

# 2018 BIG WEST CROSS COUNTRY



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### Big West At A Glance

UC Davis will be the lone team in competition this weekend, returning after a three-week hiatus to compete in the Bill Dellinger Invitational.

Entering its 13th year of competition the Oregon-hosted event at the Springfield Country Club will consist of five clubs, all of which are West Coast. In addition to the Aggies and Ducks, Portland, Seattle and Nevada (women only) will compete in a women's 6K and men's 8K. Despite the small field, the competition will be fierce as Oregon and Portland have nationally-ranked squads.

The meet is named for former Oregon men's track and field coach Bill Dellinger, a two-time NCAA champion for the Ducks, and a three-time Olympian, who also helped coach Oregon to four NCAA cross country team championships and 12 top-three NCAA finishes from 1968-98.

### AROUND THE BIG WEST

• Last week the Lagoon Open featured some of the top clubs in the Big West as Cal Poly and Cal State Fullerton took on host UC Santa Barbara. The meet brought together the clubs that finished in the top three in both races of the 2017 Big West Championships.

On the men's side, defending Big West champion Cal Poly came away with the team title after a 33-point performance. Sophomore Jake Ritter led the way for the Mustangs with a third place finish, completing the 8K course in 25:02.5. UC Santa Barbara went 1-2 in individually in the men's race as sophomores Nick Randazzo (24:53.43) and Yousef Baddour (25:00.55) led the way on their home course. Cal State Fullerton also placed two in the top five as senior Sam Pimentel (25:06.25) and sophomore Jacob Smith (25:07.69) finished fourth and fifth, respectively. Ultimately it was the depth of Cal Poly that won the day as the team swept the sixth-ninth place finishes to claim the team title.

The women's race saw Cal State Fullerton come away with the team title with 34 points after all runners competed in the 5K event. All five Titan runners finished in the top 10 led by freshman Lucina Vincent's third place showing in 17:10.56. Junior Trinity Ruelas was right behind her teammate in fourth at 17:12.70. As they did with the men's race, Gauchos were 1-2 in the women's race as junior Katie Camarena (17:06.91) was followed by sophomore Astrid Rosvall (17:07.71). Cal Poly's top runner was sophomore Abigail Fisk in fifth at 17:17.56. Fish led a contingent of runners that finished fifth-seventh before CSF claimed the eighth-tenth spots.

• The 38th annual UCR Invitational was also held last weekend, a competition that boasted 75 teams and nearly 900 athletes in competition.

The women's race saw UC Irvine post the top finish by a Big West team, a sixth place showing in the 22-team field. Freshman Hannah Chau was the top finisher for the 'Eaters, crossing the line in 20:59.2 over the 6K course. She was also the highest Big West finisher among the league teams in competition.

The men's 8K race had homestanding UC Riverside finish as the top Big West team, putting up an 8th place showing in a competitive 22 team jaunt. UCR was led by freshman Antonio Carbajal in 26th place with time of 25:00.5. The top Big West finisher came from CSUN in senior Michael Merchan. He crossed the finish line in 24:32.7 which was 12th in the 172-athlete race. He was one of two Big West athletes to finish in the top 20 as Long Beach State senior Trevor Stangle finished in 18th at 24:47.9.

• The updated regional rankings have a Central Coast representation for the Big West as Cal Poly and UC Santa Barbara appear on the lists. The Mustangs have the 12th ranked men and 13th ranked women, while UCSB checks in at 14th on the men's side.

### 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.

• Last week UC Davis celebrated Stump Day, a day of remembrance for former UCD runner Sarah Sumpter who passed away in 2015. Sumpter won the 6K title at the Big West Championship in 2009 and finished in second in the event in 2011 and 2012. Her performance in 2011 led the Aggies to their first Big West title, and she was also honored as the Big West Female Athlete of the Year in 2009.

• In 2011, Long Beach State's Rosa Del Toro reached a pinnacle no runner had achieved in school history. That year, Del Toro became the first women's LBSU runner to claim the individual crown at the Big West Championship. A week later, she also was named Big West Female Athlete of the Year, the first Beach women's athlete to claim the honor in program history.

### 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	Michael Merchan	CSUN	Sr.	9/17	Katie Camarena	UCSB	Jr.
	Nick Randazzo	UCSB	So.	9/24			
9/24				10/1			
10/1				10/15			
10/15				10/22			
10/22							

### USTFCCCA - West Region

(Week 2)

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. Gonzaga	8. San Jose State
9. California	9. Washington State
10. San Francisco	10. Oregon State
11. Santa Clara	11. Arizona
<b>12. Cal Poly</b>	12. Idaho
13. San Jose State	<b>13. Cal Poly</b>
<b>14. UC Santa Barbara</b>	14. Cal Baptist
15. Idaho	15. Portland 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.)

