell	60

USTFCC Regional Poll

(October 17, 2011)

Men		Women	
1. Stanford		1. Washington	
2. Portland		2. Arizona	
3. Washington State		3. Stanford	
4. UCLA		4. California	
5. Oregon		5. Oregon	
6. Arizona State		6. San Francisco	
7. Cal Poly		7. UC Davis	
8. California		8. Arizona State	
9. Long Beach State		9. Long Beach State	
10. Washington		10. Portland	
11. UC Santa Barbara		11. Oregon State	
12. Boise State		12. Idaho	
13. Idaho		13. Cal Poly	
14. Gonzaga		14. Boise State	
15. UC Davis		15. UC Santa Barbara	

Big West Conference Cross Country

Last Week In The Big West

2011 Top Ten Individuals

Women's 5K

<u>Name, School</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
1. Rosa Del Toro, LBSU	10/15	17:09.8
2. Sarah Sumpter, UCD	9/10	17:15
3. Leanne Fogg, CP	10/15	17:18.0
4. Meghan Breadmore, CP	10/15	17:18.4
5. Vanessa Hancock, CP	9/3	17:22.1
6. Andrea Jacobs, UCSB	9/3	17:29.5
7. Jaasmin Pina, UCR	10/1	17:30
8. Danielle Moreno, UCSB	9/3	17:31.1
9. Katy Daly, UCI	10/15	17:35.2
10. Nina Moore, LBSU	10/15	17:38.8

Women's 6K

<u>Name, School</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
1. Katy Daly, UCR	9/17	20:56.5
2. Leanne Fogg, CP	9/24	20:57
3. Sarah Sumpter, UCD	9/24	21:01
4. Jasmin Pina, UCR	9/17	21:04.8
5. Andrea Jacobs, UCSB	9/17	21:09.8
6. Sarah Vitug, UCSB	9/17	21:10.0
7. Meghan Breadmore, CP	9/24	21:10
8. Ashley Beechan, UCSB	9/17	21:13.6
9. Callie Mulgannon, UCSB	9/17	21:14.7
10. Ari Selix, UCSB	9/17	21:14.9

Mens 8K

<u>Name, School</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
1. Chad Hall, UCR	10/1	23:18.91
2. Jon Peterson, UCD	9/24	23:22
3. Daniel Gonia, CP	10/15	23:48.6
4. Heath Reedy, LBSU	10/15	23:50.0
5. David Cardona, CP	10/15	23:53.4
6. Blake Ahrold	10/15	24:18.4
7. Talal Khan, UCR	10/1	24:19.9
8. Matt Maldonado, LBSU	10/15	24:10.2
9. Seth Totten, UCR	9/17	24:27.2
10. Michael Johnson, CP	10/15	24:32.3

MEN

LONG BEACH STATE

Titan Invitational (8K) • Finish: 7th out of 8

<u>Top 5 Finishers</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Arturo Trejo	78th	27:00.4
Justin Pinizotto	80th	27:02.0
Jake Dawson	121st	30:28.6
Andrew Garcia	122nd	30:28.7
Gabe Hillbert	123rd	30:28.9

UC IRVINE

Titan Invitational (8K) • Finish: N/A

<u>Top 5 Finishers</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Amir Shirif	22nd	25:23.7
Trevor Smith	51st	26:16.6
Alan Callison	92nd	27:29.3

UC SANTA BARBARA

Titan Invitational (8K) • Finish: N/A

<u>Top 5 Finishers</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Greg Dotson	16th	25:10.5
Rusty Parker	21st	25:23.2
Nate Cox	62nd	26:36.4

WOMEN

LONG BEACH STATE

Titan Invitational (5K) • Finish: 8th out of 10

<u>Top 5 Finishers</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Madison D'Ornellas	28th	18:26.7
Kelsea Tiapon	35th	18:33.4
Andrea Gayton-Jacobs	37th	18:34.3
Alex Kruthers	117th	22:11.3
Cassandra Centrofranchi	127th	23:38.0

UC IRVINE

Titan Invitational (5K) • Finish: 6th out of 10

<u>Top 5 Finishers</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Camille Maron	44th	18:49.8
Samia Sailinuu	48th	19:01.8
Rosa Serna	50th	19:06.9
Carolin Haney	62nd	19:23.2
Emma Archuleta	68th	19:37.5

UC SANTA BARBARA

Titan Invitational (5K) • Finish: 3rd out of 10

<u>Top 5 Finishers</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Jessica Chadwick	10th	17:54.2
Megan Patkovic	15th	18:07.4
Erin Fabris	18th	18:12.7
Cassie Brooker	20th	18:17.5
Cherelle McMillian	104th	20:56.5

2011 Big West Cross Country Composite Schedule

Friday, September 2

UC Riverside at Nevada Twilight Invitational (Reno, Nev.)

Saturday, September 3

Cal Poly at UC Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara, Calif.)

Cal State Fullerton at Fullerton Season Opener (Brea, Calif.)

Cal State Northridge at Fullerton Season Opener (Brea, Calif.)

Long Beach State at Fullerton Season Opener (Brea, Calif.)

Pacific at Battle of the Bay (Belmont, Calif.)

Saturday, September 10

Cal Poly at Asics/Invitational (Irvine, Calif.)

Cal State Northridge at Asics/UCI Invitational (Irvine, Calif.)

Long Beach State at Asics/UCI Invitational (Irvine, Calif.)

UC Irvine at Asics/UCI Invitational (Irvine, Calif.)

Pacific at Humboldt Invite (Eureka, Calif.)

Saturday, September 17

Cal State Fullerton at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

Cal State Northridge at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

Long Beach State at Aztec Invitational (San Diego, Calif.)

UC Riverside at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

UC Santa Barbara at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

Pacific at Mill Cross Country Invite (Oakland, Calif.)

Saturday, September 24

Cal Poly at Griak Invitational (Minneapolis, Minn.)

Cal Poly at Stanford Invitational (Palo Alto, Calif.)

Long Beach State at Roy Griak Invitational (Palo Alto, Calif.)

UC Davis at Stanford Invitational (Palo Alto, Calif.)

UC Irvine at Stanford Invitational (Palo Alto, Calif.)

UC Santa Barbara at Stanford Invitational (Palo Alto, Calif.)

Pacific at Stanford Invitational (Palo Alto, Calif.)

Saturday, October 1

Cal State Fullerton at Bill Dellinger Invitational (Eugene, Ore.)

Cal State Northridge at Pomona-Pitzer Invitational (Claremont, Calif.)

UC Irvine at Bill Dellinger Invitational (Eugene, Ore.)

UC Irvine at Pomona-Pitzer Invitational (Claremont, Calif.)

UC Riverside at Bill Dellinger Invitational (Eugene, Ore.)

Saturday, October 8

Cal State Fullerton at Vanguard Invitational (Costa Mesa, Calif.)

UC Irvine at Triton Classic (San Diego, Calif.)

Pacific at Triton Classic (San Diego, Calif.)

Saturday, October 15

Cal Poly at 2011 VS Athletics/Cal Poly Invite (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)

Cal Poly at Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)

Cal State Fullerton at Northridge Invitational (Northridge, Calif.)

Cal State Northridge at Northridge Invitational (Northridge, Calif.)

Long Beach State at Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)

UC Davis at Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)

UC Davis at Pre-Nationals (Terre Haute, Ind.)

UC Irvine at Northridge Invitational (Northridge, Calif.)

UC Riverside at Bronco Invitational (Santa Clara, Calif.)

UC Santa Barbara at Northridge Invitational (Northridge, Calif.)

UC Santa Barbara at Pre-National Invitational (Terre Haute, Ind.)

Pacific at Bronco Invitational (Sunnyvale, Calif.)

Friday, October 21

Cal State Fullerton at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

Cal State Northridge at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

Long Beach State at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

UC Davis at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

UC Irvine at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

UC Riverside at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

UC Santa Barbara at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

Saturday, October 29

Big West Championship (Riverside, Calif.)

Saturday, November 12

NCAA West Regional Championship (Palo Alto, Calif.)

Monday, November 21

NCAA Championship (Terre Haute, Ind.)