



# NETSCOOP

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## 2007 BRONCO STATS

**Overall:** 19-6 **Home:** 14-2 **Away:** 5-4  
**Conference:** 5-1 **Non-Conference:** 14-5  
**Current Natl. Rank:** #63 **Rank Hi:** #59

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT/TIME
Jan. 20	UC Santa Cruz	W 4-1
Jan. 20	UC Davis	W 4-0
Jan. 28	#25 Boise State	L 2-5
Jan. 30	#18 Cal	L 1-6
Feb. 3	#9 Pepperdine*	L 0-7
Feb. 4	#74 UC Irvine	W 6-1
Feb. 9	#57 Arizona State	L 2-5
Feb. 10	#72 Arizona	W 4-3
Feb. 14	#73 Hawaii	W 4-3
Feb. 16	Gonzaga*	W 6-1
Feb. 17	#75 Oregon	W 5-2
Feb. 19	UC Santa Barbara	W 6-1
Mar. 2	Portland*	W 7-0
Mar. 4	Saint Mary's*	W 5-2
Mar. 7	San Francisco*	W 5-2
Mar. 11	Cal Poly	W 4-1
Mar. 23	Cornell	L 3-4
Mar. 24	Montana State	W 7-0
Mar. 27	BYU	W 6-1
Mar. 31	Harvard	W 4-3
Apr. 4	Stanford	L 3-4
Apr. 5	San Francisco*	W 6-1
Apr. 13	Nevada	W 5-2
Apr. 15	UC San Diego	W 5-2
Apr. 15	Sacramento State	W 4-3
Apr. 20-22	WCC Champs (@ USD)	
May 12-13	NCAA Regional Championships	
May 17-27	NCAA Champs (@ Athens, Ga.)	
June 10	Bronco Pro-Am	2 p.m.

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**Bronco Photos** (clockwise from top left): Harvard clincher Tommy Hicks; Broncos on Senior Day; Jay Wong pumped up; Former coach Tony Ventura with wife Jane; Robert Gallman and his famous bagel with strawberry cream cheese; and, proud senior parents Bob & Patti Rasmussen.

## Solid Energy and Resilient Play Highlight Regular Season...

The season always seems to fly by. What began last January at the SDSU Invite came to a celebratory conclusion on April 15 as two Bronco seniors, **Jan Macek** and **Bobby Rasmussen**, led SCU to a Senior Day doubleheader sweep of #5 UC San Diego (Div II) and #74 Sacramento State.

Overall, the past four months of Bronco tennis have been extremely rewarding and filled with many notable accomplishments. Since the last issue of *Netscoop*, Santa Clara continued its red hot play and won 16 of their final 18 dual matches...the only blemishes being a pair of narrow 4-3 defeats to Cornell and 17-time national champion Stanford. Over a one week period, the Broncos traveled to USF, Saint Mary's and Cal Poly and collected three consecutive victories. This marked the second consecutive season that SCU swept USF and the first time in history that they defeated Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo. Santa Clara faced BYU and Harvard following each team's impressive wins at Stanford...the Cougars and Crimson, however, would not have the same luck on the Mission Campus, as the Broncos delivered each opponent a resounding defeat.

Health was an important factor in keeping the squad fresh and ready to compete throughout a demanding schedule. **Bobby Rasmussen**, **Robert Gallman** and **Kevin McQuaid** suffered a few injuries, however, sophomore **Kenzo Hirakawa-Wong** and freshmen **Steven Benvenuto** and **Joe Galbraith** seized their opportunity and delivered in fine fashion. **Jay Wong** matched former Bronco Francisco Zepponi's record for singles wins in a season (30) and the Broncos earned a first-ever #2 seed in the WCC Championships. With the biggest event on the Bronco horizon, the focus was to keep things rolling from San Diego to the NAAs.



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## Junior Sectionals To Santa Clara...

Northern California's largest junior tournament, the *Boys & Girls 18s Sectional Championships* will be held at SCU this June 18-24. Close to 300 players are expected to compete in the event. Volunteers are definitely needed. If interested, please contact the tennis office for more details.

## Netscoop Facts

**First Issue**.....January 1998  
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**Reporter/Editor**.....George Husack  
**Photography**.....David Gonzales, Don Jedlovec and a variety of team members

**Meet Steven Benvenuto...**



**Year:** Freshman  
**Major:** Business  
**Home:** San Mateo, CA  
**Nickname:** 'Ben-ven'  
**Favorite Food:** Pasta  
**Least Fav:** Mustard  
**Place I frequent on campus:** The Bronco  
**A Favorite film:** The Godfather series

**Pump up song:** "Too Hard" by Mac-Dre  
**Without tennis, I'd be:** Lost

**SCHEDULE CHANGE!**

Bronco Pro-Am Invitational now being held on Sunday, June 10 at 2pm.

**SILVER RACQUET CLUB HONOR ROLL**

Total SRC Support (as of 4/17/07): \$23,741.00

SRC Support (as of last Netscoop): \$18,725.00

SRC Funding Increase: \$5,016.00

**BRONCO GRAND SLAM MEMBERS**

- Chris (1990) & Kathryn Eppright
- John E. Giacomazzi (1952)
- Jim (1983) & Cristin Laccabue
- Michael D. Naumes (1968)
- Pebble Beach Company
- Scott (1982) & Nora Ritchey
- The Speramus Foundation
- Tennis Development
- The Testwuide Family

**BRONCO GRAND PRIX MEMBERS**

- John (1975) & Aida (1977) Galbraith
- David & Anne Hicks (son Tommy, 2009)
- Joseph (1970) & Susan (1976) McCarthy
- Joseph Scalmanini (1967)

**BRONCO CHALLENGER MEMBERS**

- David & Annie Bell (1972)
- Ryan K. Buell (2001)
- Erich Chen (2004)
- Dorothea & Wesley French
- Gerald & Seiko Lu (son David, 1991)
- Albert H. Martin (1949)
- The Schrup Family (John, 1975)
- David & Christine Taylor
- Scott (2000) & Katrina Watters
- Don & Peg Redmon
- Tony Ventura (MBA, 1970)
- Henry T. Yamate (1952)
- Dave P. Zahn (1994)

**BRONCO SATELLITE MEMBERS**

- Gia M. Biagi (1993)
- Theodore Blosser (2006)
- Matt & Jan Fick
- Alan C. Freeland (son Ben, 1995)
- Annie M. Husack
- Edward M. Kelly (1939)
- John & April King
- Joseph M. Lucero
- Brien O'Connell
- Richard Snyder (son Jeff, 1996)
- Jeff Taylor & Vienna Sivilay

**Alumni Reunion Serves Up Plenty Of Excitement...**



Former players and coaches came to campus with family and friends to celebrate the **2nd annual Men's Tennis Alumni Reunion** (Pictured at left: *Erich Chen '04 stands alongside Francisco Zepponi '05, Eric Kochanski '05, Bobby Rasmussen '07, Taylor Bedilion '05 & Adam Lewis '03*). Following a tasty bbq sponsored by **Taylor Bedilion** and **Wachovia Bank**, the group was treated to another thrilling match between Santa Clara and Harvard.

The IVY League powerhouse returned to SCU for the first time since March 2000, when the Broncos pulled off a stunning 4-3 upset of the 27th-ranked Crimson. This season the excitement was much the same. Santa Clara used a quick start in doubles to take an early 1-0 lead as **Jan Macek** and **Kevin McQuaid** led the charge at the no. 1 position with an impressive performance over Ashwin Kumar and Sasha Ermakov (*2006 NCAA doubles participants*).

In singles action, Harvard regrouped and jumped ahead 2-1. In fact, early scores indicated that the Crimson were on their way to victory. **Brian Brogan** and **Jay Wong**, however, had different plans, as they pushed the Broncos back in front 3-2 with two matches left to play. Macek pushed his opponent to a third set on court one, while **Tommy Hicks** trailed 5-1 in a 2nd set tiebreaker. With the crowd cheering on the sophomore from Northeast Portland, Hicks clawed his way back into the match and stole the tiebreak 7-5. In the third and decisive set, Hicks trailed 4-1, 40-love, but once again fought off defeat and clinched the Bronco victory with a spectacular 1-6, 7-6 (5), 6-4 triumph. The team stormed the court and celebrated while Macek gratefully retired from his match with body cramps. A fantastic finish to a celebratory day and another thriller for the record books.

**Bronco Bits...**

The **Bronco Pro-Am Invitational** has been rescheduled for Sunday, June 10...Invitations will be sent out in a week's time...Three Broncos recorded GPAs above a 3.5 during the winter quarter: **Bobby Rasmussen** (3.70), **Robert Gallman** (3.56) and **Jan Macek** (3.42)...March & April Bronco birthdays include **Robert Gallman** (Mar 14), **Erich Chen '04** (Apr 9) & **Federico Mattioli '03** (Apr 15)...**Ryan Livesay** has moved back to the west coast after spending the past year in New York as a hedge fund trader...**Joe McCarthy '70** is a proud grandfather of Matthew McCarthy who was born on March 18 and weighed 7lbs, 14 ounces...**Matt Panuwat '99** currently works for Merrill Lynch in their Healthcare Investment Banking division in San Francisco...'P-Nut' earned his MBA from UCLA last June and he and his wife **Cambria** are proud parents of daughter **Camille**...According to Matt, Camille is showing signs of being a lefty and he said that he can't wait to show her the can opener serve or the ridiculous buggy whip forehand...**Lars Nelson '00** has accepted a Regional Sales Manager position with Pensar Corporation in San Diego...Lars also announced that his wife Ali is expecting a second child due in early September...We'll see you at the Pro-Am in June!

**SILVER RACQUET CLUB**

The **Silver Racquet Club** is the official booster group of Santa Clara University men's tennis. Reestablished in 1998, the SRC directly enhances the program operating budget and supports competition and team travel, recruiting, clothing and equipment, staff salaries and other team related expenses. Annual membership levels (July 1-June 30) and benefits include:

- \_\_\_ BRONCO SATELLITE (\$75-249) Team t-shirt, media guide
- \_\_\_ BRONCO CHALLENGER (\$250-499) Team polo, t-shirt, media guide
- \_\_\_ BRONCO GRAND PRIX (\$500-999) Team sweatshirt, polo, t-shirt, media guide
- \_\_\_ BRONCO GRAND SLAM (\$1,000+) Team jacket, polo, t-shirt, media guide

(Name) (SCU Alumni? If yes, what year?)

(Street Address) (City/State/Zip)

(Phone/Email) (Clothing Size)

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