

# UNLV Rodeo Team ends fall schedule



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Bull riding - Only the tough need apply as Tuff Hedeman from Bowie, TX proves. He scored an 82 on this ride Friday.

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Reporter

The National Finals Rodeo isn't the only show in town. The UNLV rodeo team has just ended their fall schedule.

The team is a member of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association, Grand Canyon Region. The region consists of three Arizona universities, two New Mexico universities and five community colleges.

The team was constructed in 1986, by Lynn Ruegamer. Every year with the exception of 1989, the team has placed and sent a member to the National College Rodeo Finals.

Ruegamer said, "We are real competitive."

Each rodeo can have as many as 220 contestants.

The team consists of seven members, three men and four women. The women's team is cur-

rently leading the region after the completion of the fall schedule.

Tammy Norcutt, a senior, has been with the team for all of her four years at UNLV. Norcutt is currently fifth overall in the women's standings.

Joining the team this year are two transfer students from Lawson Community College. Both are juniors, Michele Munos is sixth in the standings, while Sonja Cosse is leading the team in third place after the completion of the fall schedule.

Also joining the team this year is freshman Brandy Price. Price is a three-year National High School Rodeo qualifier.

The men's team has three new members this year. Travis Poc is a transfer from New Mexico State University, while teammate Scott Jamison is a transfer student from Hartell Community College.

"Scott is pretty outstanding,"

exclaimed Ruegamer, Jamison is currently leading the region in Bareback Riding.

The final newcomer to the team is Frank Baptise. Baptise has qualified for the National High School Rodeo the past four years.

Academics for these team members are very strict. A minimum of 12 credits and maintenance of a "C" average during the semester is required of members. Before each rodeo the team members are evaluated and if a member should have less than a "C" average in any class, they are ruled ineligible for that rodeo. If at any time a member should drop below 12 credits, he or she is unable to compete during that semester as well as the following semester. Academics are stressed for the team members.

UNLV will host its rodeo on next Feb. 2 and 3, at Horseman's Park, (behind Sam's Town).

## UNLV basketball schedules Dec. 15 - Jan. 21

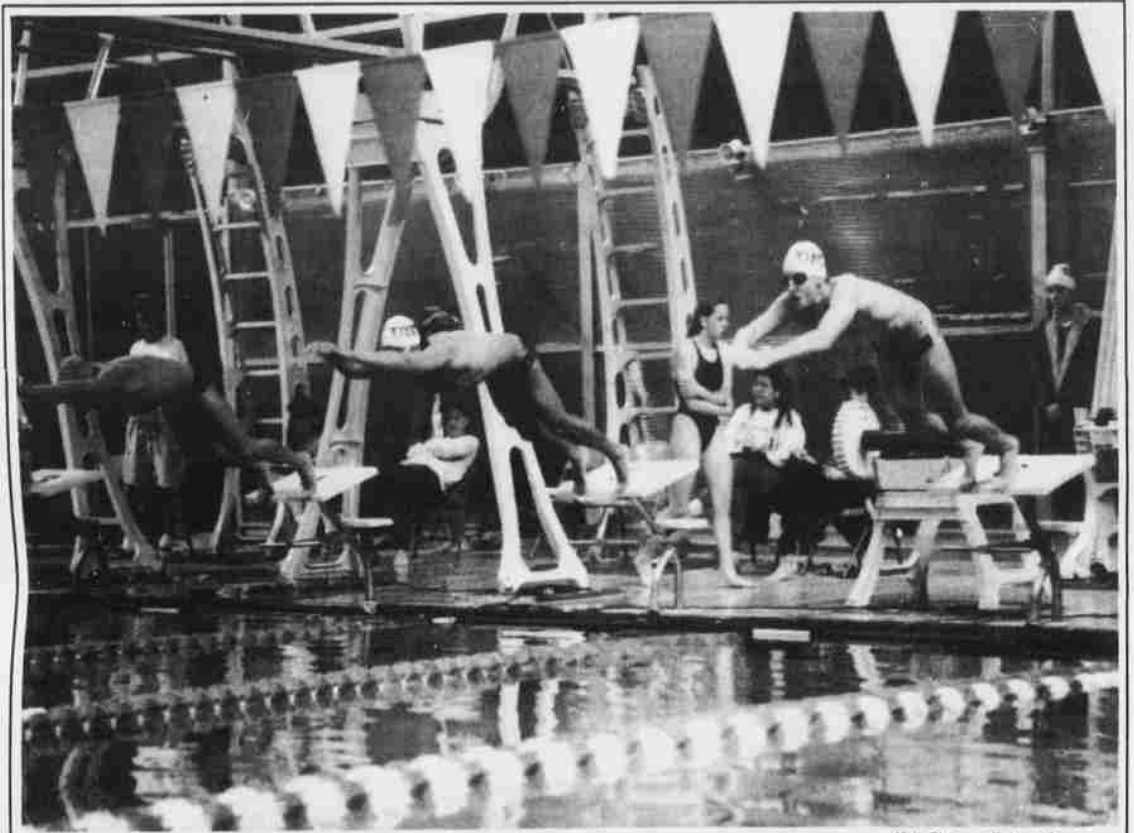
**Men**

Dec. 15 vs. Michigan St., at Detroit  
Dec. 19 vs. Princeton  
Dec. 22 vs. Florida State  
Jan. 2 vs. James Madison  
Jan. 4 vs. Cal State Fullerton  
Jan. 7 vs. San Jose State  
Jan. 9 vs. Utah State  
Jan. 12 at Fresno State  
Jan. 14 at Pacific  
Jan. 17 at UC Irvine  
Jan. 19 vs. Long Beach State  
Jan. 21 at UC Santa Barbara

**Women**

Dec. 17 vs. Louisiana Tech  
Dec. 20 vs. Detroit \*  
Dec. 21 second round \*  
Dec. 27 at N. Arizona  
Dec. 29 at San Diego  
Jan. 2 at Pacific  
Jan. 4 at Fresno State  
Jan. 9 vs. San Jose State  
Jan. 12 at Long Beach State  
Jan. 14 at New Mexico State  
Jan. 16 at Texas  
Jan. 19 at Cal State Fullerton

\* O'Douls in the Desert (UNLV vs. Detroit, SMU vs. Va. Commonwealth)  
Home games in bold.



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On your mark, ready, set, go - L to R, Bart Pippenger (Rebel Swim Association), Sal Castro and Doug Swan (UNLV) in the mens 100 yard, butterfly.

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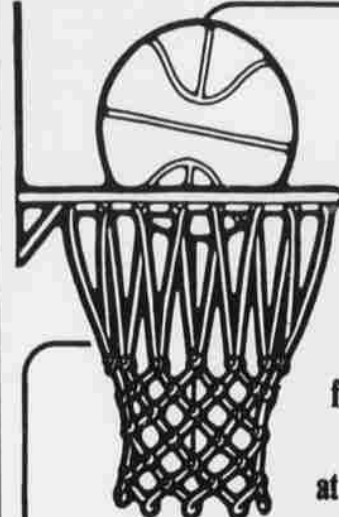


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