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SDSU's Warman Headed To NCAA Men's Golf Championships ***Sophomore one of two individual qualifiers from West Regional***

San Diego State sophomore **Mark Warman** (San Clemente, Calif./San Clemente HS), one of two individual qualifiers out of last week's West Regional, is headed to Columbus, Ohio to compete in the 2002 NCAA Men's Golf Championships.

The four-day, 72-hole championship is being held at The Ohio State University Scarlet Course (Par 71, 7236 yards), May 29-June 1. Warman, along with the 30 teams that advanced out of regional play, are scheduled to arrive in Columbus late Saturday night. A welcome dinner is slated for Sunday, with practice rounds taking place on Monday and Tuesday.

The opening round of the championship gets underway on Wednesday at 7 a.m. (EDT). Warman will tee off at approximately 8:48 a.m. (EDT) from the 10th tee. Tuesday's second round also starts at 7 a.m. (EDT). Warman has drawn an afternoon tee time for day two and will hit the links at approximately 1:48 p.m. (EDT) on hole No. 1.

After 36 holes of play, the field will be paired, with the low 15 teams and six individuals not on one of those teams advancing to the third and fourth rounds.

A 2002 all-Mountain West Conference selection, Warman had an outstanding sophomore campaign. One of just three Aztecs to play in all 13 tournaments, he finished in the top-25 nine times, including five top-10 placings and enters the NCAA Championships with a stroke average of 72.6.

Though he has yet to medal this year, Warman has come about as close as possible, carding runner-up finishes at the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate, the USD Invitational and the Mountain West Championship. More recently, the sophomore was in second place through 36 holes at the NCAA West Regional in Albuquerque, N.M. before slipping to an eighth-place finish.

Results from each day's play of the championship will be available by 5 p.m. (PDT). Media and fans will also be able to follow the tournament hole-by-hole as host school Ohio State will be providing live scoring throughout the championship over the Internet at ohiostatebuckeyes.fansonly.com.

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San Diego State Men's Golf

MARK WARMAN

All-Mountain West Selection

6-1 Sophomore

San Clemente, Calif.

(San Clemente High School)

2001-02 Season

■ Quickly

One of the Mountain West Conference's top golfers... Ranked sixth in the MWC with a 72.7 stroke average during the regular season... Selected first-team all-Mountain West by the league's coaches... Earned his first *Golfweek* top-100 ranking during the spring and remained there for much of the season... One of three Aztecs to start all 13 tournaments, playing in San Diego State's No. 2 position for much of the year... Posted eight top-20 finishes on the year, including five top-fives... Credited with counting scores in 33-of-39 rounds on the year for an 85-percent scoring average... Was the Aztecs' top finisher in five tournaments... One of two amateurs, along with teammate John Lieber, to qualify for the 2002 Buick Invitational.

■ 2001-02 Quick Hits

Tournaments: 13

Rounds: 39

Strokes: 2,831

Average: 72.6

Low 18-Hole Total: 68

Low 54-Hole Total: 208

Top-5 Finishes: 4

Top-10 Finishes: 5

Top-20 Finishes: 8

■ Fall

Appeared in all five tournaments, posting a stroke average of 72.5 over 15 rounds... Fall average ranked third on the team and second among players with at least nine competitive rounds... Had eight rounds of par or better, including single-round lows of 68 at both the Mid Pines Intercollegiate and the Aztec Invitational... Posted top-20 finishes in 3-of-5 tournaments, including a fifth at the Mid Pines Intercollegiate to open the season... Shot a career-low 8-under par 208 at Mid Pines, finishing fifth... Also finished below par with a 5-under 211 at the Aztec Invitational, good for 15th place... Took 13th at the Fresno Lexus Classic with a three-round total of 2-over 218.

■ Spring

A young gun who has been strong in SDSU's No. 2 position this spring... Ranked in *Golfweek's* top 100 for much of the spring... In the Aztecs' lineup for all eight tournaments... Averaged 72.7 over 24 rounds, trailing only John Lieber in stroke average... Stroke average also ranked in MWC's top 10... Placed in the top 25 in 6-of-8 tournaments, including a trio of second-place finishes and an eighth at the NCAA West Regional... Posted SDSU's low three-round score on four occasions... Credited with counting scores in 20-of-24 rounds... Carded 11 rounds of par or better... Posted five below-par totals in first seven spring rounds... Finished second at the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate, the USD Invitational and the Mountain West Championships for best placings... Was second through 36 holes at the West Regional before slipping to eighth with an even-par 216... Shot an opening-round 4-under 68 at the USD Invitational for lowest 18-hole total... Best three-round score came at the Pacific Coast, where he shot 2-under 214... Led the Mountain West Championship for the first 36 holes, including an opening-round 68, before finishing second at 1-under 215... Also had top-25 finishes at the John Burns Intercollegiate (18th) and US Intercollegiate (23rd).

2001-02 Scorecard

Tournament	Score	Average	Finish
Mid Pines Intercollegiate	68-70-70—208 (-8)	69.3	5th
Tucker Intercollegiate	76-74-72—222 (+6)	74.0	29th
Fresno Lexus Classic	72-73-73—218 (+2)	72.7	13th
Club Glove Intercollegiate	74-77-77—228 (+12)	76.0	30th
Aztec Invitational	72-68-71—211 (-5)	70.3	15th
Burns Intercollegiate	69-77-71—217 (+1)	72.3	18th
Pacific Coast Intercollegiate	71-70-73—214 (-2)	71.3	2nd
USD Invitational	68-73-78—219 (+3)	73.0	2nd
Oregon Duck Invitational	73-74-76—223 (+7)	74.3	47th
Border Olympics	72-78-72—222 (+6)	74.0	40th
US Intercollegiate	73-72-73—218 (+5)	72.7	23rd
Mountain West Championship	68-72-75—215 (-1)	71.7	2nd
NCAA West Regional	72-70-74—216 (E)	72.0	8th
Average/Best Finish	2,831 Strokes	72.6	2nd

