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2007 MOUNTAIN PACIFIC SPORTS FEDERATION MEN'S WATER POLO STANDINGS

	CONFERENCE					OVERALL						
	W	L	PCT	HOME	AWAY	W	L	PCT	HOME	AWAY	NEUT	STREAK
1. California <2>	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	4	0	1.000	0-0	1-0	3-0	Won 4
1. UC Santa Barbara <7>	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	4	0	1.000	0-0	1-0	3-0	Won 4
3. Pepperdine <6>	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	3	1	.750	0-0	0-0	3-1	Lost 1
4. Pacific <13>	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	2	2	.500	0-0	0-1	2-1	Won 2
5. USC <1>	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	
5. UCLA <3>	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	
5. Stanford <4>	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	
5. UC Irvine <5>	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	
5. Long Beach State <9>	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	

Final Standings=Champ. Seeding; MPSF Champion determined at MPSF Tournament Nov. 23- Nov. 25 at CAL... < > National Ranking.

2007 SEASON UNDERWAY; CAL AND UCSB 4-0

CALIFORNIA turned in a perfect 4-0 record at the Navy Invitational this past weekend, with wins over No. 18 Bucknell 11-7, No. 11 Navy 12-7, No. 14 St. Francis 20-6, and Johns Hopkins 23-3. Senior **Michael Sharf** led the scoring for the No. 2 Bears in each game, totaling 18 goals for the weekend. The defending national champs visit Pacific Saturday (Sept. 8) and host UC Davis Sunday (Sept. 9) in a pair of non-conference games....

UC SANTA BARBARA won the UC San Diego Invitational with four wins, highlighted by a 7-6 upset over No. 6 Pepperdine in the final. Junior **Miles Price** tallied four goals, including the game winner early in the fourth quarter. The Gauchos also topped No. 8 UC San Diego 10-8, No. 17 Air Force 11-5, and No. 19 Pomona Pitzer 19-4 en route to a perfect tournament. Senior **Matt Dale** scored three goals vs. the Tritons. UCSB competes at the Inland Empire Tournament this weekend (Sept. 8-9), where it faces Pepperdine, Cal Baptist, Pomona-Pitzer, Chapman, and Redlands....

PEPPERDINE opened up the season with a second place finish at the UC San Diego Invitational. The Waves finished 3-1 in the two-day event, falling to No. 7 UC Santa Barbara 7-6 in the title game. Previous victories included No. 10 Loyola Marymount 10-4, No. 11 UC Davis 13-6, and Cal Baptist 16-9 to reach the championship game in La Jolla. Junior **Adam Hewko** recorded 10 goals in four games. The Waves will get an immediate rematch with the Gauchos, opening the Inland Empire Tournament Saturday (Sept. 8) at 10:20 am....

PACIFIC split four games at the Navy Invitational, falling to No. 18 Bucknell 10-5 and No. 11 Navy 13-12 in overtime Friday, before bouncing back 11-10 over Johns Hopkins and 17-15 over George Washington Saturday. Senior **Duje Kuarloto** led the Tigers with a hat trick against the Blue Jays, while senior **Andy Skora** poured in a team-high five goals in the final game vs. the Colonials. Pacific hosts No. 2 California Saturday (Sept. 8)....

USC topped the preseason MPSF and national coaches poll, coming off a 26-2 season, runners up at the MPSF and NCAA Tournament. Sophomore **J.W. Krumpholz** is the top returning scorer (38 goals) while senior goaltender **Adam Shilling** led the conference with a 4.69 GAA. The season opens at home Saturday (Sept. 8) at noon vs. Loyola Marymount....

UCLA visits Loyola Marymount Thursday (Sept. 6) at 3pm, before heading to the Inland Empire Tournament Saturday (Sept. 8). The preseason third-ranked Bruins finished 17-6 overall, 6-2 MPSF last year and third place. 2006 All-Americans **Krsto Sbutega** (30 goals), **Marco Santos** (27 goals) and goalkeeper **Chay Lapin** (4.87 GAA) are amongst the top returnees....

STANFORD hosts 20th-ranked UC Santa Cruz in its season opener Saturday (Sept. 8) at noon. The Cardinal, preseason No. 4, had a 17-9 record in 2006 and finished in the upper-half of the MPSF at 5-3. **Drac** and **Janson Wigo** combined for 68 goals as freshmen last year....

UC IRVINE opens its 2007 campaign at Cal Baptist Friday (Sept. 7) at 3pm. The Anteaters are coming off a 10-21 season, though made the largest jump of any team in the preseason national poll from the end of last season, from No. 11 to No. 5. Eight of nine top scorers return, including senior **Colin Mello**, the MPSF leading scorer in 2006 with 87 goals....

LONG BEACH STATE ended last season 11-17 and begins 2007 at the Inland Empire Tournament this weekend (Sept. 8-9). **Jeff Greenwood's** 1.64 goals per game as a freshman ranked ninth in the conference last year. Senior **Steve MacKenzie** returns in goal, averaging 9.48 saves in '06....

PRICE AND SHARF NAMED MPSF MIKASA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Woodland, Calif. – UC Santa Barbara junior **Miles Price** scored eight goals, including four and the game-winner in the title game at the UCSD Invitational. The Gauchos won all four games, with two wins over the top-10 against No. 8 UCSD and No. 6 Pepperdine. **California** senior **Michael Sharf** tallied 18 goals in four Bear wins in Annapolis, leading the team each game, with a career-high six goals vs. Navy....

WATER POLO COACHES ASSN. TOP 20

(Preseason)

Rank	Team	2006 Finish	Points
1	USC	2	100
2	CALIFORNIA	1	95
3	UCLA	3	89
4	STANFORD	4	86
5	UC IRVINE	11	75
6	PEPPERDINE	10	74
7	UC SANTA BARBARA	6	71
8	UC San Diego	5	67
9	LONG BEACH STATE	9	56
10	Loyola Marymount	8	55
11	UC Davis	13	49
11	Navy	12	49
13	PACIFIC	7	39
14	St. Francis College (NY)	15	35
15	Princeton	14	31
16	Santa Clara	16	28
17	Air Force	17	20
18	Bucknell	18	14
19	Pomona Pitzer	RV	8
20	UC Santa Cruz	19	5

UPCOMING GAMES

Thurs, Sept. 6	UCLA at LOYOLA MARYMOUNT	3pm
Fri, Sept. 7	UC Irvine at CAL BAPTIST	3pm
Sat, Sept. 8	Pepperdine vs. UC Santa Barbara (Inland Empire)	1020am
	Pepperdine vs. Whittier (Inland Empire)	220pm
	Pepperdine vs. Claremont-Mudd-Scripps (Inland Empire)	5pm
	Long Beach State at REDLANDS (Inland Empire)	1140am
	Long Beach State vs. Chapman (Inland Empire)	220pm
	UC Santa Barbara vs. Cal Baptist (Inland Empire)	1pm
	UC Santa Barbara vs. Pomona Pitzer (Inland Empire)	340pm
	UCLA vs. Pomona Pitzer (Inland Empire)	1020am
	UCLA vs. Occidental (Inland Empire)	1pm
	UCLA at REDLANDS (Inland Empire)	340pm
	UC Santa Cruz at STANFORD	12Noon
	Loyola Marymount at USC	12Noon
	California at PACIFIC	12Noon
Sun, Sept. 9	UC Santa Barbara vs. Chapman (Inland Empire)	220pm
	UC Santa Barbara at REDLANDS (Inland Empire)	1020pm
	Long Beach State vs. Pomona Pitzer (Inland Empire)	1140am
	Long Beach State at LA VERNE (Inland Empire)	340pm
	Pepperdine vs. Cal Lutheran (Inland Empire)	9am
	Pepperdine vs. Cal Baptist (Inland Empire)	1pm
	UC Davis at CALIFORNIA	12Noon

RECENT RESULTS

(Home Team in CAPS)

Sept. 2	UC Santa Barbara 7, Pepperdine 6 (UCSD Invite-Championship)
	UC Santa Barbara 10, UC SAN DIEGO 8 (UCSD Invite)
	Pepperdine 10, Loyola Marymount 4 (UCSD Invite)
	California 20, St. Francis 6 (Navy Tourney)
	California 23, Johns Hopkins 3 (Navy Tourney)
	Pacific 17, George Washington 15 (Navy Tourney)
	Pacific 11, Johns Hopkins 10 (Navy Tourney)
Sept. 1	California 11, Bucknell 7 (Navy Tourney)
	California 12, NAVY 7 (Navy Tourney)
	Bucknell 10, Pacific 5 (Navy Tourney)
	NAVY 13, Pacific 12 (OT) (Navy Tourney)
	UC Santa Barbara 19, Pomona-Pitzer 4 (UCSD Invite)
	UC Santa Barbara 11, Air Force 5 (UCSD Invite)
	Pepperdine 13, UC Davis 6 (UCSD Invite)
	Pepperdine 16, Cal Baptist 9 (UCSD Invite)

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2007 MPSF MIKASA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Week	Student-Athlete	School
Sept. 4	Miles Price	UC Santa Barbara
Sept. 4	Michael Sharf	California

MPSF WATER POLO ON THE WEB

Midweek sports updates are available on the MPSF website at www.mpsports.org.

2007 MPSF MEN'S WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIP

Nov. 23 - 25 at Berkeley, CA

The MPSF Championship will be determined by an eight-team postseason tournament at the University of California, Berkeley. MPSF teams will be seeded on the basis of their finish in conference round-robin play.

2007 MPSF PRESEASON

COACHES' POLL

Rank/School	Points	2006 Team Record
1. USC	59 (5)	26-2 (8-0/2 nd)
2. California	53 (2)	31-4 (6-2/1st)
3. UCLA	47 (1)	17-6 (6-2/3rd)
4. UC Irvine	45 (1)	10-21 (2-6/8th)
5. Stanford	41	17-9 (5-3/4th)
6. Pepperdine	34	13-17(2-6/9 th)
7. UC Santa Barbara	20	21-14 (3-5/5 th)
8. Long Beach State	14	11-17 (2-6/7 th)
9. Pacific	11	16-17 (2-6/6 th)

NCAA MEN'S WATER POLO 39TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP



December 1 & 2, 2007 at Stanford University
Avery Aquatic Center, Palo Alto, CA