

A Transfer of POWER

Jeremy Buettner

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Nothing at Santa Clara this year has stirred up what excitement soccer sensation Jeremy Buettner has.

However, Buettner (pronounced BEAUT-ner), a sophomore transfer who plays forward on the Santa Clara men's soccer team, would probably think of himself otherwise. He merely tries to do what almost every athlete attempts: to be quick to the punch and ready to kill. Although many of his teammates, coaches and peers love to rave about his accomplishments, Buettner prefers to stay low-key and establish a modest profile. But with 11 total goals for the season, Buettner can't help but step in the spotlight.

Early spotlight

That chance in the spotlight all began when a five-year-old Buettner scampered onto the lush fields of the pee-wee soccer league. Coached by his father during his formative years, Buettner continued to play soccer until eighth grade, when he finally chose soccer over another rival sport—basketball. With reserved encouragement from the rest of his family, Buettner brought his soccer talents to Prospect High School in San Jose. From then on, there was no turning back.

Prospect's college prospect
Selected three times during his high school career to the Olympic Development Program, Buettner gathered more playing experience on the Far West Regional Team. Buettner's soccer career flourished from there. Scoring 25 goals and adding 13 assists in his senior year, Buettner finally led Prospect High to a Central Coast Section title in 1992.

After graduating from Prospect in 1992, Buettner enrolled as a freshman at Fresno State University where he was third on the team in scoring. Citing a "clash of personalities" with the head coach, Buettner departed from FSU after only half a semester and transferred to De Anza College in Cupertino.

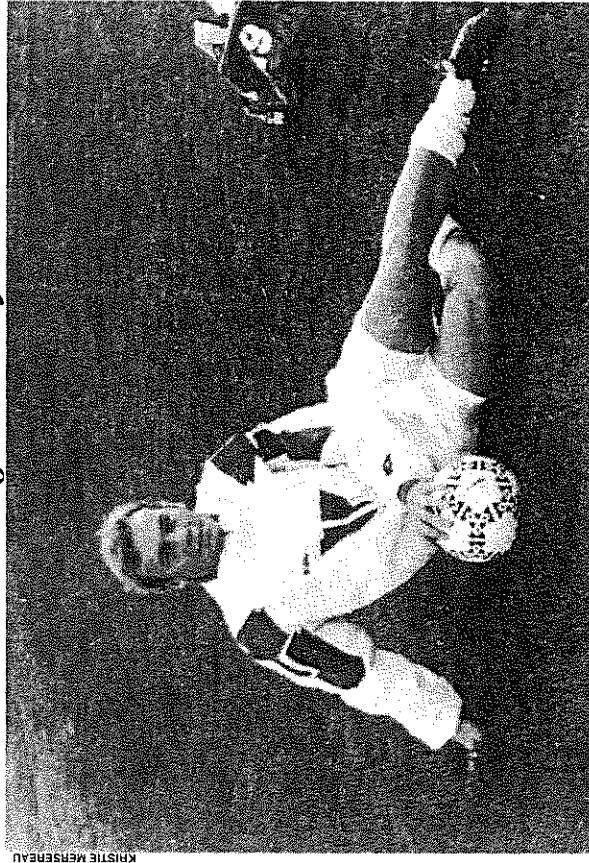
"My coach tried to make me into something I didn't think I was. I just packed up and left." At De Anza the next year, he decided not to play soccer and "waste his [NCAA] eligibility."

Belgium blues

The sky in 1993 definitely looked bigger and brighter for Buettner. In May 1993, he decided to indulge in a little European professional club soccer action.

"I went to Belgium for a first division team. It was fun—they flew me out and it was a good experience. I played one game with the reserve team, and I didn't make it. It's really hard because there's only three foreigners on the team and they were just going to take the Belgians. They could choose any three players in the world, and they were all pretty competitive. They said to me, 'you're good, but you're not as good as our foreign players.' But it was still a good experience and a good reality check."

Suffering from a torn quadriceps in September 1993, Buettner underwent a string of rehab sessions, leaving the junior longing for the touch of the ball and the dampness of the soccer green. The fire was still burning. Buettner finally found his niche at Santa Clara. "I knew the [SCU] coaches from before, and in the back of my mind, I wanted to come to SCU. I pushed really hard,



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picked up the grades and got and hyper. He's a real confidence builder. If he causes a little bit of confidence for himself, he causes some for the team."

'Old rookie'

Calling himself an "old rookie," Buettner should more appropriately be named the "experienced rookie." It seems he has adjusted to the style and character of the team in only a limited amount of time. Mike Lynch, junior forward and fellow "front runner," says that he and Buettner really "know each other's instincts and play into each other's style."

"He's quick, aware and has finesse. He's motivational, intense

adds that Jeremy "does what it takes to get it done. He brings fire to the team and finds a way to get under your skin. He's vulnerable and competitive, and he hates to lose."

It looks like Buettner will continue to take advantage of every opportunity. "Soccer runs my life," Buettner says. "But I want to see how far it takes me. I want to set money aside for graduate school or medical school. My goal is to play for my country one day, either on the Olympic team in '96 or later on down the road. The bottom line is that you gotta have fun out there."

Head Coach Mitch Murray says this of Buettner's strong assets: "If you're looking at the qualities of what a front runner does, Jeremy does a very good job of showing to the ball, allowing us to play into speed, and is strong at holding off other players. His real strength is to use Lynch and Jeremy compliment each other very well."

Peter Zaratin, senior goalkeeper,

Men's soccer left out



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COMING IN FOR A LANDING—Junior Mike Lynch (in air) soars to take possession of a free-ball in last Thursday's muddy 3-0 victory over Sonoma State. Despite the win, the men's team was denied a bid for the NCAA Tournament.

By **GREGG PARKER**

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The waiting is over. And now, so is the season for the Santa Clara men's soccer team. The NCAA Tournament selection committee lowered the axe on the Broncos by leaving the team out of the 32-team field. Santa Clara appeared to have all of the qualifications for admission: a grueling conference co-championship and a 12-5-2 overall record.

The end of the end

A late-season skid by the Broncos, however, saw the team go 4-3-1 to finish the season. The losses to Cal Poly SLO and San Jose State hurt the Broncos the most.

"Those teams aren't high-caliber teams in the country," senior

midfielder Chris Afarian said. "Victories in those games would have pushed us over the edge." Afarian ignited the offense in Santa Clara's final game of the season against Sonoma State. The senior scored two goals in a 3-0 Bronco victory. Junior defenseman Derick Brownell added two assists in the season's close-out.

Accepting the decision

The announcement by the selection committee did not come as a shock to the older players on the team.

"Deep down inside I kind of had a feeling we weren't going to make it," senior goalkeeper Pete Zaratín said. "We all knew we were on the bubble when we lost to San Jose State. We were gonna need a

little bit of luck." The players accepted their sentence without protest.

"It wasn't like we were storming mad," Afarian said. "It wasn't some great injustice that we weren't picked."

What might have been

It could be argued that Santa Clara was a team deserving to be in the tournament.

"At times we were average," Zaratín said. "But when push came to shove, we could have done it come playoffs."

The talent and chemistry of the team made that a possibility.

"This team had the ability to be in the tournament," Afarian said. "It's one of those things where you never knew which team was going to show up."

Spartans, Broncos left on sideline

Santa Clara and San Jose State were bypassed for berths in the NCAA men's soccer tournament Monday, which caused much disappointment at both schools.

Santa Clara finished tied for first with USF in the West Coast Conference with a 5-0-1 record but lost out to the Dons on a tie-breaker based on goal differential against conference opponents. Fresno State hosts USF in an opening-round game Sunday.

"We're very disappointed, because we are an NCAA-caliber team," Santa Clara Coach **Mitch Murray** said of his 12-5-2 team. "Unfortunately, we let a couple of games get away from us. Now



Murray

we have to wait until next year to prove it."

San Jose State finished fourth in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Mountain Division. The Spartans beat USF and Santa Clara in non-league games but lost by one goal to Fresno State, Washington and Cal in the conference.

CAL DUO TRIUMPHANT: Senior **Keirsten Alley** and junior **Pam Nelson**, the Cal doubles tennis team ranked No. 1 in the nation, won the Northwest Regional at St. Mary's on Monday, bouncing back from a crushing upset defeat suffered last month.

The triumph earned the pair an automatic berth in the NCAA Indoors in February, the third leg of the college grand slam. Alley and Nelson disposed of the Stanford team of junior **Kim Shasby** and sophomore **Katie Schlukebir** 6-2, 6-2. Shasby and Schlukebir were seeded third in the tournament and are ranked eighth in the country.

Alley and Nelson had been quarterfinals upset victims at the hands of a pair from Georgia last month at the All-America tournament in Pacific Palisades, the second leg of the college grand slam.

"That was a real disappointment to them," said **Jean Marie Lozano**, Cal's assistant coach. "This win says a lot about them as a team. Coming back from a loss like that takes a lot of courage. I'm really proud, and I think they're going to blossom more as the season continues."

In the regional singles final, Stanford's **Ania Bleszynski** defeated Cal's **Jennifer Poulos** 7-6 (7-1), 6-3.

GIVING SOME BACK: A number of athletes at Santa Clara are reaching out to the community through a program called "Broncos Who Care."

Volunteers from the Santa Clara sports family have spread out to commit such good deeds as



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conducting Special Olympics soccer clinics, talking to grade school students about the dangers of drugs and getting kids to read outside class.

The latter program is called "Be a Part of the Reading Team," a slogan printed on bookmarks that have been distributed to area schools. The bookmarks can be used by children for free admission to selected men's and women's basketball games this season at Toso Pavilion.

More than 60 athletes took part this fall and more are expected to sign up once the basketball and baseball teams fill out sign-up sheets. Each Santa Clara team has its own project.

PLAYER HONORED: Stanford freshman **Lisa Sharpley**, a setter/outside hitter, has been named Pacific 10 Conference volleyball player of the week for her performances against Arizona State and Arizona.

All told, Sharpley, who is from Los Altos, collected 12 kills, 28 set assists, 19 digs and nine block assists in the two matches, both three-game sweeps by the nation's second-ranked team. Only Nebraska is ranked higher than the Cardinal (23-1).

THE BIG SPLASH: The No. 1-ranked Stanford water polo team meets Cal in the Big Splash before the Big Game on Saturday in Berkeley. The match takes place at 10:30 a.m., with a delayed ESPN2 telecast at 8:30 p.m. in that cable network's series "The Great College Rivalries."

The schools have been meeting since 1918, although records were kept loosely in what used to be an informal intercollegiate sport.

Stanford and Cal usually are among the best water polo teams in the country. They have won 25 league championships between them, 13 by Cal; have contributed 20 players to the Olympics, more than any other schools; and have won 18 NCAA championships, 11 by Cal. Stanford won the latest of its seven titles last year.

Stanford's only loss in 24 meetings this season came at the hands of Cal, setting up this rubber match. Cal is 19-8.

By virtue of winning the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation tournament last weekend in Long Beach, Stanford has drawn an automatic invitation to the NCAA tournament that begins Friday in Long Beach.

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Auggghh...not again!

SCU, Dons split WCC title second year in a row

■ 2-1 loss to SJS Sunday hurts, bad

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A tie score at the end of a game usually means that neither team won. And, it is also supposed to mean that neither team lost. That wasn't the case for the Santa Clara men's soccer team last Thursday night vs. San Francisco, however. The scoreless tie at the end of two overtime periods cost the Broncos their first-ever outright WCC title. **'Disappointing'**

"We planned on coming out and beating them all season long," junior defenseman Derick Brownell said. "To come out and tie...it was disappointing." Instead, Santa Clara and USF will share the conference championship for the second consecutive year.

Last season, Santa Clara and San



LIKE KISSING YOUR SISTER—Senior Bronco goalie Peter Zaratin preserves a 0-0 tie last Thursday at Buck Shaw Stadium against USF.

Francisco both went 4-1-1 in the conference and ended up co-champions. USF got the nod over Santa Clara in the fight for the conference's only automatic bid. The same happened again this

year. The NCAA tournament bid was there for the Dons to steal from the Broncos. And, in traditional USF fashion, it was

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All SCU men can do now is wait Santa Clara's chance for at-large berth hurt with 2-1 loss to SJS

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more than up for the challenge. San Francisco received its second straight automatic bid by virtue of a higher goal differential in conference play. Simply, USF was able to secure the bid because it won its conference games "more impressively" than Santa Clara. USF combined to outscore its opponents by a wider margin while keeping its opposition out of the nets.

At the right time

The Dons brought it all together at the right time to tear up the WCC. Santa Clara was the first school to blow through the conference, posting a flawless 5-0-0 record. That was before the "Swamp Thing" (appropriately named for USF's fluorescent socks) came down from the hill in San Francisco. The Dons mopped up after what Santa Clara had done to the conference, chalking up four conference wins without a loss or a tie.

History wins out...again

Santa Clara went up against history last Thursday night. Wins have been few and far between for the Broncos when going head to head with San Francisco. History proves it. Of the 37 times the two schools have met, only 10 times have the Broncos escaped with either a win or a tie.

The near-capacity crowd at Buck Shaw

witnessed a battle of the league's giants. It took a few minutes in the opening half for the Bronco engines to get started. "That's our style," junior defenseman Eric Fambrough said. "We allow the offensive team to come into our half and then rope them in." USF was able to get to the ball quicker and won most of the free balls. Santa Clara was forced to be on the defensive as San Francisco put on a lot of offensive pressure. USF senior forward Staale Soebye frustrated the Bronco midfield and defense, showcasing his ball control and passing skills throughout the struggle. "They (USF) were definitely a finesse team," Fambrough said. "They played it really well to the center and knocked it around to the outside well."

SCU's talented offensive tandem of junior forward Mike Lynch and sophomore forward Jeremy Buettner had trouble breaking loose against a stubborn San Francisco defense. "It seems like we can't score when we really need to," Brownell said. "Not scoring has plagued us in the big games."

The Bronco offense awoke from a first half slumber when junior midfielder Brian Boesiger caught the USF defense sleeping a bit themselves. Boesiger dribbled up the middle with the USF defense trailing and had Lynch open on his right. Before the

break could be completed, Boesiger was fouled outside the goalkeeper's box. The free kick couldn't penetrate the defensive wall and the scoring opportunity fizzled. Senior goalkeeper Pete Zaratin tried his best



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to keep the team up by calling out, "let's raise the level white" and "keep working it."

The offense was revived later by freshman Randy Allen. Allen came off the bench to reignite the Bronco shooting attack. Allen rifled a couple

bullets in the direction of the San Francisco nets but was unable to place any in. USF's Soebye answered with a rocket of his own. Soebye rattled a shot from deep that just skipped off the top of the crossbar. It was the story of the night for both teams—scoring opportunities that went unfinished. **An unsettled dispute**

The game came down to two overtime periods. The action remained fast and furious, but the scoreboard refused to change. The second overtime period was owned by the Dons. Soebye took over the USF offense single-handedly, being in on almost every scoring opportunity for his team. "They did come with some really

direct chances," Brownell said. "He (Soebye) can create something out of nothing."

Santa Clara's defense suffered a couple of breakdowns that almost gave the game away. A crossing pass in front of an open SCU net went untouched by the USF offense. Soebye had two possessions where he dribbled in, around and through the Bronco defense. The defense held its ground in the final minutes, bending but not folding. "The defense reacted to every threat we had," Brownell said. "They have such a quick counter, and you have to watch where the ball goes."

Unfriendly neighbors

The San Jose State soccer team had better apologize to the Santa Clara soccer team. The Spartans invited the Broncos over for a friendly, cross-town rivalry. SCU came back with a loss, a bruised ego and two soccer balls courtesy of SJSU's Jason Martinez. Martinez poured in both goals as the Spartans beat the Broncos, a 2-1 loss. That's no way to treat a neighbor. Lynch scored the Broncos only goal of the game with only 10 seconds left. "Losing this game to State, the team is questioning if it has what it takes to be a 'big gun,'" Brownell said.

San Jose State and SCU will both be looking for at-large bids in the NCAA tournament. Pairings are announced Sunday.

Golf event includes 30 top teams



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THIRTY of the top men's and women's golf teams will play in the 54-hole Palmetto Dunes Open this weekend in Hilton Head, S.C.

The top five men's teams and three of the top four women's teams will be competing.

Stanford's top-ranked men's team, featuring **Tiger Woods**, will tee off Friday along with 17 other squads. On the women's side, top-ranked Arizona State won't make the trip. But No. 2 San Jose State and No. 4 Stanford will be there.

Stanford's women are looking for a little redemption after collapsing in the Spartan Invitational at Fort Ord on Oct. 30. The Cardinal led going into the last round, when all five team members shot over 80.

"I think we have fully recovered from our last-round let-down in the San Jose State tournament," Cardinal Coach **Tim Baldwin** said Monday. "We've played nine competitive rounds and eight were obviously terrific. We've regrouped."

Those who follow college golf don't complain about the length of the pro basketball season or any other sport. College golfers go until the last week in May when the NCAA tournament is held. By that time, Woods will have played in the Masters one month earlier.

"This tournament at Hilton Head hopefully will be the culmination of a good fall," said Stanford men's coach **Wally Goodwin**. "This is one of the top two college tournaments, the NCAA, itself, being the other. A great field on a great course."

San Jose State women's coach **Mark Gale** said he wants to use this event to gain "our respectability back. Finishing fifth at our tournament was unbecoming to this program. I don't know if it was youth, being tired from a Japan trip we took before the tournament or me having to be the tournament director.

"We're planning on winning this tournament. With our talent, I see no reason why we can't win. Anything less will be a disappointment. This is our major tournament for the fall and we've been pointing toward it. I hope we're ready."

SCOREBOARD WATCHING: All eyes at Santa Clara will be on today's men's soccer matchup in San Francisco between USF and St. Mary's.

If St. Mary's can upset or tie the Dons, then Santa Clara would win the West Coast Con-

ference title outright for the first time and the automatic NCAA berth that goes with it. Santa Clara has shared the title four of the past six years.

St. Mary's is 8-7-1 and USF is 8-6-3, although the Dons have righted their ship and are unbeaten in the past six games with one tie.

If USF wins, then Santa Clara must wait until 3:30 p.m. Monday to find out whether the NCAA will make the Broncos one of 32 teams invited to the tournament.

Meanwhile, the NCAA regional women's soccer clash between Santa Clara and St. Mary's on Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Buck Shaw Stadium marks the first time these schools have met in an NCAA tournament of any kind.

That's unusual, because the two schools have been rivals for so long with the basketball series, as an example, going back to 1924.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:

Three women will be missing when Stanford plays host Thursday to Tungsram, a club team from Hungary, in an international basketball match.

The biggest absentee is **Rachel Hemmer**, the 6-foot-3 forward who is recovering from foot surgery. Also missing will be sophomore point guard **Jamila Wideman** with Achilles' tendinitis, and sophomore forward **Vanessa Nygaard**, who has a stress leg fracture.

Tungsram plays San Jose State on Friday at 5:30 p.m. at the Event Center. After the game, the Spartans women's volleyball team plays host to defending NCAA champion Long Beach State at 8.

CAL WATER POLO: You can't blame Cal for looking forward to the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation tournament Saturday and Sunday at the Belmont Plaza Olympic pool in Long Beach.

The Bears have won the first two of these tournaments, including last year when they were seeded fourth. They're seeded third this year behind No. 1 Stanford and No. 2 Southern Cal.

Cal has won 56 of 57 matches in the Belmont pool, losing only to USC there last year in the NCAA tournament.

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Spartans top Broncos 2-1

SJS (15-4) now awaits word on possible NCAA postseason berth

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If the San Jose State men's soccer team doesn't receive a bid to this season's NCAA tournament, the Spartans feel it would be an injustice.

SJS (15-4), which hasn't been to the NCAA tournament since 1976, made a good argument for a postseason invitation with a 2-1 non-conference win over Santa Clara (11-5-2) on a rainy Sunday night in front of 350 hardy fans at Spartan Stadium.

Freshman Jason Martinez gave the Spartans a 2-0 lead with goals in the 51st and 62nd minutes. Mike Lynch scored for the Broncos with 10 seconds remaining.

It was the Spartans' first win over the Broncos since a 1-0 victory in 1985.

Since then, the Broncos, who shared the NCAA title in 1989 and finished second in 1991, had won eight straight over the Spartans while outscoring them 30-4.

"San Jose State has an excellent team and certainly is deserving of a tournament bid," said Mitch Murray, who had been 3-0

against the Spartans since becoming the Broncos' coach in 1991. "They played very well tonight."

The 32-team tournament field will be announced Nov. 14.

"It would be a shame if we weren't selected, said SJS Coach Gary St. Clair. "All there is for us to do now is wait."

The Broncos, meanwhile, still have two chances to make the NCAA tournament field, either as the outright West Coast Conference champion or an at-large entry.

Santa Clara leads the WCC with a 5-0-1 record, but USF can tie the Broncos for the conference title with a win Tuesday at home against St. Mary's.

The Dons would then receive the automatic playoff bid that goes to the league champion by virtue of a better goal differential tie-breaker in WCC play. Santa Clara, which tied USF 0-0 at Buck Shaw Stadium on Thursday, is just 3-3-1 in its past seven games.

"I would hope for an at-large if USF wins Tuesday, of course," said Murray. "But it could be tough. There are a lot of other

teams who are in about the same position we are."

The Broncos have one more non-league game remaining, against Division II foe Sonoma State.

San Jose State, whose regular season is over, took control from the start Sunday, outshooting the Broncos 10-3 in the opening 45 minutes.

Santa Clara became more dangerous in the second half, but were frustrated by SJS freshman goalkeeper Brandon Main.

"Brandon has come through big-time for us this season," St. Clair said. "It's comforting to know you're going to have players like Jason and Brandon around for another three years."

Martinez, who also scored two goals in the 3-0 win over Stanford on Thursday, is one of the West's leading scorers with 13 goals.

"I wouldn't be having the year I'm having without having some good players around me," Martinez said. "We do have a good team, and we deserve to be in the playoffs."

The Spartans will find out next Monday. Stay tuned.

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SCU-USF game ends scoreless

Teams likely to share WCC soccer title again

BY DAVE PAYNE
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A scoreless tie against rival USF on Thursday night at Buck Shaw Stadium probably cost Santa Clara the West Coast Conference's automatic berth in the NCAA men's soccer tournament.

Still, the 17th-ranked Broncos (11-4-2, 5-0-1) are considered a strong contender for an at-large berth in the 32-team field.

While it was the final conference match for SCU, the Dons (8-6-3, 4-0-1) have one WCC game remaining at home Tuesday against St. Mary's.

A win over the Gaels, which is expected, would give the Dons their second straight co-championship with SCU, and the WCC's automatic NCAA playoff berth by virtue of a goal-differential advantage over the Broncos against conference opponents.

A USF loss or tie would give SCU the title and playoff bid.

Party about to begin

The NCAA tournament draw is Nov. 14, and the party begins the following weekend.

"This tie was frustrating for us in many ways," SCU Coach Mitch Murray said. "But, at the same time, I'm very proud of the way we played what may be the West's hottest team over the last three weeks.

"We're a relatively young team and we're fighting through some key injuries. We had some very strong performances tonight from freshmen like (midfielder) Jon Herbst and (defender) Jeff Prentice."

The moment of the match with the Broncos on attack involved Herbst, when he unloaded a 35-yard rocket that USF goalkeeper Scott Thompson tipped over the crossbar with a diving save in the 70th minute.

Close call

With a little more than five minutes remaining in regulation, USF senior All-American Staale Soebye of Sweden nearly scored when his long-range shot skipped over the crossbar.

"Both teams had their share of scoring chances," Murray said.

It was a spirited match. Referee Cesar Piña whistled 41 fouls and issued four yellow-card cautions. There were even some punches thrown during a brief incident late in the second overtime.

Santa Clara faces another major challenge Sunday when the Broncos visit Spartan Stadium to play San Jose State at 7:30 p.m. The Spartans, who defeated USF 3-1 early in the season, are ranked 25th and also are contending for an NCAA berth.

"San Jose State is legitimate," Murray said. "They're full of confidence, and they know a win over us will help their chances with the NCAA tournament committee."

ETC.: The No. 9-ranked SCU women (12-4-1) play their final regular-season match against Washington State at 7:30 tonight at Buck Shaw Stadium. . . . The 24-team field for the women's NCAA tournament and four regional tournament sites will be named Sunday evening by the NCAA women's soccer committee.

"If we tell ourselves to win a game, we can do it."

—Men's soccer player, junior, Mike Lynch



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It's win or go home for men

By GREGG PARKER

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There can be only one. At approximately 9:30 tonight, there will be only one. The 1994 season hangs in the balance for the SCU men's soccer team. The Broncos go up against conference rival San Francisco in a winner-take-all game. The WCC title is on the line for No. 17 Santa Clara. History always seems to repeat itself. Last season, the Broncos and the Dons each grabbed a share of the conference crown. This year, it comes down to one final game.

USF on a roll

USF (8-6-2, 4-0) is a team on a roll. The injury-ridden team at the beginning of the season has come on of late to win five straight, including four critical conference wins. USF lies a game back of the front-running Broncos. Both teams are undefeated in conference action.

SCU took on No. 7 Southern Methodist University and Tulsa this past weekend at the Admiral Classic in Dallas. The Broncos split the two matches, failing to host SMU

2-0 and then downing Tulsa 4-0. Santa Clara finished second in the four-team tournament behind SMU.

SMU wins by two

Two quick scores by SMU's Ivan Polic put the Broncos in the hole early. In the twelfth minute of play, Southern Methodist's Daniel Montoya was fouled in the goal box. The ensuing penalty kick was taken and driven home by Polic. Exactly one minute later, Polic struck again off a header in front of the net. Before Santa Clara knew what hit it, the game was decided.

"We went in with intentions of winning," junior forward Mike Lynch said. "The team's mentality wasn't there." SCU could not get on track the rest of the game and suffered its fourth loss of the season. Of the four losses this season for Santa Clara, three have come as a result of the Broncos being shutout.

SCU dumps Tulsa

Santa Clara got revenge for an early season exhibition loss to the Golden Hurricane. Back in early September, Tulsa defeated the

Broncos 3-2. It only took one half of play for the Broncos to get even.

"If we tell ourselves to win a game, we can do it," Lynch said. The Tulsa game was a much-needed win for Santa Clara after losing to SMU. Santa Clara got a jump start from sophomore forward Jeremy Buettner when he stole the ball from the Tulsa goalkeeper and scored from five yards out. It was all down hill from there. SCU went on to score three more times before the 23 minute mark. Lynch joined Buettner in the 10-goal club. Buettner and Lynch each scored a goal and added an assist in the victory. The other two goals came off the feet of junior midfielder Brian Boesiger and senior midfielder Chris Afarian.

"It adds a lot more depth and takes more



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The Scenario



The winner of the match between Santa Clara and USF tonight will earn the West Coast Conference's automatic berth in the NCAA Tournament. A tie between the two would complicate the picture somewhat. Here are the possibilities:

- **IF SANTA CLARA DEFEATS USF...**
... Santa Clara clinches both the WCC title and the automatic berth
- **IF USF DEFEATS SANTA CLARA...**
... USF clinches the automatic berth and at least a share of the WCC title
... Santa Clara will still earn a share of the WCC crown if USF loses to Saint Mary's on Nov. 8
- **IF USF AND SANTA CLARA TIE...**
... Santa Clara will win the WCC title and get the automatic berth if USF loses to or ties Saint Mary's on Nov. 8
... USF and Santa Clara will share the conference title with the Dons earning the automatic berth if USF defeats Saint Mary's on Nov. 8

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pressure off the two front-runners," Lynch said. "When these players step up and do even better, it allows us to open up the gaps." Boesiger chipped in on the scoring action with his second goal of the season. Afarian's score raised his season's goal output to three. Senior goalkeeper Pete Zaratina recorded his 20th career shutout and his fifth on the season in the blanking of Tulsa.

A photo finish

Down the stretch they come. The Dons and the Broncos play tonight for an automatic berth into the NCAA Tournament.

"We are going to try and get eight or nine guys working, instead of just four or five," Lynch said. "If that happens, we can go out and put 'em away."

USF is a team that is starting to live up to its preseason expectations. The Dons were ranked No. 12 at the start of the 1994

campaign and predicted to finish first in the WCC. The Broncos come into tonight's match with a No. 17 ranking and a first place hold on the WCC. The two teams have pulled away from the rest of the conference. The concern for the Broncos is two-fold. San Francisco is not only flying high with its recent success, it owns Santa Clara in the two schools' all-time meetings. USF holds a convincing 27-4-5 edge over the Broncos. Santa Clara's last win against San Francisco came in 1990. The two schools are rich in soccer history. USF has won four national championships ('66, '75, '76, '80) and SCU has won one ('89). It's down to the final stretch. This is what it all comes down to.



ZARATINA

The History

Series: USF leads 27-4-5 **Record: 8-6-2, 4-0**

Last Year:

NCAA Regional First Round
at San Francisco
USF 2, SCU 1 (OT)

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SCU men to meet USF in soccer showdown

THE BIG GAME for Bay Area men's soccer this season takes place at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Buck Shaw Stadium when USF visits Santa Clara.

Both teams are undefeated in West Coast Conference play. That means the winner will clinch the championship and gain an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

"Both teams are keen to get the automatic berth," Santa Clara Coach **Mitch Murray** said Monday. "We're on the verge of getting a bid, so this would take the pressure off. This will be a great game, very exciting, with playoff atmosphere."

Santa Clara, after splitting two games at the Admiral Classic at Southern Methodist last weekend, is 11-4-1 overall and 5-0 in the conference. Injuries slowed USF at the start of the season, and the Dons were struggling at 3-6-2. They've won five in a row since and are 4-0 in the conference. USF leads the series 27-4-6, including a 2-1 overtime victory over the Broncos last year in the NCAA opening round at Buck Shaw Stadium.

"They're still an outstanding team," Murray said. "They could have folded and just gone through the motions. Now they're playing about the best soccer in the area right now."

BIG STANFORD WEEKEND: Stanford, the nation's top-ranked women's volleyball team, gets its biggest challenge of the season this weekend when it travels to Los Angeles.

Awaiting are No. 3-ranked UCLA and No. 11 Southern Cal. UCLA is first up Friday night with USC on Saturday.

"Playing back-to-back at UCLA and USC is the toughest weekend in volleyball," said Stanford Coach **Don Shaw**. "It will be a true test for us."

Stanford's most celebrated player is freshman outside hitter **Kristin Folkl**, who's hitting an amazing .395 with an average of 4.8 kills a game. (Hitting average is determined by subtracting errors from kills and then dividing that figure by attempts.) Folkl also is an outstanding basketball player.

Other prominent Cardinal performers are setter-outside hitter **Cary Wendell**, who's hitting .333 with 7.7 assists and 3.1 digs a game, and outside hitter **Marnie Triefenbach**, who's hitting .313 with 3.5 kills and 2.3 digs a game.

Eight of the 15 players on the team are hitting .300 or more.

SHE HELPS OUT: **Jennifer Lalor** is the all-time women's soccer assist leader at Santa Clara and, being a junior, has another season to add to her record.



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The center midfielder from Chula Vista had quite a day Friday in a 7-1 victory over Gonzaga. Her three assists tied a single-game school record and pushed her over the top for the season and career records.

Lalor has 19 assists this year and 39 for her career with two games to go in the regular season. She leads the Western Region by nine assists and ranks second in the country to **Holly Manthei** of Notre Dame, who has 22 assists.

Also against Gonzaga, sophomore **Tamara Sciacca** became the first player in Santa Clara history to come off the bench for a three-goal game.

The Broncos, 12-4-1 and 4-2 in the conference, meet St. Mary's tonight and Washington State on Friday. Both games kick off at 7:30 p.m. at Buck Shaw Stadium.

NCAA invitations go out Sunday, and Lalor, who downplayed her achievements, likes her team's chances.

CAL REUNION: UCLA women's soccer coach **Joy Fawcett** should look familiar to Cal when the teams meet in a 2 p.m. match Saturday at Berkeley's Dwight Derby Field.

Fawcett, then **Joy Biefield**, was a three-time All-American at Cal, where she still ranks as the all-time leader in goals, assists and points. She played from 1986 through 1989, setting the season record for scoring in her final year.

SPARTANS SHINE: San Jose State is ranked 25th in the country in men's soccer in the coaches poll, the first time the Spartans have been that high in 13 years.

The Spartans (13-4) have a chance at their best finish since 1981, when SJS was 14-4-1.

"If we go 15-4," said Spartans Coach **Gary St. Clair**, "it may be difficult to keep us out of the NCAA tournament. Stanford is a big game for us on Thursday. Santa Clara is ranked 17, so if we knock them off Sunday, it could be interesting."

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Men power past Portland

Buettner's two beats Pilots 2-1; SCU beats Gonzaga 1-0 Friday

Men: Buettner too good, scores two in 2-1 victory

By GREGG PARKER 10/27/94

The Santa Clara

conference games, including at Santa Clara.

Bulldogs let go of leash
The two-lane road leading to the WCC men's soccer title just narrowed to a single lane this past weekend. A little roadwork by the Santa Clara men's soccer team has created a temporary roadblock to the conference championship. There is only one more passing lane ahead for the rest of the West Coast Conference. And USF is the only school in position to overtake the undefeated leader. SCU is currently 10-3-1 overall, 5-0-0 in conference. The Broncos are in pursuit of their second consecutive WCC title. Santa Clara has only one conference game left and its fighting against victory over the Dons would give the Broncos their first-ever outright WCC title. Last season, the Broncos finished tied with USF and ended up sharing the conference crown. The Dons went on to defeat Santa Clara 2-1 in the first round of the NCAA tournament. The pressure is on San Francisco to win the rest of its

strategy all the more useful. And with offensive threats like Lynch and sophomore forward sensation Jeremy Buettner breathing down your neck, who can blame them? "We were playing in a pasture," senior goalkeeper Pete Zaratin said. Zaratin recorded his fourth shutout of the season and the 19th of his career. Zaratin has been a rock in the nets this year, making save, after save, after save for the Broncos.

"I have to concentrate on what I do best and keep the ball out of the net," Zaratin said. He currently posts a 1.80 goals-against-average which should drop with the blanking at Gonzaga.

Eight minutes
The blockbuster hit film *Eight Seconds* is about the fast and furious action that takes place in the rodeo ring. It took just a little longer than eight seconds for the offensive fireworks to explode in Portland. Eight minutes to be exact. Eight minutes of the bang, the boom—and then nothing. Last Sunday, SCU went into Portland's Merlo Field having

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scored two in 2-1 victory. Buettner scored both goals in the first eight minutes of the game. The multi-goal game was Buettner's third of the season for each of the honorees, come on the heels of the 17th ranked

Don't mess with Texas
The team heads out on the road once again this weekend to participate in the Admiral Classic hosted by Southern Methodist University. Santa Clara finds itself facing off against another ranked opponent in No. 7 SMU. The team also plays Tulsa, a team that

defeated the Broncos earlier in the year at an exhibition tournament. SCU moved up one spot to No. 17 in the Adidas/ISAA coaches poll this week. Portland dropped out of the polls with the loss to Santa Clara. SCU is the only WCC team left with a national ranking.

But any kind of win in Portland is a big win. Santa Clara evaded up the all-time series between the two schools at 5-5-4.

Buettner, SCU score '10's
It was a week for the number "10." The victory at Portland was number 10 on the year for the Broncos. Santa Clara has won at least 10 or more games in each of the past eight seasons. It's a school record—the longest streak in school history. Buettner's two-goal roadtrip increased his season output to 10. The double-figure goal output puts Buettner at seventh place on the all-time single-season list. Buettner's achievements this year have been recognized in the latest issue of *Soccer America*. Go check it out. Coach Murray most likely will have two double-digit scorers in the lineup. Lynch remains one back of the team lead with nine.

Not tied for long
The score would not remain tied for long. Buettner would strike again, and it would prove to be the game-winner. The sophomore forward was awarded a free kick after being pulled down by a Portland defender in the penalty box.

"The ball came across inside of six and I wanted to volley it," Buettner said. "The guy grabbed the back of my shirt from behind and I went down."

Buettner converted the gift to push the Broncos ahead 2-1. Eight minutes of end-to-end action. And Lynch was in on the action again, assisting Buettner for the first score of the game. Portland answered the call with a goal of their own.

"We came out really strong," Buettner said. "The defense just had a lapse and couldn't clear the ball out."

SCU's Buettner, Zaratin sweep both WCC Player of the Week awards

Bronco duo takes home awards for second time this season

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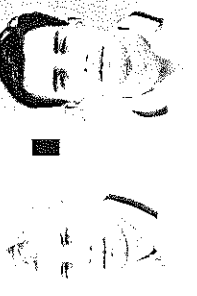
Santa Clara forward Jeremy Buettner (San Jose, CA) and goalkeeper Peter Zaratin (Glen Cove, NJ) were named the West Coast Conference Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week, the conference office announced Tuesday. The awards, the second of the season for each of the honorees, come on the heels of the 17th ranked

Broncos 2-1 win at Portland Sunday. SCU's first road win over the Pilots in the program's history.

Buettner beats Pilots
Buettner scored both goals in the victory within the first eight minutes of the game. The multi-goal game was Buettner's third of the season, and gave the sophomore a team-high 10 goals at Gonzaga Friday.

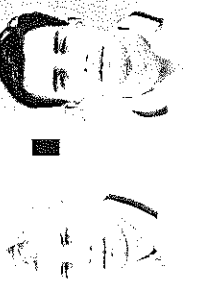
The Zaratin File

Jeremy Buettner
Sophomore
Forward
5-10
Glen Cove, NY



The Zaratin File

Peter Zaratin
Senior
Goalkeeper
5-11
Glen Cove, NY



Tee times much earlier for SJS event

If the San Jose State Invitational golf tournament seems ahead of itself this weekend, it's because women's teams from throughout the country usually head west for this event in March.

But Stanford, which runs its own tournament, is doing extensive work on its greens and asked to switch dates with the Spartans.

"This means we won't have another of these tournaments until March of '96," San Jose State Coach **Mark Gale** said Monday.

The change of dates has cut the number of competing teams from 18 to 12, but there are some top squads entered.

Defending champion Arizona State is back as the unanimous pick as No. 1 team in the country. San Jose State is No. 2.

The tournament gets under way at Fort Ord with a collegem jamboree Thursday at 10:30 a.m., a shotgun start. The actual 54-hole tournament begins Friday.

Other strong teams entered are Stanford, Tulsa and Texas.

The tournament began in 1981 and has been held every year since with the exception of 1984.

"They sprayed the greens to kill some fungus," Gale said, "but they killed the grass instead. We couldn't play that year."

BACK AT STANFORD: The Stanford course might not be ready for golf, but it's in good enough shape for the Pacific 10 Conference cross-country championships Saturday.

Although host Stanford is ranked sixth in the men's division, the Cardinal isn't favored in the event that starts on the second tee at 3:30 p.m. Instead, 18th-ranked Washington, the defending champ, is touted to win again. Arizona, ranked 11th, also is a strong contender.

The Stanford women, led by freshman **Sarna Renfro**, will be favored when their event begins at 4:15 p.m.

SOCCKER WOES: The Cal-Stanford men's match Sunday could



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be very important for the Cardinal.

If Stanford can win its last two games, there would be a tie atop the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation with Fresno State.

Cal's high hopes came crashing down Sunday when Fresno State beat the Bears 1-0 in double overtime. Fresno State took over the top spot with a 5-1-1 league record in the final MPSF game for the Bulldogs.

Cal fell to 4-2 in league matches. Stanford is 3-1-1.

Cal got off to an 0-6-1 start this season. Last year, the Bears were 0-8 before winning five of their next seven games.

"We practiced all the time on artificial turf," Cal Coach **Mark Mallon** said of last season, "and our first seven games were on grass."

GOALIE RETURNS: Santa Clara women's soccer goalie **Rachel Stoppello** didn't miss any games after being hospitalized last week with what first was thought to be appendicitis. Her problem later was diagnosed as a benign cyst.

Stoppello was in the net Friday in a 6-0 victory over 17th-ranked Oregon State, the most one-sided defeat of a ranked team in Broncos history. It was Coach **Jerry Smith's** 100th victory.

The Broncos' seven-game winning streak was snapped Sunday in a 3-1 loss at Portland.

Junior midfielder **Jennifer Lallor**, who has at least one assist in each of the past six games, has tied the school career record with 35 assists. She should take over sole possession of the record this weekend when the Broncos host Gonzaga and Cal.

The men's soccer team, which had not won in Portland in four previous games, snapped the jinx Sunday with a 2-1 victory. Both goals were scored by **Jeremy Buettner**, who attended Prospect High.

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Home is where the heart lies

By DAVID BLANAR
TSC Staff

A cornerstone of Santa Clara athletics is fostering the idea of the team as a family unit. This has especially impacted alumni-athletes Brandi Chastain ('90) and Cameron Rast ('91), each of whom have proven over and over again on the soccer field their place in Bronco lore.

Their athletic achievements are legendary not only at Santa Clara but throughout the nation. Today they have come back to their "families," affecting their teams on the field in a very different way and lending more than their physical prowess to bring victory: each now paces the sidelines as a coach instead of a player, assisting the teams which they themselves once propelled to national spotlight.

Chastain: no doubt

"I think I always knew I wanted to do some kind of coaching. I just wasn't sure when," says Chastain, ISAAA Player of the Year and All-American in 1990. She also stands at number three on the all-time SCU scoring list and number five on the points list—

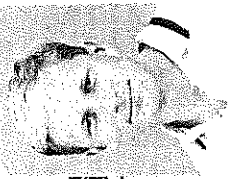
**Still
Double
Trouble**

When Brandi Chastain and Cameron Rast owned the SCU soccer field, the national audience was in awe. For one week in 1990, the men's and women's teams were both ranked number one in the country—a feat never before or since accomplished by any NCAA school.

**Class of 1990
Brandi Chastain**



**Class of 1991
Cameron Rast**



Rast has found soccer at the root of many positive influences in his life. "The game and sports have been a fantastic learning tool. My best friends have been in sports. I've learned to work in groups. You could call it a passion. I love to play, and I may even love more to coach."

Still, he insists that soccer is only one part of his life. "I won't say soccer is my life. There are other parts. But it's a very, very big part of me. If I didn't have it, I don't know where I would be."

Good SCU investment

Growing up in southern California, Rast says that he was in the dark about finding a college where he could fit in.

"I didn't know much about recruiting coming out of high school. I didn't know much about how to be recruited. I was very fortunate that Mitch [Murray] was interested in me. When I finally got here it was just the right place to be. When you go somewhere that you know is right, you're looking at the program and the school and the area. What I got out of Santa Clara is that there is no better place for me as a student or an athlete. And to work here is very...comfortable."

Chastain and Rast each agree on one thing: it is a passion and a love for the game which spurs their efforts. An intense, competitive fire drives and motivates them, whether it be on the field or on the sidelines, and Santa Clara is their own sacred ground. They have earned a special place in the Bronco record books and, most importantly, become heroic fixtures for not only today's athletes but for all who strive to be the best. Welcome home.

head coach Jerry Smith. "That's what Santa Clara is giving to Brandi, that opportunity to make the most of her coaching career and give her a start."

Supporting role

Chastain admits that her coaching inexperience has forced her into a role of support. "Support, because I'm so new. If you were to dissect me, I'm more of a player than a coach right now. Also, support because I know exactly how those players feel out there. I've been through that same thing. The players come and I say, 'Hey, I know, I understand that.'"

Rast

Men's soccer assistant, Cameron Rast, sees himself in a somewhat different role.

"Most players in this day and age, they know whether you're phony or not," says Rast, a two-time All-American and the spark plug of the 1989 and 1991 Bronco teams that advanced to the NCAA Championship Game. "It's not a case of going out and coaching. You have to teach, you have to direct, inspire and encourage," he said.

Soccer at the root

was calling home every other day to find out how we did. That's when it finally hit me that I really enjoyed doing this full time, not just helping out."

Japan no substitute

For Chastain, her time in Japan was an important period in her life: "I was very happy that I had spent my time in Japan but...now I know, I won't ever say, 'I wonder what would have happened if...?'"

Santa Clara also has a lot to do with her commitment. To Chastain, the university means much more than just a job.

"Home, that's probably what it reminds me of the most. Somewhere you can always go back to, no matter how long you've been away and feel like you've never left."

It is a home that Chastain has treated well, and now she has the opportunity to repay with the same passion she once reserved for the field.

SCU is the opportunity

"It's a tremendous opportunity to make a full time living at doing something that she absolutely loves to do, and at a place [she] loves doing it," says her mentor,

"They were physically stronger and tore through our defense."

—USF head women's soccer coach, Jean Paul Verhess on his team's 7-1 loss

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Lynch breaks USD at 0:59

Goal with a minute remaining the winner in wild second half ride

By GREGG PARKER

TSC Staff

There are two ways to forget about a two-game losing streak. Take two Excedrin and lie down or take two straight games from conference opponents. Aspirin may have provided temporary relief for the men's soccer team, but winning back-to-back WCC matches can cure even the toughest of headaches. To get you caught up, Fresno State and Cal handed SCU its first headaches (losses) of the season a little over a week and a half ago.

"The Cal game was a poor performance," head coach Mitch Murray said. "We didn't rebound well from the loss to Fresno State."

Since then, the team has recovered, regrouped, and regained its senses with last weekend victories over USD and LMU. Santa Clara has bounced back in a big way, now sitting alone atop the WCC at 2-0-0 and 7-2-1 overall. Portland, Gonzaga, and USF have yet to open conference play.

Anything but boring

The fans always get their money's worth when USD and SCU play each other in men's soccer. Last Friday night's

match in Torero Stadium followed tradition, going down to the final seconds of regulation to be decided. The action was end-to-end in front of both goals. USD took an early second half lead with two goals in a 17 second span.

"I took a quick look to see if our guys would hang their heads or fight back," Murray said.



RANDY ALLEN

The deficit marked the third time in three years that San Diego has built a second half lead over the Broncos. And for the third year in a row USD was unable to hold it. Freshmen Randy Allen and Josh Temkin each scored his first career goal to tie the score at 2-2.

"We just needed to get that first goal," Murray said. "From that point on we completely took over the game."

The real drama came with only 59 seconds left in regulation. SCU was awarded a direct kick about 18 yards out from the USD net. Junior forward Mike Lynch elected to

take the kick himself.

"I told Buettner 'It's mine' and stepped up and took it," Lynch said.

Moments later, the ball could be found lying in the side net. Once again, Santa Clara had escaped victorious.

"The USD win built our confidence back up," Lynch said. "It was a stepping stone to get back our goal as a team."

Licking the lions

Remember those old gladiator movies where the Roman emperor would throw the Christians to the lions? Okay, maybe comparing SCU's massacre over LMU to gruesome historical events is going a bit far. But folks, it wasn't pretty. Santa Clara jumped all over the Lions from the get-go and never let up. Those of you who saw the game can attest to the fact that the final score of 4-1 doesn't tell the whole story. SCU dominated play on both ends of the field. Correction, SCU dominated play on one half of the field. The ball rarely crossed the midline, let alone reached SCU's defense. The Loyola goalkeeper must have thought it was raining soccer balls with the way SCU was pelting him with shots.

"We just needed to get that first goal. From that point on, we completely took over the game."

—Mitch Murray

"The whole team was packed in front of their goal," Murray said. "It's a situation where if you don't put a team away, they can stay in it and steal the game."

The Broncos led 3-1 at halftime and cruised to a 4-1 win on goals from junior defenseman Derick Brownell, sophomore forward Jeremy Buettner, and sophomore midfielder Rodney Dumlaio. Buettner scored twice, increasing his goal output to eight on the year. Buettner and Lynch together have a chance to become the first players under Mitch Murray's reign to record 10 or more goals in a season. Lynch remains one back of team-leader Buettner at seven.

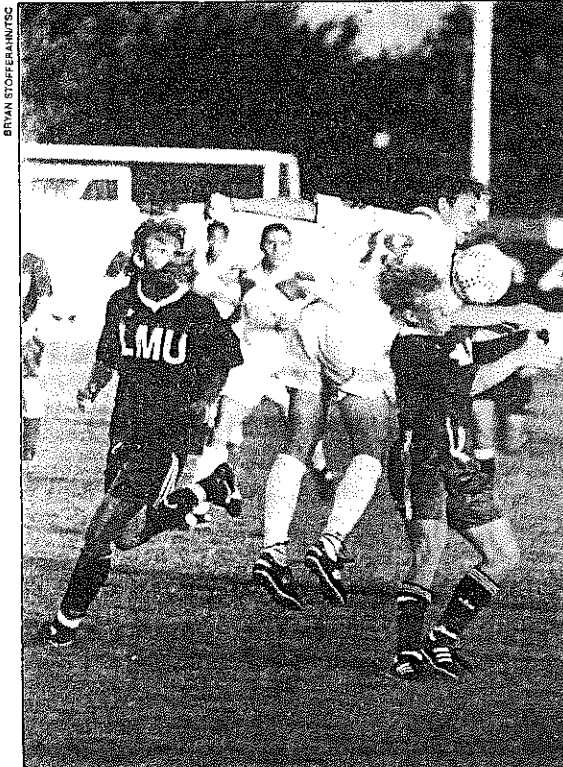
Back in the rankings

After dropping out of the adidas/ISAA poll a week ago,

Santa Clara finds itself back in the pack. SCU came in at No. 18 this week on the coaches poll and at No. 17 in the Soccer America poll. Yet, rankings don't mean a whole lot when it comes to the WCC. Teams in this conference fall in and fall out of the rankings faster than you can blink. With so many good teams, it is a conference that will beat up on itself.

"Winning the conference is the only guarantee of a playoff spot," Murray said.

The men's soccer team stays at home for its next two matches. The Broncos take on traditional rival St. Mary's tonight at 7:30 in a WCC matchup. SCU takes the field again on Monday, October 17 at 7:30 when it hosts the Mustangs of Cal Poly. The Cal Poly game will be aired live on 103.3 KSCU.



AIR BUETTNER—Junior forward Jeremy Buettner (#19 in white) battles above the ground against LMU Sunday. Santa Clara easily triumphed 4-1

WCC's choice: Lynch

Santa Clara Press Release

Santa Clara junior forward Mike Lynch (Bakersfield, CA) was named the West Coast Conference Player of the Week for men's soccer, the conference announced today. Lynch was selected after leading the Broncos to a come-from-behind 3-2 victory at San Diego Friday.

Lynch helped bring SCU back from a 2-0 second half deficit with an assist and a goal in the final eight and half minutes of play. His assist on freshman Josh Temkin's goal at the 81:35 mark brought the Broncos even at 2-2, and his score on a free kick gave Santa Clara the lead with just 0:59 showing on the clock.

On the season, Lynch is second on the Broncos with seven goals, five assists and 19 total points—good for eighth in the Far West Region. His 26 career assists place him fifth on the Bronco all-time career list.

A two-time All-WCC selection, Lynch collects the second Player of the Week honor of his career. He is also the third Bronco men's soccer player to be so honored this season—Jeremy Buettner was named Offensive Player of the Week and Peter Zaratini the Defensive Player of the Week on Sept. 28.

Santa Clara, ranked No. 18 on the adidas/ISAA coaches' poll with a 7-2-1 record, are currently in first place in the WCC with a 2-0-0 league mark.

The Mike Lynch File



Award
WCC Offensive
Player of the Week

Earned
Twice: Oct. 26, 1993
and Oct. 12, 1994

When
Both awards came after critical
wins against USD-Toreros

Personal:

Full name: Michael Thomas Lynch
Height: 6-9
Experience: 2 varsity years
Year: Junior
Position: Forward
Hometown: Bakersfield, CA
Nickname: "Lyncha"
Major: Undeclared

All-WCC selection in 1993

Fresno needs OT to stop SCU 1-0

SCU men trip, stumble out of polls, lose to unranked Cal 2-1

By GREGG PARKER

TSC Staff
Consecutive losses to No. 5 Fresno State and unranked Cal have left the men's soccer team "dazed and confused." Just a week ago, this team was the last remaining undefeated team in the Far West region and voted the 15th best team in the nation by the Adidas/ISAA coach's poll. But, a lot can happen in a week. Take last Thursday night's big game against Fresno State as a case in point. The Broncos came into this game on a five-game win streak, seeing sophomore forward Jeremy Buettnner score at least a goal in each game. It was SCU's first real test against a highly ranked opponent.

Falling to No. 5

Fresno State came out like a well-oiled machine. The Bulldogs used quick, crisp, and trick passes to mount several offensive attacks against the Bronco defense. SCU began to play in Fresno State's half of the field midway through the first quarter. But Fresno State is not a team that breaks down often and SCU's potent offensive attack was held in check. Each team had its breaks in front of the goal, but neither team could find the net. And that's the way it stayed for the rest of regulation. In the first overtime period, Fresno State's Steve Patterson broke the scoreless tie with a chip shot over SCU goalkeeper Peter Zaratin's head that landed in the side net. Game-over. It was the first time

the Bronco offense has been held scoreless in 32 games, dating back to October of 1992. The overtime loss at the pawes of the Bulldogs put Fresno State one game ahead of SCU in the history of the series (4-3). **Cal clamps on SCU**

What could have been a nice Sunday walk all over Cal turned into a disappointing 2-1 loss for Santa Clara. SCU dropped its second game of the season to a struggling University of California team. Cal had only one victory to accompany six losses and two ties going into Sunday's match. The Bears upset the No. 15 Broncos and improve their record to 2-6-1. Knocking off SCU marked the biggest victory of the year for Cal, upsetting its first top-20 opponent this season. Junior forward Mike Lynch scored the lone goal for SCU late in the first half. Santa Clara has not struggled offensively like this all season. Lynch said that other teams are becoming more aware of SCU's scoring ability and taking greater measures to stop it.



Mike Lynch

"They (opponents) think that if they stop us, they can stop the team."

—Mike Lynch



MEGAN CHANG/TSC

COMIN' AT YOU—SCU's No. 15, Josh Temkin (in white), heads a shot towards the Fresno State goal in Thursday's 1-0 overtime loss. The Broncos' struggle continued into Sunday against Cal, dropping a 2-1 decision.

"Teams are marking us (Lynch and sophomore forward Jeremy Buettnner) a lot tighter now," Lynch said.

Opponents are beginning to focus all their efforts on corralling these two front runners. "When one of us gets a ball, it's not one or two defenders to beat. Now it's three or four," Lynch said. The offense had been averaging 3+ goals a game before the firepower vanished in these past two games. Lynch and Buettnner will look to break the offense out of the goal drought. The pair of forwards are tied atop the team scoring charts, each having recorded six goals and four assists. "They (opponents) think that if they stop us, they can stop the team," Lynch said.

On the road again

SCU's tumble from the ranks of the unbeaten comes right before its WCC opener on the road against a talented USD team. USD is predicted to finish third in the WCC, one spot ahead of the Broncos. The Broncos have taken the last seven from the Tonerros, including three of the last four in nail-biting overtime victories. Santa Clara returns to Buck Shaw this weekend when it hosts Loyola Marymount on Sunday at 5:00 P.M. The Broncos look to end their season high two-game losing streak.

Four freshmen make a racket at Stanford, Cal

SAY THIS about Dick Gould, the tennis coach at Stanford, and Peter Wright, his counterpart at Cal: They sure can recruit.

Four of the top freshmen in the country are getting ready to compete for Cal and Stanford.

At Stanford, there's Jay Humphries of Alamo and Paul Goldstein of Rockville, Md. They not only are highly ranked junior singles players, they also form a solid doubles team.

At Cal, there's Bobby Mahal, the Canadian junior champ, and David Sutton, the No. 1 junior player in Puerto Rico.

Goldstein has won the U.S. junior title an unprecedented three times. But Mahal beat him last year in the Italian Junior Open. Goldstein and Humphries have finished high in numerous doubles tournaments around the world.

"We'll certainly take a look at them for doubles play here," Gould said Monday.

Stanford opens Oct. 11 at the All-American Tournament in Austin, Texas. Cal opens Thursday against Asia University of Tokyo at the Hellman Courts on the Berkeley campus.

"Stanford is in the top five," Wright said. "By the end of the year, we want to be in the top 10. We've had a couple of off years, but we're straightening that out. Our goal is to win the NCAA championship."

BRONCOS KICK AROUND: Santa Clara, the last remaining unbeaten men's soccer team in the West, meets fifth-ranked Fresno State at Buck Shaw Stadium on Thursday night. Santa Clara has won 16 straight non-conference games.

The 15th-ranked Broncos (5-0-1) are coming off their second straight St. Mary's Fall Classic title. Forward Jeremy Buettner was named tournament MVP. He has scored goals in the past five games and needs a goal against Fresno State to set what is believed to be a school record for goals in consecutive games.

Soccer records weren't meticulously kept before 1984 at Santa Clara. Buettner is a redshirt sophomore transfer who began his college career at Fresno State before taking a detour at De Anza College.

The SCU women travel to UC-Santa Barbara, where they'll play fifth-ranked Massachusetts on Saturday. The Santa Clara women are ranked ninth after beating 12th-ranked Wisconsin 4-0, their largest victory margin ever against a ranked team.

The Broncos lost 3-2 to North Carolina, which has the longest winning streak in the history of college sports, 91. This was the seventh straight time the Broncos had lost to the Tar Heels. The Broncos are 6-1 after those losses. North Carolina plays Cal in Collegiate America Cup play Fri-



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day in St. Louis. The Bears (2-4-1) have lost three in a row.

NEW SPARTANS IMPROVE:

The San Jose State women's cross-country team, in its first season of competition, has run in three meets. Saturday at the UC-Davis Aggie Invitational, the Spartans finished third, placing ahead of an NCAA Division I school for the first time. The Spartans finished behind Fresno State and Nevada-Reno but ahead of Pacific, one of the teams they'll face Oct. 29 at the Big West Championships.

"Other coaches are amazed that we have a competitive team," said Coach Augie Argabright. "We improved as a team 250 seconds between our first meet and our second meet and 134 seconds between our second and third meets."

Liz Mousourakis, a freshman from Fremont, was the Spartans' top finisher for the second straight meet with a 21-minute, 7.1-second time on the flat 5K course at UC-Davis.

"My goal is to have three girls run under 20 minutes," Argabright said. "That would be tremendous, and we might be able to do that by the Big West Championships."

FAMOUS NAME RUNNERS:

Two runners with familiar names will be among the hundreds taking part Saturday in the Stanford/Palo Alto High School Cross-Country Invitational.

They are Martin and Robert Keino, the sons of Kip Keino, one of the top distance runners of all time. The Keinos compete for 11th-ranked Arizona.

There will be four collegiate and 10 high school races starting at 11:30 a.m.

VOLLEYBALL NOTES: Stanford, one of four undefeated women's volleyball teams in the country, meets Cal in a Pacific 10 Conference match at 7 p.m. today at Maples Pavilion.

Stanford is 8-0 overall, 2-0 in the Pac-10. Cal is 2-7, 0-2.

Stanford could be caught looking ahead to the weekend of Oct. 7 when the Cardinal meets perennial powers Southern Cal and UCLA.

Stanford is paced by outside hitter Kristin Folkl, a freshman in name only. She was a starter on the U.S. National team that took the silver medal at the Goodwill Games in St. Petersburg, Russia. She teams well with last year's NCAA freshman of the year, outside setter/outside hitter Cary Wendell.

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—Head Coach
Mitch Murray

If not for the courage of the fearless crew...



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Young, but experienced. That's what the resumé for the 1994 men's soccer team should read like. With the return of eight starters from last year's conference co-champion squad, there are only a few holes to fill in the otherwise watertight S.S. Success. Yeah, I know the ship reference to the soccer team might seem a little out of place, yet look at this year's Bronco squad. The loss of five starters to graduation on a team who last year finished ninth in the nation might seem like a torpedo in the side of any other program. But, then again, Santa Clara isn't just any other soccer program.

Crewmembers: The bow

The skipper, head coach Mitch Murray, will plug the leaks with players named Lynch, Brownell, and Buettner. This forward trio combines creativity, athleticism, and natural goal-scoring instinct into an explosive offensive arsenal. Junior forward Mike Lynch is one to watch. Already being mentioned as a potential All-American, Lynch tallied five goals and 12 assists in only 13 games for the Broncos last season.

But the Bronco attack has never depended on individual efforts to put the ball in the net.

"We've never had to depend on one or two players to score goals," said Murray.

Look for junior forward Derick Brownell and Fresno State transfer Jeremy Buettner to chip in on the goal-scoring as well. Last year, Brownell suffered a ligament tear and was forced to miss much of the second half of the season. Buettner, a redshirt sophomore,



ON THE HUNT!— Forward, junior Derick Brownell will need to continue his goal-making ways if the 1994 Broncos are to dream of the post-season. Brownell led the team in 1992 with eight goals but had only three last year. Santa Clara is off to a great start, in first place with a record of 3-0-1. Their first West Coast Conference game is October 7, at San Diego. USD is 4-1-0 and looking to claim the top spot in the WCC for themselves.

brings a scoring punch that saw him score four goals for the Bulldogs as a freshman.

Crewmembers: The stern

The midfield and defense have experienced players who may find themselves playing musical chairs (as far as positions go) for the first few games. The center midfield will feature senior David McGuire and redshirt sophomore Rodney Dumlaon. Murray calls McGuire a "dangerous" midfielder because of his strong on the ball type play. Covering the ends will be junior Brian Boesiger and senior Chris Afarian.

The last bastion of defense will rely on experience as well. Junior Eric Fambrough will inherit the sweeper

responsibilities from last year's All-WCC performer Alberto Cruz whom the Broncos lost to graduation. Sophomore center back Jason Annicchero returns to give the defense height along with speed. Junior Jeff Vargas and sophomore Ryan Dudley are expected to anchor the ends. Senior Peter Zaratini takes over in goal again after posting a 0.95 goals-against average in 19 games last season.

Captain Murray is hopeful: "It's a new team this year. It will be up to them to find their own identity, create their own destiny."

Life preservers

Injuries have plagued the team for the past two seasons. Despite losing key

starters last season, SCU went on to post a 4-1-1 record in WCC play and grab a share of the conference title with USF. This year, captain Murray added a few more life preservers to his ship. Murray brought in ten freshman, including transfers Chris Afarian and Jeremy Buettner, to protect against the unavoidable injuries.

"We have the talent, but we need the breaks and to stay healthy," said Murray. **What to look for in '94**

The Broncos have already compiled a 3-0-1 record with two impressive home victories over CSU Humboldt and CSU Hayward. The real test will come when conference play opens up October 7 at San Diego. The 1994 Soccer America Preseason Poll ranked three WCC teams in the top-20 (#12 USF, #14 USD, and #17 Portland). Santa Clara began the season unranked and picked to finish fourth. At the moment, they are in first place and ranked #25 in the country.

Sailing through these shark infested WCC waters will be difficult to say the least for the S.S. Success. Murray calls these three teams "scary" with the talent and maturity that each brings to the water. The Broncos have the talent, and Murray is hoping that the maturity will surface during the course of the season.

"It will be real important for the returners to step up their game and for the go-to guys to have great games," said Murray.

It will be anything but smooth sailing for captain Murray and his crew. The waters of the WCC are treacherous and the storms sit on the horizon. But navigating a ship with the tradition of the S.S. Success makes the ride that much more comfortable.

"If we win the games we should win, and split the tough ones, it's going to make for quite a battle," said Murray.



None of the players on the 1994 men's soccer squad have tasted the final rounds of the NCAA tournament—a fact that the freshmen class wants to alter. Heavy on the defense, here is the incoming pack of players who hope to bolster their mid-and back line.

Josh Temkin, from Salpointe

Catholic High in Tucson Arizona, will look for minutes in the midfield where he will utilize his natural ability to distribute the ball well on the attack. He led Salpointe to a 15-2-0 record and was named All-Arizona as a senior. A member of the U-17 National Team Pool in 1993, he was also a NSCAA U-17 All-America selection.

Brighton High's Jon Herbst joins SCU after leading BHS to the Kensington Valley

Conference title last year. He was named first team All-Michigan as a junior and a senior. His club team played in the U-16 National Championship game in 1992 and won the Indoor Nationals during the same year. He will compete for a spot in the wide midfield.

Randy Allen from Jesuit High in Oregon also hopes to see time in the midfield. Last year he led Jesuit to an 18-0-0 record. He also helped JHS to Metro

League titles in 1991, 1992, and 1993, and steered his club team to the 1994 U-18 National Championship.

Home-grown David Alexander, from Saratoga High, will serve as a back-up in goal for the Broncos behind Bronco stopper Peter Zaratini.

Palo Alto High's Derrick Harris looks to play in the midfield. Over his HS career he tallied 35 scores and 40 assists during the same time span. Jeff

Prentice, also from Palo Alto High joins the Broncos and looks to see time in the backfield.

Josh Schelhorse, from Mt. Carmel High in San Diego hopes to compete in the nets, while Chris Wilson, from Boulder Creek, CA will see time in the midfield.

Kevin Barry, a graduate of local Bellarmine Prep, will play minutes in the backfield for Santa Clara.

Josh Temkin
Ht: 5-10
Wt: 156
Tucson, AZ
Salpointe Catholic HS
Midfield
Major: Undeclared



Jon Herbst
Ht: 5-9
Wt: 163
Brighton, MI
Brighton HS
Midfield
Major: Computer Engineering



Randy Allen
Ht: 5-10
Wt: 155
Beaverton, OR
Jesuit HS
Defender
Major: Undeclared

