

UNLV Football Matchup UNLV vs. University of Oregon St.

Who: UNLV vs. Oregon State
Where: Parker Stadium, Corvallis, Ore.
When: Saturday, September 15, 6 p.m., PDT
Records: UNLV: 0-2, Oregon State: 0-2
Last Meeting: 1983, UNLV won, 35-21 at Oregon State
Media: Game can be heard on KDWN-720 AM

Offense

UNLV
There is no doubt that when the Rebels have the football, quarterback Derek Stott will be looking in the direction of wide receiver Keenan McCardell.
The Stott-McCardell combination has hooked up for 210 yards on 11 receptions this season, a 19.1 yard average.
Multi-purpose Rebel RB-QB Hunkie Cooper is also sure to have his hands on the pigskin often this Saturday, as he has accounted for 318 all-purpose yards in only two games.
The Rebel rushing attack hopes to see the return of injured running back Teddy James. Marvin Eastman showed some flashes last week against

Houston, rushing for 54 yards on 11 carries, a 4.9 yards/carry average.

Oregon State
The Beaver offense is led by quarterback Matt Booher, an honorable mention All-Pac-10 selection last year.
Booher's favorite target is wide receiver Maurice Wilson, who was named to the Sporting News Freshman All-America squad last year.
The Beaver ground game will feature tailback Reggie Pitchford and fullback James Jones. Pitchford averaged 6.9 yards per carry in Oregon State's first game, and Jones led the team in rushing with a 4.9 yard per carry average against Kansas last weekend.

Defense

UNLV
The UNLV defense is somewhat of an enigma, being blown out in the first half of both games so far this year, only to look like a team of All-Americans in the second half.
The Rebels secondary was burned for 426 yards passing by the potent Houston run and shoot last week, but showed marked improvement when they switched to a zone defense in the second half. Carlton Johnson is the unit's standout, with an interception, a fumble recovery, and 13 tackles, 11 of them unassisted. Rebel linebackers are a strong point, led by Jody Reinohl and Joe Zacharia. The two have combined for 20 tackles in the two games this season.
UNLV's pass rush has only registered two sacks so far this season.

Oregon State
The Beavers' defensive anchor is nose tackle Esera Tualo. Tualo was named the Pac-10's Morris Trophy Winner last year, and was an Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award candidate. What this means is that Tualo is one of the best defensive linemen in the nation.
Oregon State's secondary and linebackers can be exploited; they gave up 22 points against Montana, a Division I-AA school, two weeks ago, and 38, including 31 unanswered, against lowly-regarded Kansas last week.
The Rebels should be able to pass freely against the Beaver defense.

Overall

The Rebels go on the road in search of their first win of the season against a team that has lost six straight games, including their last two at home. UNLV has a streak of its own going as well, having lost five consecutive games, and their last six on the road.
Coach Strong has a good chance to pick up his first win as Rebel head coach this weekend, as the Beavers have been woeful in two contests against weak opponents while the Rebels have made respectable showings against Gateway Conference Champion Southwest Missouri St. and 24th ranked Houston.
The Rebels have taken great strides in both games this season, playing exceptional second half football following sub-par first half performances.
The Rebel passing attack should enjoy a banner day against the Beavers, with UNLV's strong offensive line neutralizing Oregon State's injury hobbled star nose tackle.
If the Rebels can put two good halves together back to back, rather than alternating them, they will bring home their first victory of the season.

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Rebel soccer team wins Coors Invitational

By Billy Naftaly
Staff Reporter

An excited, near capacity crowd came out to Peter Johann Memorial Field on Saturday evening to watch the #14 ranked Rebels snatch a hard fought 3-2 victory from the #20 ranked San Diego State Aztecs in UNLV's second match of the sixth annual Coors Invitational.
UNLV's attack was propelled by senior, all-American forward Doug Borgel, who scored two goals to lead the Rebels to victory. Borgel's two goals lift his total to three for the season.
Borgel's first goal came at

12:05 of the first half on a leftwing cross from sophomore midfielder Daniel Barber. The Rebel's second tally of the half came at 26:42, when freshman forward Ben Ericson scored unassisted.
"We did pretty good on offense, but there were some mistakes by the young guys on defense. Overall, it was a good win for us," said Borgel.
The second half resumed with San Diego striking first, when sophomore midfielder Andy Morrone scored on a breakthrough. The Rebels countered with Borgel's second goal of the evening at 65:31 unassisted.
Freshman midfielder Jevin

Albuquerque of San Diego State, scored to pull the Aztecs to within one, but the young Rebel defense held on to preserve the victory.
"We're in good shape and tonight proved it, although I was concerned with the quick pace. We had to give them the ball sometimes to conserve energy. It was a good weekend for us," exclaimed Rebel coach Barry Barto.
Due to the victory and a tie in Friday's match against the University of San Diego, the Rebels finished 2nd in the Coors Invitational, and extended their season record to 2-0-2.

UNLV soccer ties first match in Invitational

By John Keating
Staff Reporter

The UNLV soccer team played to a 1-1 overtime tie with the University of San Diego in the first match of the Coors Invitational, Friday night at Peter Johann Memorial Field.
San Diego's offense got off to a fast start, quickly taking several shots on goal in the first ten minutes of play.
UNLV responded with good defense, however, and held the Toreros scoreless until 29:56 minute mark of the first half.
With the ball near the Rebel's goal, a missed UNLV pass was received by San Diego midfielder Leo Ronces. Ronces went one-on-one with UNLV goalkeeper Dan Schell, and put a shot into the right hand corner of the net, past Schell's outstretched arms, to give the Toreros a 1-0 lead.
The Rebels made a run at

evening the score before the half when Daryn Ditmore took a shot from just outside the Toreros goal box. The San Diego goalkeeper made an outstanding save, knocking the ball over the post with his arm, to end the threat.
The Rebel offense came on strong again to start the second half, as they immediately pressured the Toreros defense.
UNLV came up empty again on their next attempt to even the score. The San Diego goalkeeper made another outstanding save; this time the shot was taken by Rebel forward, Ben Ericson.
The Rebels finally broke through, however, at the 55:40 mark of the match when Senior All-American Doug Borgel blasted a penalty kick into the net to even the score at 1-1.
The Toreros had been flagrantly fouling the Rebels all night. Borgel even received a yellow card in the first half for be-

rating the officials about it. The men in stripes finally penalized San Diego and award the penalty kick that knotted the score for good.
The tie almost eluded the Rebels late in the game, as an outstanding defensive play by Danny Barber was necessary to turn away one of several Torero threats.
The Rebels had some opportunities of their own to win, as well. The best opportunity was when midfielder Cliff Odle took a line drive shot just inside the goal box. The ball bounced off two San Diego defenders, ultimately missing the net by only a few inches.
The 1-1 tie still left the Rebels in position to win the Coors Invitational; depending upon their performance Saturday night against San Diego State University.

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