



2017 MPSF Men's Volleyball
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	MPSF						OVERALL						
	W	L	Pct.	Home	Away	Streak	W	L	Pct.	Home	Away	Neutral	Streak
UCLA	4	0	1.000	4-0	0-0	W4	6	1	.857	4-0	1-1	1-0	W4
BYU	2	0	1.000	0-0	2-0	W2	6	1	.857	3-0	3-1	0-0	W5
Stanford	1	0	1.000	0-0	1-0	W1	4	2	.667	0-2	1-0	3-0	W1
Long Beach State	3	1	.750	2-0	1-1	W3	6	1	.857	2-0	1-1	3-0	W3
UC Santa Barbara	3	1	.750	3-1	0-0	W3	6	1	.857	6-1	0-0	0-0	W3
UC Irvine	3	2	.600	1-1	2-1	L1	6	2	.750	3-1	3-1	0-0	L1
Hawaii	1	2	.333	0-0	1-2	W1	6	2	.750	5-0	1-2	0-0	W1
Cal Baptist	1	3	.250	1-1	0-2	L3	2	5	.286	2-3	0-2	0-0	L3
CSUN	1	3	.250	0-2	1-1	L2	6	3	.667	2-2	1-1	3-0	L2
USC	1	3	.250	1-1	0-2	L3	2	5	.286	1-1	1-3	0-1	L3
Pepperdine	0	1	.000	0-1	0-0	L1	2	2	.500	1-1	1-1	0-0	L2
UC San Diego	0	4	.000	0-1	0-3	L4	1	5	.167	0-2	1-3	0-0	W1

MPSF Champion and NCAA Automatic Qualifier determined at conference tournament, April 15-22...

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 25

*Cal Baptist at PEPPERDINE 7:00 pm
*# UCSB at UCLA 7:30 pm

Thursday, January 26

*# USC at STANFORD 7:00 pm
Cal Lutheran at CSUN 7:00 pm

Friday, January 27

Long Beach State vs. St. Francis (at Ohio State) 5:00 pm
*& UC Irvine at BYU 7:00 pm
*Cal Baptist at STANFORD 7:00 pm
*UCLA at UCSB 7:00 pm
Hope International at CSUN 7:00 pm
Grand View at HAWAII 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 28

*USC at PEPPERDINE 2:00 pm
UC Irvine at BYU 7:00 pm
Long Beach State at OHIO STATE 7:00 pm
Hope International at UC SAN DIEGO 7:00 pm

Sunday, January 29

Grand View at HAWAII 5:00 pm
Princeton at UCLA 8:00 pm

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Saturday, January 21

*Hawaii 3, UC IRVINE 1 (25-16, 25-23, 15-25, 25-23)
UC San Diego 3, CONCORDIA 2
(19-25, 25-13, 21-25, 25-21, 15-11)

Friday, January 20

*UCSB 3, Cal Baptist 0 (25-12, 25-22, 25-16)
*LONG BEACH STATE 3, Hawaii 0 (25-19, 25-14, 25-18)
*Stanford 3, PEPPERDINE 1 (29-27, 25-16, 13-25, 26-24)
*# UCLA 3, Usc 1 (25-20, 23-25, 25-20, 25-22)
*Byu 3, CSUN 1 (26-24, 25-15, 22-25, 26-24)
*UC Irvine 3, UC SAN DIEGO 2
(25-22, 25-19, 26-28, 23-25, 17-15)

Thursday, January 19

*Byu 3, CSUN 1 (23-25, 25-20, 25-17, 25-15)

Wednesday, January 18

*UCLA 3, Cal Baptist 0 (25-21, 25-17, 25-22)
*UCSB 3, Usc 2 (25-21, 21-25, 25-18, 19-25, 15-10)
*LONG BEACH ST 3, Hawaii 2 (23-25, 21-25, 25-23, 33-31, 15-10)

SCHEDULE/RESULTS NOTES

*MPSF Match
Pac-12 Networks; & BYU TV
Home Team in CAPS; All Times Local to Site

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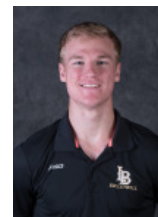
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KYLE ENSING OF LBSU MPSF/MOLTEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Long Beach State sophomore opposite **Kyle Ensing** (Valencia, CA/Valencia HS) turned in a pair of double-figure kill performances as he helped the 49ers hand No. 5 Hawaii its first two losses of the season. In the first win (Jan. 18), Ensing posted a season-high 24 kills (.404) to go along with 10 digs for his first double-double of the year, while adding four blocks. He followed that effort with an errorless 11 kills on night two (Jan. 20), swinging for a .579 hitting clip (11-0-19). He hit .455 on the week (35-5-66) with 12 digs and five total blocks for 37.5 points. This is Ensing's first career MPSF weekly award.



Others Nominated: Tanner Syftestad (UCSD); Michael Wexter (PEP); Jake Arnitz (UCLA); Ben Patch (BYU); Jordan Ewert (STAN); Jacob Delson (UCSB)...

2017 MPSF SINGLE-MATCH HIGHS

Hit % (min. 10 kills) -	Dimitar Kalchev (CSUN)	.929 (13-0-14)	1/4 vs. UC Merced
Kills-	Lucas Yoder (USC)	33 (5 sets)	1/7 vs. Penn St
Aces-	TJ DeFalco (LBSU)	5 (3 sets)	1/20 vs. Hawaii
	Michael Saeta (UCI)	5 (5 sets)	1/11 at UCSB
	Michael Saeta (UCI)	5 (4 sets)	1/3 vs. Fort Wayne
	Matt Klassen (STAN)	5 (4 sets)	1/6 vs. Quincy
Points-	Lucas Yoder (USC)	34.5 (5 sets)	1/7 vs. Penn St
Assists-	Josh Tuaniga (LBSU)	67 (5 sets)	1/18 vs. Hawaii
Total Blocks-	Amir Lugo-Rodriguez (LBSU)	9 (5 sets)	1/18 vs. Hawaii
	Scott Stadick (UCI)	9 (4 sets)	1/3 vs. Fort Wayne
Digs-	Aaron Strange (USC)	17 (4 sets)	1/20 at UCLA
	Dillon Hoffman (UCI)	17 (3 sets)	12/29 at Concordia
Team Hit %-	CSUN	.661 (43-2-62)	1/4 vs. UC Merced
Team Aces-	Stanford	13 (4 sets)	1/6 vs. Quincy
	Hawaii	13 (3 sets)	1/5 vs. Erskine
Team Blocks-	UC San Diego	15.5 (5 sets)	1/3 at Concordia
Team Digs-	Hawaii	62 (4 sets)	1/21 at Concordia
Team Kills-	Long Beach State	75 (5 sets)	1/18 vs. Hawaii
Longest Set-	UC Irvine 38, Concordia 36	Set 1	12/29 at Concordia
Longest Set 5-	UC Irvine 17, UC San Diego 15		1/20 at UCSD

2017 MPSF MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

2017 MPSF/MOLTEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



Jan. 9Dimitar Kalchev, CSUN
 Jan. 16Lucas Yoder, USC
Jan. 23.....Kyle Ensing, Long Beach State
 Jan. 30
 Feb. 6.....
 Feb. 13.....
 Feb. 20.....
 Feb. 27.....
 Mar. 6.....
 Mar. 13.....
 Mar. 20
 Mar. 27.....
 Apr. 3.....
 Apr. 10.....

2017 MPSF CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, April 15 (Quarterfinals)

(Host: Top-Four Seeds)

Match 1- No. 8 seed at No. 1 seed
 Match 2- No. 5 seed at No. 4 seed
 Match 3- No. 6 seed at No. 3 seed
 Match 4- No. 7 seed at No. 2 seed

Thursday, April 20 (Semifinals)

(Host: Top Remaining Seed)

Match 5- Winners Matches 1 and 2
 Match 6- Winners Matches 3 and 4

Saturday, April 22 (Championship)

(Host: Semifinal Site)

Match 7- Semifinal Winners

2017 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP

*Host: Ohio State University
 St. John Arena; Columbus, OH*

Play-In (Date TBA)

No. 3 seed vs. No. 6 seed
 No. 4 seed vs. No. 5 seed

Thursday, May 4 (Semifinals)

No. 1 seed vs. seed 4-5 winner
 No. 2 seed vs. seed 3-6 winner

Saturday, May 6 (Championship)

Semifinal Winners

2017 MPSF PRESEASON COACHES' POLL

Rank	Team (First-Place)	Points
1.	BYU (9)	119
2.	UCLA (3)	111
3.	Long Beach State	103
4.	UC Irvine	79
5.	Pepperdine	73
6.	Hawaii	63
7.	Stanford	61
8.	UCSB	58
9.	CSUN	53
10.	USC	36
11.	Cal Baptist	24
12.	UC San Diego	12

AVCA TOP-15 COACHES' POLL

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Jan. 23

Rank	School (First-Place)	Points	Record	Last
1	Ohio State (24)	360	6-0	1
2	UCLA	336	6-1	2
3	BYU	309	6-1	3
4	Long Beach State	288	6-1	4
5	Hawai'i	257	6-2	5
6	Lewis	221	5-1	8
7	UC Irvine	211	6-2	6
8	Stanford	190	4-2	10
9	Pepperdine	176	2-2	7
10	Loyola-Chicago	138	4-3	9
11	UC Santa Barbara	109	6-1	12
12	George Mason	101	4-2	11
13	Ball State	88	6-1	13
14	Penn State	52	3-3	15
15	CSUN	39	6-3	14
RV	USC	4	2-5	RV

2017 MPSF MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

BEACH HITS MPSF SEASON-HIGHS IN TWO CONFERENCE WINS

LONG BEACH STATE (3-1 MPSF/6-1 Overall) won a two-match home series against Hawaii, 3-2 and 3-0. In the first win, the 49ers stormed back from a two-set hole along with three separate match points in set four en route to handing the Warriors their first loss. Kyle Ensing recorded 24 kills (.404) and 10 digs for a double-double. Josh Tuaniga dished an MPSF season-high 67 assists, guiding another conference season-high 75 team kills. Amir Lugo Rodriguez tied the MPSF season-high nine blocks.....On night two, Ensing was 11-for-19 without an error (.579), while the 49ers hit .534 as a team. TJ DeFalco tied a conference-high five aces. The Beach heads to Ohio State to take on St. Francis and the top-ranked Buckeyes (Jan. 27-28).

UCLA (4-0 MPSF/6-1 Overall) stayed unbeaten in the MPSF with a 3-0 sweep of Cal Baptist (Jan. 18) and 3-1 win over USC (Jan. 20), both played at home. Jake Arnitz recorded a team season-high 20 kills, hitting .450 against the Trojans. Mitch Stahl recorded eight blocks to move into seventh-place in total blocks all-time at UCLA (290). JT Hatch had a 13-kill night with just two errors against the Lancers. The Bruins have a two-match series against UCSB this week, Wednesday (Jan. 25) at home on Pac-12 Networks, followed by a visit to the Thunderdome Friday (Jan. 27).

BYU (2-0 MPSF/6-1 Overall) won two matches at CSUN, both in four sets (Jan. 19-20). BYU fought off three set points in the first set of the second win. Mitchel Worthington collected a career-high 14 digs, while Ben Patch led the Cougars with 24 kills on a .415 clip. Patch had 16 kills and seven digs in the first win, ending up with yet another five-kill average for the week. BYU hosts UC Irvine twice this week (Jan. 27-28). Only the first match will count in the conference standings, which will be televised on BYUtv.

STANFORD (1-0 MPSF/4-2 Overall) won its MPSF opener at Pepperdine in four sets (Jan. 20), behind a career-high 21 kills from Jordan Ewert, while also collecting two aces, two blocks, and seven digs. Paul Bischoff recorded his first career double-double with career-highs of 45 assists and 11 digs, while Evan Enriques picked a season-high 13 digs. The Cardinal hosts USC and Cal Baptist this week (Jan. 26-27), with the first match televised on Pac-12 Networks.

UC SANTA BARBARA (3-1 MPSF/6-1 Overall) completed a 6-1 season-opening homestand with a five-set win over USC and straight-set sweep over Cal Baptist. Jacob Delson had 22 kills, hitting .447, and served four aces against the Trojans. Corey Chavers added 14 kills and seven blocks, followed by Keenan Sanders' 10 kills at .643. Delson and Chavers went on for a 15 and 13-kill match respectively against the Lancers. The Gauchos travel to UCLA Wednesday in their first road match of the year, before hosting the Bruins Friday.

HAWAII (1-2 MPSF/6-2 Overall) dropped a two-match road series at Long Beach State (Jan. 18 & 20), nearly pulling off the first match, led by Rado Parapunov's 23 kills (.298) and five blocks. Patrick Gasman led the team with a .727 attack percentage (9-1-11) in the second match. UH bounced back with a four-set win at UC Irvine (Jan. 21) to complete the road trip, led by Stijn van Tilburg's 19 kills with a .485 clip. The Warriors return home to play a two-match non-conference series with Grand View.

UC IRVINE (3-2 MPSF/6-2 Overall) Tamir Hershko (.357) and Thomas Hodges (.379) each recorded 15 kills in leading a five-set win at UC San Diego (Jan. 20). Andrew Benz hit .529 (11-2-17). The Anteaters erased a 10-5 deficit in the fifth in a 17-15 outcome. Hodges tallied a career-high 21 kills (.444) in the 3-1 loss to Hawaii. UCI travels to BYU for two this week, with the first being played as an MPSF match (Jan. 27).

UC SAN DIEGO (0-4 MPSF/1-5 Overall) picked up its first win with a five-set outcome at Concordia (Jan. 21), as Tanner Syftestad recorded 22 kills (.366), one night after a career-high 23. The Tritons, who tallied an MPSF season-high 15.5 blocks in the win, came back from a first set loss and a 2-1 set deficit. UCSD also fought back from a two-set hole at home against UC Irvine (Jan. 20), winning a pair of deuce sets and ultimately reaching match point, before coming up just short. Syftestad's 23 kills was the most by a Triton since 2013. He hit .395 on the night, while serving three aces. UCSD hosts Hope International Saturday.

USC (1-3 MPSF/2-5 Overall) came up short twice on the road, 3-2 at UCSB and 3-1 at UCLA. Lucas Yoder recorded 17 kills, while Aaron Strange had 14 kills and eight digs in Rob Gym. Yoder went on for 15 kills against the Bruins, while Strange added 11 kills, four blocks, and a conference season-high tying 17 digs. USC stays on the road, traveling to Stanford and Pepperdine this week.

CSUN (1-3 MPSF/6-3 Overall) fell in a pair of hard-fought, four-set home matches against BYU (Jan. 19-20). Arvis Greene had a match-high 17 kills (.275), while Dimitar Kalchev added 13 (.360) in the first match. Greene proceeded for 15 kills, five blocks, and two aces in the second match. The Matadors continue their season-long homestand with Cal Lutheran and Hope International this week (Jan. 26-27).

CAL BAPTIST (1-3 MPSF/2-5 Overall) dropped a pair of MPSF road matches at UCLA (Jan. 18) and UCSB (Jan. 20). Logan Czyzewski hit .462 (7-1-13) in Rob Gym. The Lancers stay on the road this week, traveling to Pepperdine and Stanford.

PEPPERDINE (0-1 MPSF/2-2 Overall) was led by Michael Wexter's 13 kills, five digs, five blocks and two aces in the four-set home loss to Stanford. David Wiczorek added 12 kills. The Waves continue their MPSF homestand against Cal Baptist (Jan. 25) and USC (Jan. 28) this week.