



## WEEKLY SPORTS UPDATE

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### 2008 MOUNTAIN PACIFIC SPORTS FEDERATION MEN'S VOLLEYBALL STANDINGS

	CONFERENCE					OVERALL						
	W	L	PCT	HOME	AWAY	W	L	PCT	HOME	AWAY	NEUT	STREAK
1. Long Beach State <4>	4	0	1.000	1-0	3-0	6	0	1.000	1-0	3-0	2-0	Won 6
1. Pepperdine <2>	4	0	1.000	2-0	2-0	4	0	1.000	2-0	2-0	0-0	Won 4
3. BYU <1>	2	0	1.000	0-0	2-0	4	0	1.000	0-0	4-0	0-0	Won 4
4. UCLA <5>	3	1	.750	3-1	0-0	5	2	.714	3-1	1-0	1-1	Lost 1
5. CS Northridge <7>	2	1	.667	0-0	2-1	4	2	.667	0-0	3-1	1-1	Won 1
6. Stanford <6>	2	2	.500	1-1	1-1	5	2	.714	2-1	1-1	2-0	Lost 1
6. USC <11>	2	2	.500	1-1	1-1	3	4	.429	1-1	1-1	1-2	Lost 1
8. UC San Diego <15>	1	3	.250	0-2	1-1	2	3	.400	1-2	1-1	0-0	Won 1
8. UC Irvine <10>	1	3	.250	1-2	0-1	3	5	.375	2-2	1-1	0-2	Lost 3
10. Hawaii <13>	0	2	.000	0-2	0-0	1	4	.200	1-4	0-0	0-0	Lost 3
11. UC Santa Barbara	0	3	.000	0-1	0-2	1	5	.167	1-3	0-2	0-0	Lost 3
12. Pacific	0	4	.000	0-2	0-2	0	6	.000	0-2	0-3	0-1	Lost 6

*MPSF Champion and automatic qualifier to NCAA Championship determined at MPSF Tournament, April 19-26... < > National Ranking*

#### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

##### Sat, Jan. 19

\*CS Northridge d. UCSB, 31-33, 30-28, 30-24, 30-24  
 \*Pepperdine d. STANFORD, 30-20, 30-23, 20-30, 30-20  
 \*UC San Diego d. UC IRVINE, 30-25, 30-22, 31-33, 34-32  
 BYU d. LEWIS, 23-30, 30-18, 26-30, 30-20, 15-13

##### Fri, Jan. 18

\*Long Beach State d. UCLA, 30-27, 30-18, 24-30, 30-28  
 \*Pepperdine d. PACIFIC, 30-26, 30-19, 31-33, 30-22  
 \*STANFORD d. USC, 30-28, 30-26, 26-30, 30-17  
 BYU d. IPFW, 30-23, 32-30, 23-30, 30-26

##### Thu, Jan. 17

\*UCLA d. UC San Diego, 30-21, 30-28, 30-26

##### Wed, Jan. 16

\*LONG BEACH STATE d. UC Irvine, 36-34, 30-28, 30-24  
 \*USC d. PACIFIC, 30-28, 30-23, 30-26

##### Tue, Jan. 15

STANFORD d. UC Santa Cruz, 30-18, 30-23, 34-32

*Home Team in CAPS*

*\*MPSF Match*

#### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

##### Mon, Jan. 21

BYU at LOYOLA-CHICAGO 7pm

##### Wed, Jan. 23

\*UCLA at USC 7pm  
 \*UC Irvine at PEPPERDINE 7pm  
 \*UC San Diego at HAWAII 7pm

##### Thu, Jan. 24

\*Stanford at CS NORTHRIDGE 7pm

##### Fri, Jan. 25

\*UCLA at PEPPERDINE 7pm  
 \*UC Irvine at USC 7pm  
 \*Pacific at CS NORTHRIDGE 7pm  
 \*Stanford at UC SANTA BARBARA 7pm  
 \*UC San Diego at HAWAII 7pm  
 Cal Baptist at BYU 7pm

##### Sat, Jan. 26

\*Pacific at UC SANTA BARBARA 7pm  
 Cal Baptist at BYU 7pm

## 49ERS AND WAVES 4-0 IN MPSF; UCSD IN TOP-15 WITH UPSET WIN

**LONG BEACH STATE** won two more MPSF matches to stay unbeaten, 3-0 at home over UC Irvine and 3-1 at UCLA. Senior conference kill leader Paul Lotman combined for 42 in seven games (6.00 K/G), including 25 at UCLA. Freshman Mike Klipsch recorded 56 assists and 11 digs in Westwood for his first career double-double. Dan Alexander hit .571 vs. UCI (14-2-21) along with six blocks. The 49ers, who have dropped just two individual games in a 6-0 start this season, are off until a Jan. 30 showdown against Pepperdine in the Pyramid.

**PEPPERDINE** won 3-1 at Pacific and No. 6 Stanford this past weekend, without junior Paul Carroll, to improve to 4-0 overall and in conference play. Senior setter Jonathan Winder combined for 102 assists to become Pepperdine's all-time leader with 3,952. He led the Waves to a .363 attack in Stockton while picking up a career-high 17 digs. J.D. Schleppenbach collected 21 kills (.385) vs. the Cardinal and 17 vs. the Tigers. UC Irvine and UCLA visit Malibu on Wednesday (Jan. 23) and Friday (Jan. 25).

**UC SAN DIEGO** stunned defending national champion UC Irvine on the road Saturday in four sets and is ranked No. 15 in this week's AVCA Coaches' poll. The Tritons had a 12-6 blocking advantage and served 12 aces. Senior Russ Hardy tallied a career-high 24 kills (.647), while sophomores Jason Spangler and Frank Fritsch were also in double-figures with 15 and 14 kills respectively. Hardy had 10 kills (.438) in a 3-0 loss at UCLA two nights earlier. The Tritons head to Hawaii this week for two MPSF matches Wednesday and Friday (Jan. 23 & 25).

**CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE** won its only match last week, in four sets at No. 14 UC Santa Barbara. The Matadors held the Gauchos to a .163 attack. Junior Eric Vance nailed a career-best 26 kills at .404 (26-5-52) and chipped in 12 digs for the double-double. Conference action continues, in the home openers with Stanford Thursday (Jan. 24) and Pacific Friday (Jan. 25).

**BYU** senior Ivan Perez totaled 42 kills in his first weekend in the lineup, leading the team to road wins at IPFW, 3-1, and Lewis, 3-2. He tallied 20 kills and 11 digs vs. the Flyers and 22 kills (.588) vs. the 'Dons. The Cougars are at Loyola-Chicago Monday, followed by their home openers against Cal Baptist Friday and Saturday (Jan. 25 & 26).

**STANFORD** took two of three at home with wins over UC Santa Cruz, 3-0, and No. 11 USC, 3-1, and a loss to No. 2 Pepperdine, 3-1. Senior Matt Ceran posted a double-double against the Trojans with 18 kills and 12 digs. Sophomore Evan Romero had 19 kills and nine digs in the conference win. The Cardinal travels to CS Northridge Thursday (Jan. 24) and UCSB Friday (Jan. 25).

**UCLA** split a pair of conference home matches, sweeping UC San Diego and falling in four to Long Beach State. Sophomore Garrett Muagututia had 14 kills (.450) in the win, while junior Jamie Diefenbach added eight kills and eight blocks. The Bruins hit the road this week at USC Wednesday (Jan. 23) and No. 2 Pepperdine Friday (Jan. 25).

**USC** freshman Murphy Troy tallied 17 kills in a 3-1 loss at No. 6 Stanford and a match-high 15 (.400) in a sweep at Pacific. Sophomore C.J. Schellenberg hit .522 (14-2-23) within a .394 team attack in Stockton. Senior Jimmy Killian collected 47 assists and six blocks in that match. USC hosts UCLA Wednesday (Jan. 23) and UC Irvine Friday (Jan. 25).

**UC IRVINE** fell in three at No. 5 Long Beach State and in four at home to UC San Diego. Junior Jon Steller led UCI with 14 kills (.478) vs. UCSD while freshman Kevin Carroll had a team-high 15 kills in Long Beach. The 3-5 Anteaters visit second-ranked Pepperdine Wednesday (Jan. 23) and USC Friday (Jan. 25).

**UC SANTA BARBARA** freshman Jeff Menzel slammed a career-high 24 kills Saturday in a 3-1 home loss to No. 8 CS Northridge. Sophomore Sam Moisenko added eight blocks. The 1-5 Gauchos stay home this week as Stanford and Pacific visit Friday (Jan. 25) and Saturday (Jan. 26) in conference action. Menzel ranks second in the MPSF this week with 5.45 kills per game.

**PACIFIC** fell 3-0 to No. 11 USC and 3-1 to No. 2 Pepperdine at home this past week. Sophomore Jason Borchin and junior Jeff Hendershot each recorded 11 kills vs. the Trojans. Pekka Seppanen tallied a double-double on 17 kills and 12 digs vs. the Waves. The Tigers head south this weekend to face CS Northridge Friday (Jan. 25) and UC Santa Barbara Saturday (Jan. 26).

**HAWAII** was off this past week and hosts UC San Diego Thursday and Saturday (Jan. 23 & 25). Last time in action, the Warriors dropped a pair of conference home matches to Long Beach State, Jan. 10-11. Junior Jim Clar ranks ninth in the league in both kills (4.23) and points per game (5.12).

## WINDER NAMED MPSF MOLTEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK

*Woodland, Calif.* – Pepperdine senior setter **Jonathan Winder** (Irvine, CA / Woodbridge HS) became the all-time assist leader in program history as he dished out 48 Saturday night in a four-set win at No. 6 Stanford. Winder's career assist total stands at 3,952, breaking Kurt Nelson's mark of 3,938 from 1997-2000. Winder also had 54 assists in a four-set win at Pacific on Friday, and picked up a career-high 17 digs. He set the Waves to a .363 hitting attack in Stockton, without the services of first-team All-American Paul Carroll, and having just one other player on the court who had significant playing time from last year. For the weekend, Winder combined for nine blocks (1.12 B/G), 26 digs (3.25 D/G), and 102 assists (12.75 A/G).

AVCA TOP-15 Poll  
January 21, 2008

Rank	Team (1 <sup>st</sup> -place)	Last Week	Points
1	BYU (9)	1	228
2	PEPPERDINE (4)	2	217
3	Penn State (2)	3	213
4	LONG BEACH STATE	5	198
5	UCLA	4	178
6	STANFORD	6	155
7	CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE	8	136
8	Ohio State	9	125
9	IPFW	10	104
10	UC IRVINE	7	96
11	USC	11	86
12	George Mason	13	55
13	HAWAII	12	54
14	Loyola-Chicago	T14	35
15	UC SAN DIEGO	NR	22

MPSF CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

Wed, Apr. 16 – Play-in for #7 seed

- # 8 MPSF regular season finisher at # 7

Sat, Apr. 19 – Quarterfinals at Campus Sites

- #1 - Bye
- Match 1: # 7 (Winner of Play-in) at # 2
- Match 2: # 6 at # 3
- Match 3: # 5 at # 4

Thu, Apr. 24 – Semifinals at Site of No. 1 Seed

- Match 4: Winner of Match 3 at # 1
- Match 5: Winner of Match 1 vs. Winner of Match 2  
(Minimum of 30 minutes between matches)

Sat, Apr. 26 – Championship Match at Site of No. 1 Seed

- Match 6: Semi-Final Winners of Match 4 and 5

**MOLTEN USA**

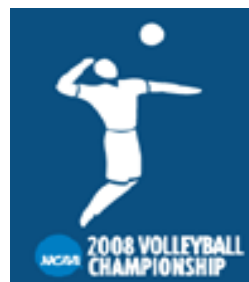
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**2008 MPSF MOLTEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

Week	Student-Athlete	School
Jan. 21	Jonathan Winder	Pepperdine
Jan. 14	Paul Carroll	Pepperdine
Jan. 14	Paul Lotman	Long Beach State
Jan. 7	Matt Ceran	Stanford
Jan. 7	Dean Bittner	Long Beach State

2008 NCAA MEN'S VOLLEYBALL  
CHAMPIONSHIP

May 1 & 3 at UC Irvine



For championship info, match times and ticket prices, link to the UCI Tournament webpage:

<http://ucirvinesports.cstv.com/sports/m-volley/spec-rel/ucir-08-ncaa-mvolley.html>

2008 MPSF PRESEASON  
COACHES' POLL

Rank/School	Points (1 <sup>st</sup> place)	2007 Record (MPSF)
1. Pepperdine	108 (5)	26-3 (21-1/1st)
2. BYU	105 (5)	23-6 (18-4/2 <sup>nd</sup> )
3. UCLA	104 (1)	19-11(13-9/5th)
4. UC Irvine	88	29-5 (17-5/3rd)
5. CS Northridge	85 (1)	18-15 (11-11/T-6th)
6. USC	68	12-16 (9-13/8th)
7. Long Beach State	57	11-17 (6-16/10th)
8. Hawaii	51	13-14 (11-11/T-6th)
9. Stanford	50	3-25 (2-20/T-11th)
10. UCSB	40	20-12 (14-8/4th)
11. Pacific	23	14-17 (8-14/9th)
12. UC San Diego	13	5-23 (2-20/T-11th)

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