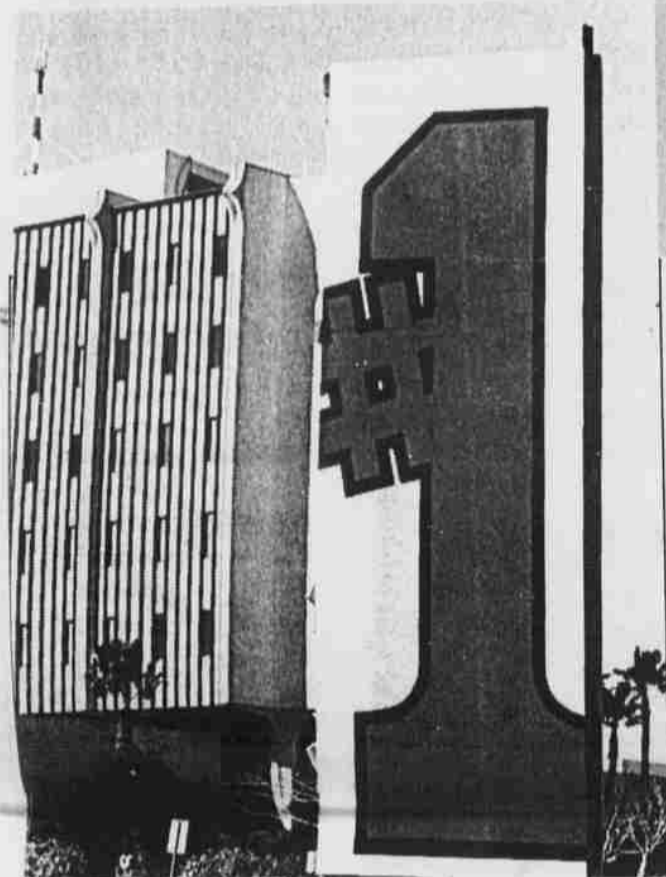


# REBEL SPORTS

## Runnin' Rebels

# Gauchos defeat Rebels for second time



NOW YOU SEE IT...



NOW YOU DON'T — a sign proclaiming a Rebel victory is a little premature. Rebel photo

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Carrick DeHart and a cold shooting spell combined to stop the Rebels from reaching the number

one spot in the polls.

However, those are not the only two factors in the Rebel's 71-66 defeat to Santa Barbara, Saturday. For most of the game, with the exception of the last

five minutes of the first half, the Gaucho's executed their game plan to perfection.

"Santa Barbara just played another good game, we have no excuse," UNLV coach Jerry Tarkanian said. "They deserved to win."

The Gauchos took the game to the Rebels for much of the first half. Controlling the tempo and forcing a slow pace.

But, UCSB almost lost total control in the final five minutes of the half as the game turned fast.

The Rebels, trailing 25-22, went on a 15-3 run including the final nine points of the half to take a 37-28 lead into halftime.

"We played an excellent 14 to 15 minutes then then we hurried our offense," UCSB coach Jerry Pimm said, "We

weren't being patient."

The second half coached like the Rebs were going to turn it on, but after the first basket of the half, UCSB hit four three pointers to the score at 45.

After two free throws by Gerald Paddio, DeHart scored eight points in 50 seconds to put UCSB up in the lead for good at 53-47.

The Rebels climbed to within two points to 56-54 on a basket by Jarvis Basnight at 9:27 left in the second half. The next Rebel basket came almost six minutes later.

In that six minutes the Rebels lost Paddio to foul trouble with five minutes left to play.

Neither team displayed much in the way of scoring during this period. With 3:50 left to play UCSB only held a six

point lead.

The Rebels closed to 69-66 with a last gasp effort by Clint Rossum, but could not reduce the Gaucho's lead any further.

With the win, The

Gauchos become only the second PCA team to defeat the Rebels twice in the regular season, (Irvine did in '85-'86) and only the third team to defeat UNLV twice in a year.

# Rebel swimmers coast to victory

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The men's and women's Rebel swimmers "coasted" to an easy defeat of U.C.Irvine at home Saturday despite swimming unrested in preparation for the PCAA Championships Feb. 25-27 at Long Beach.

Coach Jim Reitz confident of his team's "true grit" held at 7am 5,000 yd. practice, down-played the home meet, and sat back to watch his swimmers take 21 first place finishes and 12 first-second finishes in 26 events.

The final dual meet of the season was also the final home meet for champion Rebel swimmers Georgiana Boyd, Sally

Fleisher, Tessi Grimmet, and Wendy Hoffman-Meyers, and Rhett Cheeping, Chris Harmon and Chris Magee for the men.

The Lady Rebels took first in every swimming event but one, destroying UCI 129-82 despite automatically losing 28 points to the one and three meter diving events, having no divers.

One-two-three punches in the 1000 yd. freestyle, 200 yd. butterfly and 200 yd. breaststroke featured Diana Palma, Natasha Shriner and Meldon Kenney in the 1000 yd.; Wendy Meyers, Diana Palma and Heather Troutt in the fly; and Sally Fleisher, Wendy Meyers and Denise Denison in the Breast.

Lisa Dean and Christine Spicer were first and second in the 200 yd. free; Georgiana Boyd, Laurie Fruciano and Tessie Grimmet were first, third and fourth in the 50 yd. free; and Denise Denison, Piper Hastings and Malia Hale had the same finish in the 200 yd. Individual Medley.

Fleisher and Spicer topped the 100 yd. free; Kenney, Hastings and Shriner were first, third and fourth in the 200 yd. back; and Amy Warrick battled to a third place finish, two and one-half seconds out of first in the 500 yd. free.

The men's team dominated UCI 141-74 winning 11 out of 14 events including both boards, first place honors

going to Alan Lagervall, UNLV's lone diver.

The highlight of an otherwise blowout meet was the come-from-behind victory in the 4 100 yd. free relay team of Bjorn Lindstrom, Bart Pippinger, Jim Bodine, and anchor Tripp Howell with splits of 48.69, 47.72, 45.99 and 49.11.

Freshman Doug Beaudry won the 1000 yd. free with Chuck Hanson second and Chris Harmon fourth; Jim Bodine, Rhett Cheeping and Bart Pippinger were first, third and fourth in the 200 yd. free; Tripp Howell, Scott Coleman and Chuck Hanson were first, second and fourth in the 50 yd. free while Chris Magee and Pete Axas were first and

second with Beaudry and Ron Aiken fourth and fifth in the 200 yd. I.M.

Bart Pippinger left the competition behind in the 200 yd. Butterfly, his closest rival being teammate Cheeping taking second.

Jim Bodine and Tripp Howell powered to first and second place victories in the 100 yds. free as did Lindstrom and Magee in the 200 yd. back.

The distance and stroke swimmers have their last week of morning workouts, the sprinters starting the taper-to-Conference first.

Coach Reitz is not concerned with the dual meet record. In his understated manner he is mentally

creeping toward the edge of his seat when he talks about the extraordinary unrested times his team has swam.

"This is the hardest I have ever worked a team," said Reitz, "and the hardest working team I have coached. That is why we have the best chance we have ever had of winning Conference.

"Our focus all season has been on Conference. Santa Barbara kicked our butts (in a dual meet) but we swam tired. Come Conference it will be our depth, the 4th and 5th swimmers and our only diver which must come through to win the meet and beat UCSB in points."