



# 2011 UC DAVIS MEN'S WATER POLO

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## THIS WEEK

Friday, Nov. 12 - CALIFORNIA, 10 a.m.  
Saturday, Nov. 13 - at Stanford, Noon

## LAST WEEK

Bye weekend.

## NOTES

TO RECAP: UC Davis (20-9, 11-4) took a weekend off from competition for the second time in a month... The Aggies last played in a grueling road trip at UC San Diego (L, 6-10) and Loyola Marymount (L, 5-8) on October 28-29, playing the top two Western Water Polo Association teams roughly 120 miles apart in a span of less than 36 hours... Senior Walter Eggert scored a hat trick with two steals against the Tritons, but the Aggies shot just 1-for-7 on extra-man situations in Friday's loss... On Saturday, junior attacker Colin Hicks shot 3-for-3 and senior Kevin Peat posted 10 saves... However, UC Davis again struggled on its 6-on-5 opportunities, converting just 1 of 7... In contrast, the Aggies completed exactly half of their 38 6-on-5 chances in the Rodeo tournament at Santa Clara on Oct. 22-23.

UP NEXT: UC Davis closes out its final weekend of play before the WWPA tournament, hosting No. 3 California on Saturday morning, then traveling to No. 4 Stanford on Sunday... Saturday's contest against the Golden Bears will serve as Senior Day, honoring Eggert, Peat, Luke Collins, Ryan Hagens and Aaron Salit for their four years of contributions.

**PARKING ADVISORY: Due to the Aggie football game that afternoon, parking in VP Lot 56 (adjacent to Schaal Aquatics Center) will be reserved for TeamAggie members at the "Davis Club" level or higher... Water polo spectators should park in Lots 53 or 57 along West Health Sciences Drive, roughly 500 feet west of Lot 56.**

CALIFORNIA (17-3) escaped with an 8-7 win over UC Santa Barbara on Saturday, with sophomore Collin Smith breaking the tie with a goal at the 3:02 mark... Zach Greenwood and Ivan Rackov each scored two goals for the Golden Bears... Rackov, a senior attacker from Belgrade, leads his team with 57 goals this season... He is one of nine international players on Cal's roster, which has representation from Serbia, Israel, Italy, Australia, New Zealand, Montenegro and China...

STANFORD (16-4) swept a Southern California trip last weekend, beating Long Beach State, 11-3, then UC Irvine, 14-7... Freshman Alex Bowen scored a hat trick to lead the Cardinal in Saturday's win over the 49ers, then Jacob Smith matched that total the following day... Bowen leads Stanford with 46 goals while Smith ranks second with 33... The Cardinal will face Santa Clara on Saturday before hosting UC Davis on Sunday morning.

## HEAD COACH STEVE DOTEN

On the bye weekend: "I wanted the guys to get a little bit rested. It's a long season with a lot of games, and you can't have a playoff intensity all the time. You need some time to rest a little bit. We allowed for midterms. It was one way to be productive, was to let them be students. And during that time, we've had time to analyze what we do well and what we haven't done well, then work to improve those things. So that has been productive -- working on assessing some things. We have the ability to score in every aspect of the game: half-court, counterattacks and 6-on-5s. Now I'd like our defense to pick it up and do a better job."

On the Cal/Stanford weekend: "Sometimes you don't have 100 percent control over your schedule. Is it tough to play these two teams right before conference? Yes. But it's how we started off the season: we want experience playing the best teams in the country. You can always take something away from that. It will be a real hard test right before the conference tournament."

"I think it's a mental thing, taking on the top teams in the country. You have to be mentally prepared to do it. At the conference championship, you have to be mentally sharp. We try to play smarter overall, on our defense and offense. Then on the physical side, they're well-conditioned and super-talented. It will be as physically hard as it will be mentally. Every game is a big, important game, and will help us prepare for the conference tournament."

## NATIONAL COLLEGIATE TOP 20

November 9 • New polls released on Wednesdays

Rank	Team	Last Week	Points
t1.	UCLA	1	97
t1.	USC	2	97
3.	California	3	90
4.	Stanford	4	86
t5.	UC Santa Barbara	5	75
t5.	UC Irvine	6	75
7.	Pacific	8	72
8.	Long Beach State	7	67
9.	Pepperdine	9	62
10.	Loyola Marymount	10	55
11.	UC San Diego	11	50
12.	UC DAVIS	12	44
13.	Concordia	13	40
14.	Santa Clara	14	31
15.	St. Francis	20	28
16.	Navy	16	26
17.	Brown	17	19
18.	Cal Baptist	18	16
19.	Princeton	15	15
20.	Air Force	RV	5

Receiving Votes: Bucknell, CMS 1, Pomona-Pitzer 1.

# 2011 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Aggie Rank	Opp Rank	Result	Leading Scorer(s)	Record/WWPA
Sept. 3	at California (1)	13	2	L, 5-16	Salit (4)	0-1
	vs. Pacific (1)	13	5	L, 7-8	Salit (4)	0-2
Sept. 9	at Fresno Pacific	11	—	W, 13-7	Salit, Richardson, Hicks, Collins, Rogers (2)	1-2
Sept. 10	vs. Whittier* (2)	11	—	W, 15-7	Salit (4)	2-2, 1-0
Sept. 10	at Redlands* (2)	11	—	W, 17-5	Hampton (4)	3-2, 2-0
Sept. 11	at La Verne* (2)	11	—	W, 20-6	Salit (4)	4-2, 3-0
Sept. 11	vs. Pomona-Pitzer* (2)	11	—	W, 10-3	Salit (4)	5-2, 4-0
Sept. 17	vs. Pepperdine (3)	11	†6	L, 10-14	Eggert (4)	5-3
Sept. 17	vs. Vanguard (3)	11	—	W, 14-4	Richardson (4)	6-3
Sept. 18	vs. Concordia (3)	11	13	W, 12-9	Salit (5)	7-3
Sept. 18	vs. Santa Clara (3)	11	16	W, 10-7	Collins (3)	8-3, 5-0
Sept. 23	CAL BAPTIST (4)	9	17	W, 9-6	Salit, Richardson (2)	9-3
Sept. 24	CHAPMAN* (4)	9	—	W, 13-5	Salit (3)	10-3, 6-0
	REDLANDS* (4)	9	—	W, 12-4	Dickey, Collins, Richardson (2)	11-3, 7-0
Sept. 25	OCCIDENTAL* (4)	9	—	W, 19-4	Salit (4)	12-3, 8-0
	LA VERNE* (4)	9	—	W, 18-9	Hampton (5)	13-3, 9-0
	FRESNO PACIFIC (4)	9	—	W, 15-3	Salit (5)	14-3
Oct. 1	vs. UC Irvine	9	6	L, 8-9	Eggert, Rogers (2)	14-4
	vs. Pomona-Pitzer	9	20	W, 9-8	Hagens, Dickey (2)	15-4, 10-0
Oct. 2	vs. Princeton	9	14	W, 11-7	Salit (3)	16-4
	vs. UC San Diego	9	12	L, 10-11	Hampton (4)	16-5, 10-1
Oct. 7	PACIFIC	†10	6	L, 5-10	Hampton, Collins, Hicks, Salit, Rogers (1)	16-6
Oct. 9	SANTA CLARA*	†10	18	L, 6-9	Collins, Salit (2)	16-7, 10-2
Oct. 22	vs. Harvard (6)	†12	—	W, 20-2	Salit, Hicks (4)	17-7
Oct. 22	vs. Bucknell (6)	†12	17	W, 12-11	Rogers, Richardson (3)	18-7
Oct. 23	vs. Air Force* (6)	†12	†18	W, 15-8	Salit, Hampton, Hicks (3)	19-7, 11-2
Oct. 23	vs. Brown (6)	†12	RV	W, 11-2	Salit, Hampton, Collins (2)	20-7
Oct. 28	at UC San Diego*	12	11	L, 6-10	Eggert (3)	20-8, 11-3
Oct. 29	at Loyola Marymount*	12	10	L, 5-8	Hicks (3)	20-9, 11-4

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 12	CALIFORNIA	10 a.m.
Nov. 13	at Stanford	Noon
Nov. 17	at WWPA Championship (7)	All Day
Dec. 3-4	at NCAA Championship (8)	All Day

\* Western Water Polo Association game

### Tournament Key

- (1) Golden Bear Invitational (Berkeley, Calif.)
- (2) Inland Empire Classic (Redlands/La Verne, Calif.)
- (3) NorCal Invitational (Stockton, Calif.)
- (4) AGGIE SHOOTOUT (DAVIS, Calif.)
- (5) SoCal Invitational (Long Beach, Calif.)
- (6) The Rodeo (Santa Clara, Calif.)
- (7) WWPA Championship (La Jolla, Calif.)
- (8) NCAA Championship (Berkeley, Calif.)

## AGGIE STATISTICAL LEADERS

<b>GOALS</b>	<b>SHOT ATTEMPTS</b>	<b>FIELD MINUTES/GAME</b>
Aaron Salit.....68	Aaron Salit.....136	Walter Eggert.....17.8
Chris Richardson.....37	Colin Hicks.....78	Aaron Salit.....17.2
Russell Hampton.....33	Chris Richardson.....68	Colin Hicks.....17.1
<b>ASSISTS</b>	<b>KICKOUTS DRAWN</b>	<b>GOALIE SAVES</b>
Russell Hampton.....33	Hank Dickey.....40	Kevin Peat.....278
Matt Vowell.....25	Aaron Salit.....25	
Walter Eggert.....23	Ryan Hagens.....24	<b>GOALIE MINUTES</b>
		Kevin Peat.....912
<b>POINTS</b>	<b>STEALS</b>	
Aaron Salit.....69	Kevin Peat.....37	
Russell Hampton.....66	Ryan Hagens.....25	
Three with.....49	Colin Hicks.....22	

## 2011 ROSTER

No	Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown	Last School(s)	Major
1	Kevin PEAT***	GK	6-4	190	Sr.	Walnut Creek, Calif.	De La Salle HS '07	International Relations
1	Tony DITO	GK	6-1	180	So.	Sunnyvale, Calif.	Saint Francis HS '09	Animal Science
1	Don GILBERT	GK	6-1	180	So.	Riverside, Calif.	J.W. North HS '09	English
2	Teddy NICHOLSON*	Ctr	6-4	195	Fr.	Davis, Calif.	Davis HS '10	Pre-Managerial Economics
3	Bernie ROGERS*	Atk	6-2	175	So.	Del Mar, Calif.	Cathedral Catholic HS '09	Mechanical Engineering
4	Matt VOWELL**	Ctr-Def	6-2	225	Jr.	Lincoln, Calif.	Jesuit HS '08	Organizational Studies
5	Anders MacCARTHY**	Atk	6-2	175	Jr.	South Pasadena, Calif.	South Pasadena HS '08	Food Science
6	Aaron SALIT***	Ctr	6-5	230	Sr.	Mill Valley, Calif.	Marin Catholic Prep '07	Food Science
7	Chris RICHARDSON	Utl	6-2	195	RFr.	Palos Verdes Estates, Calif.	Palos Verdes HS '10	Exploratory
8	Walter EGGERT***	Atk	6-1	175	Sr.	San Rafael, Calif.	Marin Catholic Prep '07	Communication
9	Luke COLLINS***	Utl	6-2	185	Sr.	El Cajon, Calif.	Valhalla HS '08	History
10	Ryan HAGENS***	Utl	6-2	190	Sr.	Sacramento, Calif.	Jesuit HS '07	Exercise Biology
11	Trevor ALLEN	Atk	6-0	170	RFr.	Davis, Calif.	Davis HS '10	Undeclared
12	Michael MILLSTEIN*	Atk	6-1	195	So.	Alamo, Calif.	Monte Vista HS '09	International Relations
13	Kevin MEISEL**	Utl	6-0	190	Jr.	Atherton, Calif.	Sacred Heart Prep '08	History
14	Russell HAMPTON**	Atk	6-2	180	Jr.	Carlsbad, Calif.	Carlsbad HS '08	International Relations
15	Michael WRIGHT	Ctr-Def	6-3	175	RFr.	Davis, Calif.	Davis HS '10	Computer Science & Engineering
16	Hank DICKEY**	Ctr	6-1	180	Jr.	Davis, Calif.	Davis HS '08	Geology
17	Jared CLAPHAM*	Ctr	6-3	240	Jr.	Morgan Hill, Calif.	Valley Christian HS '08	Communication
18	Matt MANCHENTON	Atk	6-1	165	RFr.	Carlsbad, Calif.	Carlsbad HS '10	Aerospace Engineering
19	Greg NELSEN	Atk	5-11	180	RFr.	San Diego, Calif.	University City HS '10	Undeclared
20	Stuart DOOLEY*	Ctr-Def	6-0	210	So.	Sunnyvale, Calif.	Bellarmino Prep '09	Civil Engineering
21	Colin HICKS**	Atk	6-0	175	Jr.	Irvine, Calif.	University HS '09	Exercise Biology

\* - denotes years played at UC Davis

Steve DOTEN  
Tom KURTH  
Matt SORGENFREI  
Erik QUINN

Head Coach, 11th Year (California '90)  
Assistant Coach, 5th Year (California '05)  
Volunteer Assistant, 2nd Year (Cal Poly)  
Undergraduate Assistant, 1st Year (UC Davis '12)

### PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Tony DITO: "DEE-toh"  
Ryan HAGENS: "HAH-ghens"  
Kevin MEISEL: "mie-ZELL"  
Michael MILLSTEIN: "MILL-steen"  
Aaron SALIT: similar to "salad"  
Matt SORGENFREI: "sor-GHEN-fry" (hard 'g')

## COACHING STAFF



### STEVE DOTEN

Head Coach  
11th Year  
California '90

Steve Doten enters his 11th season at the helm of the UC Davis men's water polo program. He enjoyed his best season to date in 2007, when his team won a school-record 22 games, went undefeated against members of the Western Water Polo Association, then advanced to the title game of the conference tournament. For his part, Doten was selected as WWPA Coach of the Year.

During that season, UC Davis climbed as high as No. 8 in the national poll, finishing at No. 11. The previous year, the Aggies ascended to No. 6 in the collegiate rankings -- the highest in Doten's career. The team posted six wins over top-10 programs during that season.

On October 5, 2007, UC Davis defeated 15th-ranked Pacific by a final of 8-4, marking Doten's 100th career victory. He enters the upcoming season with a career mark of 123-112 overall, including a 76-33 conference ledger.

In 2010, Doten returned UC Davis to the WWPA title game. The Aggies, seeded second due to a 13-1 conference record, fell to top-seeded Loyola Marymount in a 9-6 championship battle.

During recent seasons, his student-athletes have enjoyed a parade of accolades. In 2007, David Welch, Nick Arrigo and Mike McGee each earned ACWPC All-America honorable mention and claimed spots on the All-WWPA squad. McGee and Arrigo added third-team All-America honors in 2008, and current Aggie Aaron Salit claimed honorable mention in 2010.

Doten's teams also have enjoyed tremendous success in the classroom. Since 2006-07, his team has twice won the department's Lysle E. Leach Award for sporting the highest overall team GPA. Furthermore, the NCAA has bestowed upon UC Davis men's water polo a public recognition award for academic progress rate on three occasions.

Other key seasons in Doten's UC Davis career include the 2002 campaign, in which the Aggies tied the school record with 19 wins. That team also posted 15 wins in the WWPA, the highest mark since

1990. In 2001, his first season at UC Davis, Doten was named the NCAA Division II Coach of the Year. He also guided two players, Travis Engelman and Tim Rogers, to first-team All-American status.

In addition to his duties at UC Davis, Doten started the Davis Water Polo Club men's open team in the summer of 2001, for which he serves as head coach. In 2003, both his junior and senior teams qualified for the USA Water Polo National Championships for the first time. In 2005, Doten brought the national tournament to Schaal Aquatics Center, where his 20-and-under team won the bronze medal. In 2008, Doten's senior national team placed eighth, its highest-ever finish.

In 2004 and 2007, Doten was selected as Elite Coach of the Year for the Central California Zone by the USAWP Coaches Committee. Additionally, Doten served as president of the WWPA from 2003 to 2006.

Prior to UC Davis, Doten was an assistant coach with the Cal women's water polo team from 1995-99. During this time, the Golden Bears finished second at the Collegiate Water Polo National Championships in 1996, 1997 and 1998. Doten also served as a coach for the Golden Bear Water Polo Club team. He helped lead the team to two USWP national championships in 1998 and 1999.

As a player, Doten spent three seasons (1986-88) under legendary coaches Pete Cutino and Steve Heaston, helping Cal to a 91-14 record during that time and NCAA championships in 1987 and 1988. The Golden Bears were national runners-up in 1986. Doten, who graduated from UC Berkeley in 1990 with a degree in sports sociology, earned his master's in kinesiology and physical education in 1994 and completed course work for his Ph.D. in education in 2000.

He and his wife, Lisa, have three children - daughters Kendall and Brooke, and son Trey. The family resides in Davis. All three children play for the Davis Water Polo Club.



### DOTEN YEAR-BY-YEAR

Year	WWPA Record	WWPA Tourney	Overall Record	Nat'l Rank
2010	13-1	2nd	18-10	12th
2009	8-7	3rd	15-16	11th
2008	8-4	3rd	13-15	11th
2007	14-0	2nd	22-7	11th
2006	10-5	3rd	15-15	T11th
2005	10-5	4th	16-15	T13th
2004	12-5	4th	17-16	13th
2003	10-5	4th	14-16	19th
2002	15-5	5th	19-12	—
2001	4-8	5th	7-16	—
<b>Totals</b>	<b>104-45</b>	<b>(.398)</b>	<b>156-138</b>	<b>(.531)</b>