

2003 Results

November 30, 2003

UCSB DEFEATS UC IRVINE 9-8 IN OVERTIME AT MPSF TOURNAMENT

LONG BEACH, Calif. --- Senior Doug Arthur scored with 27 seconds left in overtime to lift UC Santa Barbara to a 9-8 win over UC Irvine in the seventh-place game of the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Tournament at Belmont Plaza Sunday. It was the Gauchos' first win over the Anteaters in four attempts this season.

UCI junior Rick Merlo gave the Anteaters a 7-6 lead on a goal with 6:28 remaining in the fourth quarter, but UCSB's Joe Ferguson sent the game into overtime on a goal with 29 seconds left in regulation. Arthur scored with 2:28 left in the first three-minute overtime session to give UCSB an 8-7 lead. UCI senior Phil Garcia's goal with 42 seconds left in the second three-minute extra period tied the game at 8-8 before Arthur's game-winning goal.

Arthur led UCSB (14-17) with three goals while Ferguson and Brian Alexander added two each. Rick Wright had 13 saves in goal for the Gauchos.

Merlo led the Anteaters (12-17) with three goals and Garcia scored twice. Sophomore goalie Joe Wynne had five saves for UCI.

Junior Dan Noon led UCI this season with 67 goals, Garcia scored 62 and Rick Merlo 47. Anteater head coach Ted Newland was denied his 700th win this year as he is 698-331-5 in 38 seasons, all at UCI.

	1	2	3	4	OT	OT	FINAL
UC Santa Barbara	2	3	1	1	1	1	- 9
UC Irvine	2	2	2	1	0	1	- 8

UCSB: Doug Arthur 3, Brian Alexander 2, Joe Ferguson 2, Steve Traverso, Matt Dale.
UCI: Rick Merlo 3, Phil Garcia 2, Dan Noon, Mark Masterson, Tim Hutten.
Saves: Rick Wright (UCSB) 13; Joe Wynne (UCI) 5.

November 29, 2003

PEPPERDINE EDGES UC IRVINE 11-10 ON LAST-SECOND GOAL

LONG BEACH, Calif. --- Junior Morgan Matthies scored the game-winning goal with one second left to give Pepperdine an 11-10 victory over UC Irvine in a consolation semifinal of the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Men's Water Polo Tournament at Belmont Plaza Saturday.

UCI sophomore Chris Peters had tied the game on a goal with 11 seconds remaining. The contest was tied 4-4 at halftime and 7-7 after three quarters. This was the third meeting of the season between the teams with Pepperdine winning two of the matchups.

Senior Phil Garcia led the seventh-seeded Anteaters (12-16) with three extra-man goals while juniors Dan Noon and Rick Merlo added two goals each. Sophomore goalie Joe Wynne had nine saves for UCI, which faces UC Santa Barbara in the seventh-place game at 12:00 p.m. Sunday.

Matthies, Josh Acosta and Jesse Smith led the sixth-seeded Waves (18-8) with three goals each. Ben Tait had six saves and Michael Lee four as Pepperdine meets Long Beach State in the fifth-place game at 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

UC Irvine	2	2	3	3	--	10
Pepperdine	1	3	3	4	--	11

UCI: Phil Garcia 3, Dan Noon 2, Rick Merlo 2, Nate White, Chris Peters, Tim Hutten.

Pep: Morgan Matthies 3, Josh Acosta 3, Jesse Smith 3, Scott Harvey, Michael Hausmann.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 9; Ben Tait (P) 6, Michael Lee (P) 4.

November 28, 2003

STANFORD TOPS UC IRVINE 9-5 AT MPSF TOURNAMENT

LONG BEACH, Calif. --- Junior Tony Azevedo scored four goals to lead second-seeded Stanford past No. 7 UC Irvine, 9-5, in the first round of the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Men's Water Polo Tournament at Belmont Plaza Friday night.

The Cardinal led 2-0 after one quarter on a pair of Azevedo goals and built a 4-1 lead on an extra-man goal by Greg Crum with 3:00 left in the second period. UCI senior Phil Garcia scored the first of his two goals on a power-play situation with 2:30 left before halftime and junior Rick Merlo scored with 27 seconds remaining to pull the Anteaters within 4-3 at halftime.

Stanford opened the third quarter with consecutive goals by Peter Varellas, Sam Tyre and Tyler Drake to build a 7-3 margin before UCI closed to within 7-5 on goals by Garcia and junior Dan Noon. Stanford received a pair of unanswered goals in the fourth quarter by Thomas Hopkins and Azevedo to provide the final score.

Sophomore goalie Chad Taylor had 16 saves for the Cardinal, which has won 12 straight games en route to a 20-3 record. Sophomore Joe Wynne had eight stops for the Anteaters (12-15).

UCI faces Pepperdine in a consolation semifinal at 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

UC Irvine	0	3	2	0	--	5
Stanford	2	2	3	2	--	9

UCI: Phil Garcia 2, Dan Noon 2, Rick Merlo.

Stan: Tony Azevedo 4, Peter Varellas, Tyler Drake, Thomas Hopkins, Greg Crum, Sam Tyre.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 8; Chad Taylor (Stan) 16.

November 15, 2003

UC IRVINE FALLS TO NO. 2 STANFORD

IRVINE, Calif. --- Stanford's Peter Varellas, Tony Azevedo and Thomas Hopkins each scored three goals to lead the Cardinal to a 12-6 win over UC Irvine in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation action Saturday at the Anteater Aquatics Complex.

Stanford took a 4-2 lead into the intermission, highlighted by two goals by Azevedo. The Anteaters cut the lead to one on a goal by driver Phil Garcia in the third, but Stanford answered back with five straight before UCI would record another goal (9-4). Varellas' third goal would give the Cardinal a 10-5 lead into the fourth.

UCI drivers Tim Hutten and Nate White came up with consecutive goals in the fourth quarter, but Stanford's Tyler Drake capped the scoring with 57 seconds remaining as the Cardinal improved to 17-3 overall (6-1 MPSF).

Two-meter man Dan Noon led UCI with three goals while Garcia scored twice on power plays.

UCI goalie Joe Wynne recorded eight saves as the Anteaters fell to 12-14 overall and 3-5 in conference action. Stanford's Chad Taylor had two saves in the win.

Next Saturday's (Nov. 22) non-conference home game against UC Santa Barbara has been cancelled. The Anteaters will next compete in the MPSF Tournament Nov. 28-30 at Belmont Plaza.

Stanford	2	2	6	2	--	12
UC Irvine	1	1	3	2	--	7

Stanford: Peter Varellas, Tony Azevedo, Thomas Hopkins 3, Tyler Drake, Greg Crum, Mike Derse

UCI: Dan Noon 3, Phil Garcia 2, Nate White

Saves: Chad Taylor (Stanford) 2; Joe Wynne (UCI) 8

November 14, 2003

UC IRVINE EDGES UC SAN DIEGO, 8-7

IRVINE, Calif. --- Junior two-meter man Dan Noon powered home the game-winning goal with five seconds remaining in the game and sophomore goalie Joe Wynne recorded a season-high 13 saves as No. 7 UC Irvine defeated 6th-ranked UC San Diego 8-7 in non-conference men's water polo at the Anteater Aquatics Complex Friday.

UC Irvine (12-13) held a two-goal lead early in the second quarter, but UCSD rallied to tie the game on goals by utility Jonathan Hopkins and driver Brandon Borso to enter the intermission with a 3-3 tie. The teams traded goals in the third quarter and UCSD took the early fourth-quarter lead (5-6) on driver Clark Petersen's power-play goal.

Senior Phil Garcia's extra-man goal knotted the game at 6-6 and the Tritons retaliated behind utility Matt Ellis' goal to take the 6-7 edge with 3:48 remaining. UCI freshman driver Tim Hutten tied the game with 38-seconds remaining before Noon delivered the game-winner.

Noon and sophomore driver Nate White each had two goals apiece to lead the team while Hopkins and Borso led UCSD (17-9) with two goals each. Triton goalie Colin McElroy had 10 saves in the loss.

The Anteaters end the regular season Saturday against No. 2 Stanford in a Mountain Pacific Sports Federation game at noon. Next Saturday's (Nov. 22) non-conference home game against UC Santa Barbara has been cancelled.

UC San Diego 1 2 2 2 -- 7
UC Irvine 3 0 2 3 -- 8

UCSD: Jonathan Hopkins 2, Brandon Borso 2, Nate Cooper, Clark Peterson, Matt Ellis

UCI: Dan Noon 2, Nate White 2, Phil Garcia, Rick Merlo, Tim Hutten

Saves: Colin McElroy (UCSD) 10; Joe Wynne (UCI) 13.

November 9, 2003

UC IRVINE UPSETS PEPPERDINE 8-7

IRVINE, Calif. --- Sophomore Nate White scored the eventual game-winning goal to lead No. 8 UC Irvine to an 8-7, upset win over fifth-ranked Pepperdine in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation men's water polo at the Anteater Aquatics Complex Sunday.

White's goal with 1:48 left in the fourth quarter gave the Anteaters an 8-6 lead. Pepperdine senior Michael Hausmann scored with 1:33 remaining to cut the margin to one and UCI had to weather a man-down situation with less than a minute remaining to secure the victory. UCI junior Dan Noon scored with one second left in the first half to tie the game 4-4 at intermission.

Consecutive goals by White and senior Phil Garcia put the Anteaters up 6-4 in the third quarter before Hausmann scored a power-play goal with three seconds left to pull the Waves within 6-5 entering the final quarter. Noon and Pepperdine junior Jordan Keitel traded goals to open the fourth quarter before White's score gave UCI its two-goal cushion.

Garcia led UCI (11-13, 3-4 MPSF) with three goals while White and Noon added two each. Sophomore goalie Joe Wynne had seven saves. Hausmann and junior Morgan Matthies led Pepperdine (15-6, 4-4) with two goals each. Junior goalie Ben Tait recorded three saves.

The Anteaters continue their homestand with a non-conference game against No. 6 UC San Diego Friday night at 7:00 and third-ranked Stanford Saturday in a MPSF game at noon.

Pepperdine 2 2 1 2 -- 7
UC Irvine 1 3 2 2 -- 8

Pep: Morgan Matthies 2, Michael Hausmann 2, Josh Acosta, Jordan Keitel, Doug Mann.

UCI: Phil Garcia 3, Nate White 2, Dan Noon 2, Tim Hutten.

Saves: Ben Tait (Pep) 3; Joe Wynne (UCI) 7.

November 8, 2003

UCLA TOPS UC IRVINE 10-7 IN MPSF ACTION

IRVINE, Calif. --- Junior Brett Ormsby scored five goals to lead No. 4 UCLA past eighth-ranked UC Irvine, 10-7, in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation men's water polo at the Anteater Aquatics Complex Saturday.

Junior Josh Hewko and freshman Chris Pulido added two goals each as the Bruins improved to 16-5 overall and 5-1 in the MPSF. UCLA has won 10 of its last 11 games, including four straight.

The Bruins built a 7-3 halftime lead on the strength of two first-half goals each from Pulido, Ormsby and Hewko. UCLA led 9-5 after three periods before UCI staged a brief rally with back-to-back, power-play goals in the fourth quarter by junior Cameron Bassett (6:22) and freshman Tim Hutten (4:26) to cut the margin to 9-7. Ormsby closed out the scoring with an extra-man goal with 52 seconds remaining.

Junior goalie Joe Axelrad had nine saves for UCLA while sophomore Joe Wynne had six stops for the Anteaters (10-13, 2-4). Hutten led UCI with two goals.

The Anteaters host No. 5 Pepperdine Sunday at noon.

UCLA	4	3	2	1	--	10
UC Irvine	2	1	2	2	--	7

UCLA: Brett Ormsby 5, Chris Pulido 2, Josh Hewko 2, John Blanchette.

UCI: Tim Hutten 2, Phil Garcia, Nate White, Dan Noon, Rick Merlo, Cameron Bassett.

Saves: Joe Axelrad (UCLA) 9; Joe Wynne (UCI) 6.

November 2, 2003

TOP-RANKED USC DEFEATS UC IRVINE 15-8

LOS ANGELES --- Freshman Trevor Clark scored four goals to lead No. 1 USC past eighth-ranked UC Irvine, 15-8, in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation water polo at McDonald's Swim Stadium in Los Angeles Sunday.

James Shin, Juraj Zatovic and Predrag Damjanov added a pair of goals each as the Trojans improved to 16-3 overall and 6-1 in the MPSF. Don Ricci had 12 saves in goal for USC, which led 7-3 at halftime and 13-5 after three quarters.

Senior Phil Garcia and junior Rick Merlo scored three goals each for UCI (10-12, 2-3). Sophomore goalie Joe Wynne recorded six saves.

The Anteaters host No. 4 UCLA Saturday in a MPSF contest at noon to begin a stretch of five straight home games to end the regular season.

UC Irvine	2	1	2	3	--	8
USC	5	2	6	2	--	15

UCI: Phil Garcia 3, Rick Merlo 3, Dan Noon, Curt Merlo.

USC: Trevor Clark 4, James Shin 2, Juraj Zatovic 2, Predrag Damjanov 2, Thomas Hale, Brett Reynolds, Juan Delgadillo, Gadi Hadar, Nick Healy.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 6; Don Ricci (USC) 12.

November 1, 2003

UC IRVINE DEFEATS UC SANTA BARBARA 10-8

SANTA BARBARA --- Juniors Dan Noon and Rick Merlo scored four goals each to lead No. 8 UC Irvine past ninth-ranked UC Santa Barbara, 10-8, in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation water polo at Santa Barbara Saturday.

Merlo's goal with 1:55 left in the fourth quarter gave the Anteaters (10-11, 2-2 MPSF) the lead for good at 8-7. Senior Phil Garcia, who had two goals in the game, scored with 1:10 for a 9-7 lead before the Gauchos' Brian Alexander scored with 51 seconds remaining to cut the UCI lead to 9-8. Noon then completed the scoring on a goal with 21 seconds left in the game.

Merlo scored three goals in the second quarter to give UCI a 5-4 halftime lead. Andrew Schoneberger led the Gauchos with four goals in the game. UCI sophomore goalie Joe Wynne had nine saves while Rick Wright had five for UCSB.

UCI travels to No. 1 USC for a MPSF game Sunday at noon.

UC Irvine	1	4	1	4	--	10
UC Santa Barbara	2	2	2	2	--	8

UCI: Dan Noon 4, Rick Merlo 4, Phil Garcia 2.

UCSB: Andrew Schoneberger 4, Doug Arthur 2, Brian Alexander, Steve Traverso.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 9; Rick Wright (UCSB) 5.

October 26, 2003

UC IRVINE OUTLASTS PACIFIC 17-12

STOCKTON, Calif. --- Dan Noon, Phil Garcia and Rick Merlo scored four goals each to lead No. 8 UC Irvine past 14th-ranked Pacific, 17-12, in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation water polo at Chris Kjeldsen Pool in Stockton Sunday.

Noon scored three of his goals in the first quarter as the Anteaters (9-11, 1-2 MPSF) led 5-3 after one period and 9-7 at halftime. Pacific's Eddie Wisniewski, who led all scorers with five goals, cut UCI's lead to 9-8 on a goal with 5:57 left in the third quarter. After the Tigers' Clint McLaughlin scored with 1:42 left in the third to trail 11-9, the Anteaters went on a 5-0 run at the end of the third and into the fourth quarter to take a commanding 16-9 lead in breaking their three-game losing streak.

Sophomore goalie Joe Wynne had nine saves for UCI while Tom Markel recorded four for Pacific (5-13, 0-5).

UCI returns to action with a pair of MPSF road games next weekend at UC Santa Barbara Saturday (3:00 p.m.) and USC Sunday (12:00 p.m.).

UC Irvine	5	4	4	4	--	17
Pacific	3	4	2	3	--	12

UCI: Dan Noon 4, Phil Garcia 4, Rick Merlo 4, Tim Hutten 2, Colin Mello, Curt Merlo, Nate White.

UOP: Eddie Wisniewski 5, Clint McLaughlin 3, Adam Zabler, Julian Gonzalez, Matt Mills, Eric Akerman.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 9; Tom Markel (UOP) 4.

October 25, 2003

CALIFORNIA TOPS UC IRVINE 9-5

BERKELEY, Calif. --- Attila Banhidy, Brian Kinsel and Andrija Vasiljevic scored two goals apiece to lead No. 2 California past eighth-ranked UC Irvine, 9-5, in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation men's water polo at Spieker Aquatics Complex in Berkeley Saturday.

The Golden Bears (14-4, 2-2) took charge in the third quarter outscoring the Anteaters 4-1 in that period to build a 7-2 lead. UCI pulled to within 7-4 on goals by Dan Noon and Rick Merlo early in the fourth quarter but Cal's Brian Bacharach scored with 3:39 left in the game to seal the win for the Bears.

Noon and Phil Garcia led the Anteaters (8-11, 0-2) with two goals each. Joe Wynne had three saves in goal for UCI while Tim Kates recorded eight for Cal.

UCI faces No. 14 Pacific in a MPSF game Sunday in Stockton at 12:00 p.m.

UC Irvine	0	1	1	3	--	5
California	2	1	4	2	--	9

UCI: Phil Garcia (2), Dan Noon (2), Rick Merlo.

Cal: Attila Banhidy (2), Brian Kinsel (2), Andrija Vasiljevic (2), Brian Bacharach, Greg Panawek, Will Quist.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 3; Tim Kates (Cal) 8.

October 19, 2003

LONG BEACH STATE DEFEATS UC IRVINE 7-5 IN MPSF OPENER

IRVINE, Calif. --- Junior Erik Geoffroy scored five goals to lead No. 7 Long Beach State past eighth-ranked UC Irvine, 7-5, in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation men's water polo opener for both teams at the Anteater Aquatics Complex Sunday.

Geoffroy's goal with 1:01 remaining in the second quarter gave the 49ers (11-7, 1-0) a 3-2 halftime lead and Long Beach State never trailed after that. Geoffroy scored back-to-back goals, including one on a penalty shot, late in the third quarter to extend the 49ers' lead to 6-3. His last goal with 4:29 left in the game gave Long Beach a 7-4 lead before UCI senior Phil Garcia scored his third goal of the game at 2:03 of the final quarter to provide the final score.

Thomas Onyshko had 13 saves in goal for Long Beach while sophomore Joe Wynne recorded eight stops for the Anteaters (8-10, 0-1).

UCI returns to action Saturday on the road against No. 1 California at 10:00 a.m. The Anteaters face Pacific in Stockton Sunday.

Long Beach State 1 2 3 1 -- 7

UC Irvine 1 1 2 1 -- 5

LBSU: Erik Geoffroy (5), Reid Tomassi, Jason Palda.

UCI: Phil Garcia (3), Chris Peters, Rick Merlo.

Saves: Thomas Onyshko (LBSU) 13; Joe Wynne (UCI) 8.

October 11, 2003

NO. 3 PEPPERDINE DEFEATS UC IRVINE 11-6

MALIBU, Calif. --- Jesse Smith and Josh Acosta scored three goals each to lead No. 3 Pepperdine past eighth-ranked UC Irvine, 11-6, in non-conference men's water polo at Raleigh Runnels Memorial Pool in Malibu Saturday.

Smith scored two of his goals in the first quarter as the Waves (10-2) built a 4-1 after one period. UCI's Phil Garcia scored both of his goals in the second quarter as the Anteaters (8-9) outscored Pepperdine 3-1 in that session to draw within 5-4 at halftime. Two goals by Acosta then led a 4-1 outburst by the Waves in the third period as Pepperdine took charge in the second half.

In addition to Garcia, Dan Noon and Rick Merlo also scored two goals each for UCI. The Anteaters open Mountain Pacific Sports Federation action hosting Long Beach State next Sunday (Oct. 19) at noon at the Anteater Aquatics Complex.

UC Irvine 1 3 1 1 -- 6

Pepperdine 4 1 4 2 -- 11

UCI: Dan Noon 2, Phil Garcia 2, Rick Merlo 2.

Pep: Jesse Smith 3, Josh Acosta 3, Scott Harvey 2, Garrit Barth, Jordan Keitel, Michael Hausmann.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 6; Ben Tait (Pep) 9.

October 5, 2003

UC IRVINE FINISHES 7TH AT NORTHERN CALIFORNIA TOURNAMENT

STANFORD, Calif. --- The UC Irvine men's water polo team claimed seventh place with an 11-8 win over Long Beach State in the Northern California Tournament at Stanford Sunday.

The Anteaters scored three unanswered goals, two by Nate White and one from Rick Merlo, in a three-minute span of the fourth quarter to break open the game. White and Phil Garcia scored three goals each for the game while Merlo and Dan Noon added two apiece. Joe Wynne had five saves in goal for ninth-ranked UCI, which is 8-8 overall this season.

Third-quarter goals by White (1:45) and Merlo (:52) gave UCI an 8-6 lead. The 49ers' Jason Palda scored with 6:37 left in the fourth quarter to close the gap to 8-7 before the Anteaters put

the game away. David Del Grande led No. 6 Long Beach State with three goals and Erik Geoffroy added two. LBSU goalie Thomas Onyshko had four saves.

Earlier Sunday, UCI lost to UC San Diego 7-6 in a consolation semifinal. Chris Eicholz scored a power-play goal with 2:50 left in regulation for the game-winner. Jonathan Hopkins led the Tritons with two goals while Dan Noon and Rick Merlo scored two each for UCI. Joe Wynne had six saves for the Anteaters and Colin McElroy had seven for UCSD.

UCI returns to action at Pepperdine Saturday at noon.

Long Beach State	3	1	2	2	--	8
UC Irvine	3	1	4	3	--	11

LBSU: David Del Grande 3, Erik Geoffroy 2, Blake Bartak, Brad Scoles, Jason Palda.

UCI: Nate White 3, Phil Garcia 3, Rick Merlo 2, Dan Noon 2, Mark Masterson.

Saves: Thomas Onyshko (LBSU) 4; Joe Wynne (UCI) 5.

UC San Diego	1	3	1	2	--	7
UC Irvine	3	1	2	0	--	6

UCSD: Jonathan Hopkins 2, Chris Eicholz, Chris Finegold, Steven Jendrusina, Clark Petersen, Brandon Borso.

UCI: Dan Noon 2, Rick Merlo 2, Phil Garcia, Tim Hutten.

Saves: Colin McElroy (UCSD) 7; Joe Wynne (UCI) 6.

October 4, 2003

UC IRVINE SPLITS AT NORTHERN CALIFORNIA TOURNAMENT SATURDAY

STANFORD, Calif. --- The UC Irvine men's water polo team split its two games in the first day of the Northern California Tournament at Stanford Saturday. The ninth-ranked Anteaters opened with a 7-6 win over No. 8 Loyola Marymount, then lost to No. 1 USC, 9-7. With the loss, UCI will head into the consolation bracket, facing No. 6 UC San Diego at 8:00 a.m. Sunday.

In the win over LMU, Nate White scored what proved to be the game-winning goal with 40 seconds remaining in the third quarter to give the Anteaters a 7-4 lead and UCI held off the Lions. Rick Merlo led the Anteaters with two goals in the second quarter as UCI built a 5-3 halftime lead. A goal by Chris Peters with 3:57 left in the third quarter extended the lead to 6-3. Joe Wynne had four saves in goal for the Anteaters. Endre Rex-Kiss led the Lions with three goals.

In the loss to USC, Dan Noon, Chris Peters and Rick Merlo scored two goals apiece. Merlo's second goal of the game at 3:21 of the fourth quarter drew the Anteaters to within one at 7-6, but back-to-back goals by Juraj Zatovic and James Shin sealed the win for the top-ranked Trojans. Zatovic and Shin scored three goals each to lead USC. Joe Wynne had four saves for the Anteaters and Bozidar Damjanovic had seven stops for USC.

UC Irvine 2 3 2 0 -- 7
Loyola Marymount 2 1 2 1 -- 6

UCI: Rick Merlo 2, Chris Peters, Dan Noon, Cole Bitter, Phil Garcia, Nate White.

LMU: Endre Rex-Kiss 3, Trevor Wagner, Ryan Chapatte, Scott Smith.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 4; Ian Elliott (LMU) 5.

UC Irvine 2 1 1 3 -- 7
USC 1 2 3 3 -- 9

UCI: Rick Merlo 2, Chris Peters 2, Dan Noon 2, Tim Hutten.

USC: James Shin 3, Juraj Zatovic 3, Gadi Hadar 2, Predrag Damjanov.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 4; Bozidar Damjanovic (USC) 7.

October 1, 2003

UC IRVINE CRUISES PAST CAL BAPTIST 17-5

IRVINE, Calif. --- Senior Phil Garcia scored a career-high five goals and junior Dan Noon added four as No. 9 UC Irvine topped 19th-ranked Cal Baptist, 17-5, in non-conference men's water polo action at the Anteater Aquatics Complex Wednesday night.

Juniors Rick Merlo and Cameron Bassett added three and two goals, respectively, as the Anteaters improved to 6-6 overall. UCI, led by two goals from Garcia, jumped out to a 4-0 lead and never trailed in the game. The Anteaters led 8-3 at halftime and scored five unanswered goals in the fourth quarter. Junior Darren Netzley led Cal Baptist (4-9) with two goals, both in the third quarter.

Sophomore goalie Joe Wynne had seven saves for UCI while junior Mike Riegelmann had three stops for the Lancers.

UCI competes in the Northern California Tournament at Stanford this weekend, opening against No. 8 Loyola Marymount at 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

Cal Baptist (4-9) 1 2 2 0 -- 5
UC Irvine (6-6) 4 4 4 5 -- 17

CBU: Darren Netzley (2), Brett Peterson, Leonardo Laterza, Matt Moore.

UCI: Phil Garcia (5), Dan Noon (4), Rick Merlo (3), Cameron Bassett (2), Curt Merlo, Nate White, Colin Mello.

Saves: Mike Riegelmann (CBU) 3; Joe Wynne (UCI) 7.

September 28, 2003

UCLA TURNS BACK UC IRVINE 12-8

LOS ANGELES --- Brett Ormsby scored four goals and Ted Peck added three as No. 7 UCLA defeated ninth-ranked UC Irvine, 12-8, in non-conference water polo action at Sunset Canyon Recreation Center Sunday.

Ormsby and Michael March scored within the first two minutes of the game and the Bruins built a 4-1 lead after one quarter. UCI junior Dan Noon, who scored a game-high five goals, scored twice within a minute of the second quarter to cut the UCLA lead to 4-3 but the Bruins scored three unanswered goals to go up 7-3 at the half.

Junior goalie Joseph Axelrad had six saves for UCLA (5-3) in its home opener while sophomore Joe Wynne recorded seven stops for the Anteaters (5-6).

UCI hosts Cal Baptist Wednesday night at 7:00 before competing in the Northern California Tournament at Stanford next Saturday and Sunday (Oct. 4-5).

UC Irvine (5-6)	1	2	2	3	--	8
UCLA (5-3)	4	3	3	2	--	12

UCI: Dan Noon (5), Chris Peters, Phil Garcia, Tim Hutten.

UCLA: Brett Ormsby (4), Ted Peck (3), Michael March (2), Peter Belden, David Pietsch, Grant Zider.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 7; Joseph Axelrad (UCLA) 6.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MEN'S WATER POLO TOURNAMENT Anteater Aquatics Complex - UC Irvine - Irvine, Calif. September 20-21, 2003

SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Sunday, September 21, 2003, Results

Long Beach State 9 UCLA 5 (Consolation Semifinal)
UC San Diego 6 Loyola Marymount 5 -- OT (Consolation Semifinal)
USC 9 Pepperdine 7 (Championship Semifinal)
Stanford 10 California 5 (Championship Semifinal)
UC Irvine 9 Cal Baptist 7 (9th-Place Bracket Game)
UC Santa Barbara 9 Pacific 4 (9th-Place Bracket Game)
UC San Diego 11 Long Beach State 10 (5th-Place Game)
UCLA 5 Loyola Marymount 4 (7th-Place Game)
USC 10 Stanford 9 --- Sudden-Victory OT (Championship Game)
Pepperdine 9 California 8 ---Sudden-Victory OT (3rd-Place Game)
UC Irvine 9 UC Santa Barbara 6 (9th-Place Game)
Pacific 13 Cal Baptist 12 --- OT (11th-Place Game)

Sunday, September 21, 2003, Results

Game #13:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
UCLA (2-3)	1	2	0	2	5
Long Beach State (6-2)	3	2	3	1	9

UCLA: Brett Ormsby 2, David Pietsch, Logan Powell, Grant Zider.
 LBSU: Erik Geoffroy 4, Blake Bartak 2, Jason Palda, David Del Grande, Nathan Allard.
 Saves: Joseph Axelrad (UCLA) 6; Thomas Onyshko (LBSU) 16..

Junior Erik Geoffroy scored three of his game-high four goals in the first half as No. 8 Long Beach State defeated fifth-ranked UCLA 9-5 in a consolation semifinal. The 49ers, who never trailed, advance to the fifth-place game later Sunday. Long Beach State outscored the Bruins 3-0 in the third quarter to put the game away. Sophomore goalie Thomas Onyshko recorded 16 saves in the victory. Junior Brett Ormsby led UCLA with a pair of second-quarter goals.

Game #14:	1	2	3	4	OT	OT	FINAL
Loyola Marymount (5-4)	1	2	2	0	0	0	5
UC San Diego (6-3)	1	1	1	2	1	0	6

LMU: Ryan Chapatte 2, Scott Smith, Sean Wimer, Endre Rex-Kiss.
 UCSD: Clark Petersen 2, Chris Finegold, Jonathan Hopkins, Brandon Borso, Matthew Ustaszewski.
 Saves: Ian Elliott (LMU) 13; Colin McElroy (UCSD) 10.

Junior Clark Petersen scored with 48 seconds left in the first three-minute overtime session and No. 6 UC San Diego held on to defeat 12th-ranked Loyola Marymount 6-5 in a consolation semifinal. UCSD will face Long Beach State in the fifth-place game later Sunday while the Lions will meet UCLA in the seventh-place contest. A goal by Endre Rex-Kiss with 23 seconds left in the third quarter gave LMU a 5-3 lead, but UCSD received fourth-quarter scores from Matthew Ustaszewski (6:29) and Chris Finegold (3:11).

Game #15:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Pepperdine (4-1)	1	3	2	1	7
USC (5-0)	4	1	4	0	9

Pep: Jesse Smith 3, Josh Acosta, Michael Hausmann, Scott Harvey, France Denk.
 USC: Juraj Zatovic 4, Gadi Hadar 2, James Shin, Predrag Damjanov, Cameron Kaiser.
 Saves: Ben Tait (Pep) 5; Bozidar Damjanovic (USC) 5.

Three first-quarter goals by sophomore Juraj Zatovic sparked No. 1 USC to a 9-7 win over fourth-ranked Pepperdine in the semifinals. The Trojans advance to the championship game later Sunday while the Waves will compete in the third-place contest. Pepperdine's France Denk and Jesse Smith scored back-to-back goals in the third quarter to cut USC's lead to 7-6 with 2:31 left in that period, but Cameron Kaiser and Zatovic countered with goals in the last two minutes of the third to seal the victory.

Game #16:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
California (4-1)	3	0	1	1	5
Stanford (4-0)	3	2	4	1	10

Cal: John Mann, Brian Kensel, Brian Bacharach, Attila Banhady, Andrija Vasiljevic.

Stan: Tony Azevedo 3, Thomas Hopkins 3, Peter Varellas 2, Tyler Drake, Matt Moser.

Saves: Tim Kates (Cal) 6; Chad Taylor (Stan) 10.

Top-ranked Stanford outscored No. 3 California 6-1 in the middle two quarters and went on to the 10-5 win in the semifinals. The Cardinal will face USC in the championship game while the Bears will meet Pepperdine for third place. Tony Azevedo and Thomas Hopkins scored three goals each to lead Stanford while five different Cal players scored a goal apiece.

Game #17:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Cal Baptist (4-7)	2	0	5	0	7
UC Irvine (4-5)	2	2	2	3	9

CBU: Darren Netzley 2, Matt Moore 2, Brett Peterson, Leonardo Laterza, Goran Milic.

UCI: Phil Garcia 4, Dan Noon 3, Curt Merlo, Rick Merlo.

Saves: Mike Reigelmann (CBU) 9; Joe Wynne (UCI) 5.

UC Irvine rallied from a 7-6 deficit after three quarters with three unanswered goals in the fourth period to defeat No. 19 Cal Baptist 9-7 in a ninth-place bracket game. Freshman Curt Merlo tied the game at 7-7 with a goal at 5:22 of the fourth quarter, then Dan Noon scored what turned out to be the game-winner at 1:36. Junior Rick Merlo, Curt's brother, scored the final goal with two seconds remaining to send UCI into the ninth-place game later. Darren Netzley and Matt Moore added two goals each for the Lancers.

Game #18:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Pacific (1-4)	0	3	1	0	4

UC Santa Barbara (7-4) 1 2 3 3 9

UOP: Eddie Wisniewski 3, Julian Gonzalez.

UCSB: Brian Alexander 3, Steve Traverso 3, Andrew Schoneberger 2, Doug Arthur.

Saves: Rob Low (UOP) 4; Rick Wright (UCSB) 5.

UC Santa Barbara outscored Pacific 6-1 in the second half and claimed the 9-4 win on the strength of three goals each from Brian Alexander and Steve Traverso. The 11th-ranked Gauchos will meet UCI in the ninth-place game later. Eddie Wisniewski led the No. 10 Tigers with three goals. Pacific will meet Cal Baptist in the 11th-place contest.

Game #19: (5th Place)	1	2	3	4	FINAL
UC San Diego (7-3)	2	3	2	4	11
Long Beach State (6-3)	3	3	3	1	10

UCSD: Jonathan Hopkins 5, Clark Petersen 2, Kevin Smoker, Steven Jendrusina, Brandon Borso, Matthew Ustaszewski.

LBSU: Brad Scoles 2, Reid Tomassi 2, Erik Geoffroy 2, Nathan Allard 2, Blake Bartak, John Foster.

Saves: Colin McElroy (UCSD) 2; Thomas Onyshko (LBSU) 8.

Kevin Smoker scored his only goal of the game with 1:12 left in regulation to give sixth-ranked UC San Diego fifth place in the tournament with an 11-10 win over No. 8 Long Beach State. Erik Geoffroy and John Foster had scored goals late in the third quarter to give the 49ers a 9-7 lead heading into the final period. Long Beach still led 10-8 with 5:54 remaining on a goal by Nathan Allard, but Jonathan Hopkins' fifth goal of the game at 5:34 and a score by Brandon Borso with 1:48 left pulled the Tritons even to set up Smoker's game-winning goal.

Game #20: (7th Place)	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Loyola Marymount (5-5)	1	1	2	0	4
UCLA (3-3)	1	1	2	1	5

LMU: Endre Rex-Kiss 2, Tamas Szego, Scott Smith.

UCLA: Brett Ormsby 2, Peter Belden, Thomas Foley, David Pietsch.

Saves: Ian Elliott (LMU) 14; Joseph Axelrad (UCLA) 3.

Sophomore David Pietsch scored the game-winning goal with 3:49 remaining in regulation to lift No. 5 UCLA past 12th-ranked Loyola Marymount in the seventh-place game. The Lions' Tamas Szego had tied the game with 2:48 to go in the third quarter as LMU lost its third consecutive one-goal game in the tournament. Brett Ormsby scored two goals to lead UCLA, which never trailed in the game. Endre Rex-Kiss led the Lions with a pair of goals and LMU's Ian Elliott had another busy game in goal making 14 stops.

Game #21: (Championship)	1	2	3	4	OT	OT	OT	FINAL
Stanford (4-1)	2	1	1	3	0	2	0	9
USC (6-0)	2	1	2	2	2	0	1	10

Stan: Greg Crum 3, Peter Varellas 2, Thomas Hopkins 2, Tony Azevedo, Mike Derse.

USC: Gadi Hadar 4, Juraj Zatovic 3, James Shin 2, Predrag Damjanov.

Saves: Chad Taylor (Stan) 9; Bozidar Damjanovic (USC) 8.

Senior Gadi Hadar scored the game-winning, power-play goal 1:57 into sudden-victory overtime lifting USC to a 10-9 win over Stanford in the championship contest of the Southern California Tournament. The game featured a matchup of the two teams tied for the nation's top spot in the latest coaches' poll. Stanford's Peter Varellas sent the game into overtime on a goal with 1:40 remaining in regulation to tie the score at 7-7. USC took a 9-7 lead after the first three-minute extra period on goals by Juraj Zatovic and Hadar. Stanford countered with goals in the second three-minute session as Greg Crum and Mike Derse connected to set the stage for Hadar's heroics in sudden victory.

Game #22: (3rd Place)	1	2	3	4	OT	OT	OT	FINAL
California (4-2)	2	1	4	1	0	0	0	8
Pepperdine (5-1)	2	2	3	1	0	0	1	9

Cal: John Mann 3, Brian Kinsel 2, Attila Banhady 2, Andrija Vasiljevic.

Pep: Josh Acosta 3, Garritt Barth 2, Jesse Smith 2, Scott Harvey, Morgan Matthies.

Saves: Nate Bennett (Cal) 6, Tim Kates (Cal) 1; Ben Tait (Pep) 15.

In the third-place game, freshman Garritt Barth scored a power-play goal 5:40 into sudden-victory overtime carrying No. 4 Pepperdine to a 9-8 win over third-ranked California. Barth also scored the goal that sent the game into extra minutes converting a power-play opportunity with 49 seconds left in regulation. Neither team scored in the first six-minute overtime period before the game went into sudden victory. John Mann led Cal with three goals, all in the second half. Josh Acosta led the Waves with three goals and Jesse Smith also scored two.

Game #23: (9th Place)

	1	2	3	4	FINAL
UC Santa Barbara (7-5)	1	1	3	1	6
UC Irvine (5-5)	1	3	2	3	9

UCSB: Matt Tilburg, Ross Sinclair, Ian Christensen, Doug Arthur, Andrew Schoneberger, Joe Ferguson.

UCI: Dan Noon 2, Rick Merlo 2, Chris Peters, Phil Garcia, Curt Merlo, Nate White.

Saves: Rick Wright (UCSB) 3; Joe Wynne (UCI) 3.

In the ninth-place game, No. 7 UC Irvine scored the final three goals of the game to defeat 11th-ranked UC Santa Barbara 9-6. After the Gauchos' Doug Arthur tied the game on a goal with 6:10 remaining in the fourth quarter, the Anteaters received goals from Curt Merlo (5:26), Rick Merlo (2:39) and Nate White (1:52). Dan Noon led the Anteaters with three goals.

Game #24: (11th Place)

	1	2	3	4	OT	OT	FINAL
Pacific (2-4)	2	2	4	2	3	0	13
Cal Baptist (4-8)	1	2	3	4	2	0	12

UOP: Chris Lancellotti 4, Eddie Wisniewski 3, Paul Sherrin 2, Alex Smith-Jones 2, Erik Akerman 2.

CBU: Filip Lugovic 4, Darren Netzley 3, Matt Moore 2, Leonardo Laterza, Kevin Callister, Aaron Abellano.

Saves: Tom Markel (UOP) 3, Rob Low (UOP) 2; Mike Riegelmann (CBU) 4.

Freshman Alex Smith-Jones scored the game-winner with 18 seconds left in the first three-minute overtime session and 10th-ranked Pacific held off No. 19 Cal Baptist 13-12 in the final three minutes of overtime to claim 11th place. Chris Lancellotti led the Tigers with four goals and Eddie Wisniewski added three. The Lancers' Filip Lugovic scored two of his four goals in the fourth quarter, including the score that sent the game into overtime as he converted with 1:26 left in regulation.

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Game #1:	1	2	3	4	OT	OT	OT	FINAL
Long Beach State (5-1)	1	2	1	2	0	1	1	8
UC Irvine (3-4)	0	2	3	1	0	1	0	7

LBSU: Erik Geoffroy 4, Reid Tomassi 3, Nathan Allard
 UCI: Phil Garcia 3, Rick Merlo 3, Cameron Bassett.
 Saves: Thomas Onyshko (LBSU) 6; Joe Wynne (UCI) 7.

Freshman Reid Tomassi scored in sudden-victory overtime to lift No. 8 Long Beach State past seventh-ranked UC Irvine, 8-7, in the opening game of the Southern California Men's Water Polo Tournament at the Anteater Aquatics Complex Saturday. The two teams traded goals in the regular overtime session of two three-minute periods before Tomassi connected on a power-play goal 2:25 into sudden victory. Tomassi had scored an extra-man goal with 16 seconds remaining in the regular overtime to tie the game at 7-7. UCI senior Phil Garcia scored on a breakaway to give the Anteaters a 7-6 lead with 2:18 left in overtime before Tomassi scored his back-to-back goals. Erik Geoffroy led the 49ers (5-1) with four goals and Tomassi added three. Garcia and Rick Merlo scored three goals apiece for UCI (3-4).

Game #2:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
UC Santa Barbara (6-3)	1	2	1	1	5
UC San Diego (5-2)	1	4	1	0	6

UCSB: Steve Traverso 3, Matt Tilburg, Ian Christensen.
 UCSD: Brandon Borso 2, Matthew Ustaszewski 2, Matt Ellis, Clark Petersen.
 Saves: Rick Wright (UCSB) 10; Colin McElroy (UCSD) 7.

Four-second half goals by No. 6 UC San Diego carried the Tritons past 11th-ranked UC Santa Barbara, 6-5, in group-play action of the Southern California Tournament. Brandon Borso scored both of his goals in the second period as the Tritons took a 5-3 halftime lead. Steve Traverso's goal with 4:17 left in the third quarter drew UCSB to within 5-4 but the Tritons' Clark Petersen scored with 3:11 remaining in the third for a 6-4 cushion.

Game #3:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Pacific (1-2)	2	1	0	3	6
Loyola Marymount (5-2)	3	2	4	2	11

UOP: Eddie Wisniewski 2, Clint McLaughlin 2, Julian Gonzalez, Adam Zabler.
 LMU: Endre Rex-Kiss 3, Kris Barr 2, Ryan Chapatte 2, Pat Reilly, Trevor Wagner, Tamas Szego, Scott Marshall.
 Saves: Rob Low (UOP) 4; Ian Elliott (LMU) 6, Justin Coleman (LMU) 2.

Twelfth-ranked Loyola Marymount built a 9-3 lead after three quarters and went on to defeat No. 10 Pacific, 11-6, in group play. The Lions scored four unanswered goals, two by Kris Barr, in the third quarter to put the game away. Endre Rex-Kiss led LMU with three goals while Barr and Ryan Chapatte added two each. Eddie Wisniewski and Clint McLaughlin scored two apiece for Pacific.

Game #4:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Cal Baptist (4-5)	2	0	1	3	6
UCLA (2-1)	5	3	4	1	13

CBU: Leonardo Laterza 2, Darren Netzley 2, Matt Moore, Goran Milic.

UCLA: Brett Ormsby 2, Logan Powell 2, Grant Zider 2, Ted Peck, Peter Belden, Thomas Foley, Josh Hewko, David Pietsch, Brad Greiner, David Shortenhaus.

Saves: Mike Riegelmann (CBU) 4; Joseph Axelrad (UCLA) 4.

Ten different UCLA players scored at least one goal in the fifth-ranked Bruins 13-6 victory over No. 19 Cal Baptist. Brett Ormsby, Logan Powell and Grant Zider scored two goals each for UCLA, which led 8-2 at halftime and 12-3 after three quarters.

Game #5:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
UC Irvine (3-5)	2	3	3	1	9
USC (3-0)	3	2	3	2	10

UCI: Dan Noon 4, Phil Garcia 3, Rick Merlo 2.

USC: Thomas Hale 3, Gadi Hadar 2, Juan Delgadillo, James Shin, Juraj Zatovic, Predrag Damjanov, Erik Healy.

Saves: Joe Wynne (UCI) 9; Bozidar Damjanovic (USC) 7.

Sophomore Juraj Zatovic's goal with 17 seconds remaining in regulation lifted top-ranked USC past No. 7 UC Irvine, 10-9, in group action Saturday afternoon. The Trojans, who are tied with Stanford for the nation's No. 1 spot, never trailed in the last three quarters but the game was tied six times after USC had taken a 3-2 lead on a power-play goal by Thomas Hale with one second left in the first period. UCI junior Dan Noon, who led all scorers with four goals, scored with 4:39 left in the fourth quarter to tie the game at 9-9 before Zatovic hit the game-winner. Hale led USC with three goals and Gadi Hadar added a pair while Rick Merlo added two goals for the Anteaters, who will play in a consolation-bracket game at 11:20 Sunday morning.

Game #6:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
UC San Diego (5-3)	4	1	1	2	8

Stanford (2-0) 3 2 4 5 14

UCSD: Jonathan Hopkins 2, Nate Cooper, Clark Petersen, Brandon Borso, Matthew Ustaszewski, Chris Eicholz, Matt Ellis.

Stan: Tony Azevedo 4, Mike Derse 3, Peter Varellas 2, Thomas Hopkins 2, Tyler Drake, Matt Moser, Greg Crum.

Saves: Colin McElroy (UCSD) 9; Chad Taylor (Stan) 6.

Junior Tony Azevedo scored four goals to lead No. 1 Stanford past UC San Diego, 14-8. The sixth-ranked Tritons played the Cardinal even in the first half as the game was tied 5-5 at halftime. Stanford broke it open in the second half as Azevedo, Thomas Hopkins and Mike Derse scored two goals each in the final two quarters. Derse added three goals for the Cardinal while Jonathan Hopkins led UCSD with two goals.

Game #7:	1	2	3	4	OT	OT	OT	FINAL
Loyola Marymount (5-3)	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	6
California (3-0)	2	1	1	2	0	0	1	7

LMU: Tamas Szego 3, Ryan Chapatte 2, Endre Rex-Kiss.

Cal: Attila Banhady 2, Andrija Vasiljevic 2, Greg Panawek, Brian Bacharach, Sean Vienna.

Saves: Ian Elliott (LMU) 17; Tim Kates (Cal) 8.

Freshman Andrija Vasiljevic scored his second goal of the game 3:26 into sudden-victory overtime to give third-ranked California a 7-6 win over Loyola Marymount. The 12th-ranked Lions were on the verge of the upset but Cal was awarded a penalty shot with one second remaining in regulation and the Golden Bears' Attila Banhidy converted to send the game into extra time. Neither team scored in the regular overtime of two three-minute periods prior to the winning goal by Vasiljevic. Banhidy also scored a pair of goals in the game while Tamas Szego led LMU with three goals and Ryan Chapatte added two. The Lions' Ian Elliott was brilliant in goal stopping 17 Cal shots. Tim Kates had eight saves for the Bears.

Game #8:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
UCLA (2-2)	2	2	1	1	6
Pepperdine (3-0)	1	2	2	4	9

UCLA: Brett Ormsby 3, Josh Hewko, Brad Greiner, Michael March.

Pep: Jordan Keitel 3, Morgan Matthies 2, Jesse Smith 2, Josh Acosta, Scott Harvey.

Saves: Joseph Axelrad (UCLA) 11; Ben Tait (Pep) 12.

Jordan Keitel and Morgan Matthies scored two goals each in the fourth quarter to propel No. 4 Pepperdine past fifth-ranked UCLA, 9-6. Brett Ormsby had given the Bruins a 5-4 lead on a power-play goal with 3:13 left in the third quarter before Josh Acosta tied the game at 5-5 on a goal with 20 seconds remaining in the third. Matthies and Keitel scored back-to-back goals giving Pepperdine a 7-5 lead to open the fourth quarter and after UCLA's Josh Hewko scored to cut the margin to 7-6, Keitel scored with 1:11 left in regulation and Matthies closed the scoring with 34 seconds remaining.

Game #9:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Long Beach State (5-2)	2	2	2	1	7
USC (4-0)	4	1	2	2	9

LBSU: Reid Tomassi 2, Erik Geoffroy 2, Blake Bartak, Jason Palda, Nathan Allard.

USC: Juraj Zatovic 3, Gadi Hadar 3, James Shin 2, Predrag Damjanov.

Saves: Thomas Onyshko (LBSU) 9; Bozidar Damjanovic (USC) 6, Don Ricci (USC) 1.

Sophomore Juraj Zatovic scored the eventual game-winning goal with 1:49 left in the third quarter to give No. 1 USC a 9-7 win over No. 8 Long Beach State. With the victory, USC moves into Sunday's championship semifinals. Jason Palda and Reid Tomassi scored back-to-back goals at 6:36 and 4:16, respectively, of the third quarter to give the 49ers a 6-5 lead. Zatovic tied the game with a goal at 3:03 and then his power-play goal later in the third gave USC the lead for good at 7-6. Gadi Hadar scored a pair of goals in the fourth quarter to extend the lead to 9-6 and the Trojans held on for the victory.

Game #10:	1	2	3	4	OT	OT	FINAL
UC Santa Barbara (6-4)	1	4	1	1	0	0	7
Stanford (3-0)	2	4	0	1	1	1	9

UCSB: Ian Christensen 2, Doug Arthur 2, Andrew Schoneberger 2, Matt Tilburg.

Stan: Peter Varellas 3, Greg Crum 2, Tony Azevedo, Tyler Drake, Thomas Hopkins, Mike Derse.

Saves: Rick Wright (UCSB) 9; Chad Taylor (Stan) 6.

Sophomore Peter Varellas scored a power-play goal with five seconds left in regulation to tie the game at 7-7 and top-ranked Stanford went on to defeat No. 11 UC Santa Barbara, 9-7, in overtime. With the victory, Stanford moves into the championship semifinals Sunday. The Cardinal notched a goal in each of the two three-minute periods played in college overtime. Varellas scored the eventual game-winner with 1:17 left in the first extra session and Greg Crum scored the final goal with 1:35 remaining in the second overtime period. In regulation, UCSB's Ian Christensen scored with 5:12 left in the third quarter to tie the game at 6-6 and teammate Doug

Arthur put the Gauchos ahead on a goal with 3:55 remaining in the fourth quarter before Varellas hit the equalizer.

Game #11:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Pacific (1-3)	2	4	0	2	8
California (4-0)	3	4	1	4	12

UOP: Julian Gonzalez 2, Eddie Wisniewski 2, Adam Zabler 2, Chris Lancellotti, Erik Akerman.

Cal: John Mann 2, Brian Kinsel 2, Will Quist 2, Brian Bacharach 2, Greg Snyder, Jeff Leeper, Attila Banhidy, Andrija Vasiljevic.

Saves: Tom Markel (UOP) 2; Nate Bennett (Cal) 2.

Third-ranked California broke away from a tight game with three consecutive goals to start the fourth quarter in defeating No. 10 Pacific 12-8. With the win, the Golden Bears advance to Sunday's championship semifinals and will face Stanford at 10:15 a.m. John Mann, Brian Bacharach and Jeff Leeper scored within 2 1/2 minutes of the fourth quarter to give Cal an 11-6 lead to put the game away. Mann, Bacharach, Brian Kinsel and Will Quist scored two goals each. Julian Gonzalez, Eddie Wisniewski and Adam Zabler scored two apiece for the Tigers, who will meet UC Santa Barbara in a ninth-place bracket game at 12:25 p.m. Sunday.

Game #12	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Cal Baptist (4-6)	1	3	1	2	7
Pepperdine (4-0)	2	2	8	3	15

CBU: Goran Milic 3, Darren Netzley 2, Leonardo Laterza, Matt Moore.

Pep: Jesse Smith 3, Tom Jasper 2, Scott Harvey 2, Doug Mann 2, Garrit Barth 2, Josh Acosta, Michael Hausmann, Jordan Keitel, France Denk.

Saves: Mike Riegelmann (CBU) 6; Ben Tait (Pep) 8.

Fourth-ranked Pepperdine outscored Cal Baptist 8-1 in the third quarter and coasted to a 15-7 win over the Lancers. The Waves will meet USC in one championship semifinal at 9:10 a.m. Sunday. Jesse Smith's three goals led nine Pepperdine players in the scoring column. Goran Milic led Cal Baptist with three goals as the Lancers will meet UC Irvine in a ninth-place bracket game at 11:20 a.m. Sunday.

September 17, 2003

LOYOLA MARYMOUNT STUNS UC IRVINE 8-7

IRVINE, Calif. --- Senior Ryan Chapatte scored a power-play goal with 12 seconds remaining to lift No. 12 Loyola Marymount past seventh-ranked UC Irvine, 8-7, in non-conference men's water polo action at the Anteater Aquatics Complex Wednesday night. The victory was the Lions' first-ever over UCI in eight attempts and raised Loyola Marymount's overall record to 4-2.

The game featured five ties before Chapatte's game-winning score. UCI sophomore Nate White had tied the game at 7-7 on an extra-man goal with 43 seconds remaining after Chapatte had given LMU a 7-6 lead on a power-play goal with 3:08 left in the fourth quarter.

UCI led 2-1 after one quarter on goals by junior Dan Noon and senior Phil Garcia. The Lions' Kris Barr scored at 4:57 of the second quarter to tie the game at 2-2 and LMU never trailed again. Chapatte led the Lions with three goals with Barr and Endre Rex-Kiss adding two apiece. Lions' goalkeeper Ian Elliott recorded 10 saves.

Garcia and Noon led UCI (3-3) with three goals each. Sophomore goalie Joe Wynne had six saves.

Both teams compete in the 12-team Southern California Tournament at UCI this Saturday and Sunday. Eleven of the nation's top-12 ranked teams are in the field with 12 games each day beginning at 7:00 a.m.

Loyola Marymount	1	3	1	3	--	8
UC Irvine	2	1	2	2	--	7

LMU: Ryan Chapatte 3, Endre Rex-Kiss 2, Kris Barr 2, Tamas Szego 1.

UCI: Phil Garcia 3, Dan Noon 3, Nate White 1.

Saves: Ian Elliott (LMU) 10; Joe Wynne (UCI) 6.

September 14, 2003

NO. 2 USC DEFEATS UC IRVINE 12-6

IRVINE, Calif. --- Second-ranked USC, on the strength of six goals in the second quarter, defeated UC Irvine, 12-6, in non-conference men's water polo action at the Anteater Aquatics Complex Sunday afternoon.

A goal by junior Dan Noon with 35 seconds left in the first quarter gave the seventh-ranked Anteaters a 2-1 lead before the Trojans scored four unanswered goals to open the second period and went on to lead 7-3 at intermission. Junior Nick Andrejic tied the game at 2-2 on a power-play goal with 6:27 left in the second quarter and senior Brett Reynolds scored what turned out to be the game-winning goal 38 seconds later at 5:49 to give USC the lead for good at 3-2.

Sophomore Juraj Zatovic led USC (2-0) with three goals, all in the third quarter. Andrejic and freshman Thomas Hale added two goals each. Noon led the Anteaters (3-2) with three goals and junior Rick Merlo added two. Sophomore goalkeeper Joe Wynne had five saves.

UCI returns to action hosting Loyola Marymount Wednesday night at 7:00, then the Anteaters host the 12-team, Southern California Tournament next Saturday and Sunday. Twelve games will

be played each day beginning at 7:00 a.m. The tournament features 11 of the nation's top-12 ranked teams.

USC **1 6 4 1 -- 12**

UC Irvine **2 1 1 2 -- 6**

USC: Zatovic 3, Andrejic 2, Hale 2, Zepfel 1, Reynolds 1, Shin 1, Hadar 1, Healy 1.

UCI: Noon 3, R. Merlo 2, Bassett 1.

Saves: Damjanovic (USC) 3, Ricci (USC) 2; Wynne (UCI) 5.