



# 2018 BIG WEST CROSS COUNTRY

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### Big West At A Glance

This weekend in the cross country schedule is a busy one as eight clubs are slated to hit the start gates. Two schools will host meets over the busy weekend as the countdown to the Big West Championships hits the six week mark.

Starting up in the Central Coast, UC Santa Barbara welcomes rival Cal Poly and Cal State Fullerton for the UCSB Lagoon Open. What was traditionally a dual between the Gauchos and Mustangs is now a tri-meet with the Titans, setting up a showdown between the three teams that finished in the top three of both races at the 2017 Big West Championship. The trio will compete in a women's 5K and a men's 8K around the UCSB campus.

A competitive field of athletes will descend on the Inland Empire this weekend as UC Riverside hosts the 38th annual UC Riverside Invitational at the Ag/Ops Course.

The meet, which attracts some of the top clubs in the region and country, will have a Big West flair to it as the Highlanders welcome conference rivals CSUN, Long Beach State, UC Irvine and Hawai'i among the competing clubs. The men will run an 8K while the women will compete in a 6K event. A year ago nearly 1,200 competitors from 72 universities, colleges and clubs competed in the event.

### AROUND THE BIG WEST

- Cal State Fullerton returns to the spotlight this year as the Titans will host the Big West Championship. This marks the first time CSF has hosted the league meet since 1997 and for the fourth time overall. The conference showdowns will take place at Carbon Canyon Park in Brea on October 27 with the men's 8K slated for 8:45am and the women's 6K commencing at 9:30pm.

- The preseason regional rankings have two clubs appearing on the list, both on the men's side. Defending champion Cal Poly checks in at 10th with rival UC Santa Barbara a few spots behind in 13th.

### BIG WEST CELEBRATING 50/35

The 2018-19 season marks the 50th anniversary for men's sports in the Big West Conference, and the 35th for women's. All season long, the Big West Conference will celebrate the history of all conference sports. Join us as we pay homage to the student-athletes, coaches, staffs, communities and fans who have helped pave the way.

- Cal Poly won its first men's team title in 1998, kicking off a dynasty which saw the Mustangs win the team crown 15 times over the next 20 years. Interestingly enough, CP did not win the individual title in its first championship run. The club picked up its first individual champion a year later as Chris Boothe won the first of back-to-back titles.

- 2003 marked a change in the women's championship format as athletes competed in a 6K race for the first time. UC Santa Barbara won the team title in the expanded race, claiming the title with an impressive 27 points. The first four finishers were all UCSB athletes led by former great Stephanie Rothstein.

- In 2008, UC Riverside won its first Big West women's cross country title with a narrow win over UC Irvine. The homesteading Highlanders were led by Cristina Olivas (3rd) and Barbara Martinez (4th), who were highest finishing pair of teammates in the 6K event.

### Big West Athletes Of The Week

MEN				WOMEN			
Date	Athlete	School	Year	Date	Athlete	School	Year
9/3	Nick Randazzo	UCSB	So.	9/3	Miranda Daschian	CP	Jr.
9/17				9/17			
9/24				9/24			
10/1				10/1			
10/15				10/15			
10/22				10/22			

### USTFCCCA - West Region

(Week 1)

Men	Women
1. Portland	1. Stanford
2. Stanford	2. Oregon
3. Oregon	3. Boise State
4. Washington State	4. Washington
5. UCLA	5. California
6. Boise State	6. Portland
7. Washington	7. San Francisco
8. San Francisco	8. San Jose State
9. Gonzaga	9. Washington State
<b>10. Cal Poly</b>	10. Oregon State
11. San Jose State	11. Arizona
12. California	12. Idaho
<b>13. UC Santa Barbara</b>	<b>13. Cal Poly</b>
14. Idaho	14. Cal Baptist
15. Loyola Marymount	15. Sacramento State

## Big West Conference Cross Country

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### 2018 Big West Cross Country Composite Schedule (as of 8/8/18)

#### Saturday, September 1

**Cal Poly** at Mark Covert Classic (Brea, Calif.)  
**Cal State Fullerton** at Mark Covert Classic (Brea, Calif.)  
**CSUN** at Mark Covert Classic (Brea, Calif.)  
**Long Beach State** at Mark Covert Classic (Brea, Calif.)  
**UC Davis** at Mark Covert Classic (Brea, Calif.)  
**UC Irvine** at Mark Covert Classic (Brea, Calif.)  
**UC Riverside** at Mark Covert Classic (Brea, Calif.)  
**UC Santa Barbara** at Mark Covert Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)  
**Hawai'i** at Big Wave Invitational (Kahuku, O'ahu)

#### Saturday, September 15

**Cal Poly** at UCSB Lagoon Open (Goleta, Calif.)  
**Cal State Fullerton** at UCSB Lagoon Open (Goleta, Calif.)  
**CSUN** at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**Long Beach State** at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**UC Irvine** at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**UC Riverside** at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**UC Santa Barbara** at UCSB Lagoon Open (Goleta, Calif.)  
**Hawai'i** at UC Riverside Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

#### Saturday, September 21

**UC Davis** at Bill Dellinger Invitational (Eugene, Ore.)

#### Friday, September 28

**Long Beach State** at Notre Dame Invitational (South Bend, Ind.)  
**UC Riverside** at Notre Dame Invitational (South Bend, Ind.)

#### Saturday, September 29

**Cal Poly** at Capitol Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)  
**Cal State Fullerton** at Roy Griak Invite (Santa Clarita, Calif.)  
**Cal Poly** at Capital Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)  
**CSUN** at Capital Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)  
**Long Beach State** at Capital Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)  
**UC Davis** at Capitol Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)  
**UC Riverside** at Capital Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)  
**UC Santa Barbara** at Stanford Invitational (Palo Alto, Calif.)  
**Hawai'i** at Capital Cross Challenge (Sacramento, Calif.)

#### Saturday, October 6

**Hawai'i** at Hawai'i Pacific Invitational (Kahukum O'ahu)

#### Saturday, October 13

**Cal Poly** at Wisconsin Pre-Nationals (Madison, Wis.)  
**Cal Poly** at Bronco Invitational (Santa Clara, Calif.)  
**Cal State Fullerton** at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**CSUN** at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)

**Long Beach State** at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**UC Davis** at Bronco Invitational (Santa Clara, Calif.)  
**UC Irvine** at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**UC Riverside** at Highlander Invitational (Riverside, Calif.)  
**UC Santa Barbara** at Bronco Invitational (Santa Clara, Calif.)  
**Hawai'i** at Bronco Invitational (Santa Clara, Calif.)

#### Friday, October 19

**Cal State Fullerton** at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)  
**Long Beach State** at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)  
**UC Riverside** at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)  
**UC Santa Barbara** at Titan Invitational (Fullerton, Calif.)

#### Saturday, October 20

**Hawai'i** at Chaminade Invitational (Honolulu, O'ahu)

#### Saturday, October 27

Big West Conference Championship (Brea, Calif.)

#### Saturday, November 3

**UC Davis** at Doc Adams Invitational (Davis, Calif.)

#### Friday, November 9

NCAA West Regional Championships (Sacramento, Calif.)

#### Saturday, November 17

NCAA Championships (Madison, Wis.)

