



2024 Santa Clara University MEN'S WATER POLO

2024 Schedule (6-4, 0-1 WCC)

Date	Opponent	Network	Time (PT)
Sept. 7	Fresno Pacific	ESPN+	W, 18-4
<u>Princeton Invitational (Princeton, N.J.)</u>			
Sept. 13	<i>Iona</i>		W, 16-6
Sept. 13	#6 Princeton	ESPN+	L, 9-15
Sept. 14	<i>Bucknell</i>		W, 20-16
Sept. 15	<i>Wagner</i>		W, 17-10
Sept. 20	* #9 San Jose State	ESPN+	L, 10-11 (SV)
Sept. 21	George Washington	ESPN+	W, 17-10
Sept. 27	#13 UC Davis		W, 14-12
Sept. 28	~ Alumni Game		--
<u>Big West/WCC Challenge (San Jose, Calif.)</u>			
Oct. 5	#17 UC Davis		L, 7-14
Oct. 5	#12 UC Santa Barbara		L, 8-9
<u>Lancer Joust (Riverside, Calif. & Fullerton, Calif.)</u>			
Oct. 11	Cal State Fullerton	ESPN+	Noon
Oct. 11	Concordia University Irvine		7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Biola		12:10 p.m.
Oct. 17	California	ESPN+	5 p.m.
Oct. 24	* California Baptist	ESPN+	2 p.m.
<u>Julian Frasier Memorial (Santa Clara, Calif.)</u>			
Oct. 25	UC Merced	ESPN+	1:20 p.m.
Oct. 26	Harvard	ESPN+	10:20 a.m.
Oct. 27	Brown	ESPN+	9:20 a.m.
Nov. 1	* Pepperdine	ESPN+	1 p.m.
Nov. 2	* LMU	ESPN+	Noon
Nov. 8	* Pacific	ESPN+	6 p.m.
Nov. 9	Stanford		
Noon			
Nov. 15	* Air Force	ESPN+	2 p.m.
Nov. 22-24	WCC Championship (@ Stockton, Calif.)		TBA
Dec. 6-8	NCAA Championship (@ Stanford, Calif.)		TBA

Home games in **BOLD** | Neutral games in *Italics*

* WCC game | ~ Exhibition | Rankings are CWPA Men's Varsity Top-20

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#17 Santa Clara (6-4, 0-0 WCC)

vs.

Lancer Joust

RV Cal State Fullerton (10-9, 0-0 Big West)
Concordia University Irvine (6-14, 0-0 WWP)
Biola (6-16, 0-0 WWP)

Fullerton, Calif. & Riverside, Calif. • Friday & Saturday

Watch Live: ESPN+ (CSUF game only)
Live Stats: thefosh.net

Series History

vs. RV Cal State Fullerton

Series History (since 2023)..... Santa Clara leads 1-0
in Fullerton, Calif..... Tied, 0-0
Current Streak W1, Santa Clara
Last Meeting..... Oct. 21, 2023 | W, 12-9

vs. Concordia University Irvine

Series History (since 2008)..... CUI leads 6-4
Neutral Site..... CUI leads 2-0
Current Streak W2, Santa Clara
Last Meeting..... Oct. 29, 2022 | W, 19-3

vs. Biola

Series History (since 2021)..... Santa Clara leads 3-0
Neutral Site..... Santa Clara leads 1-0
Current Streak W3, Santa Clara
Last Meeting..... Oct. 7, 2023 | W, 11-6

Match Notes

• The No. 17 Santa Clara University men's water polo team will play in its third organized tournament of the season and third in the past five weeks when it travels to Southern California for the Lancer Joust on Friday and Saturday, co-hosted by California Baptist and Cal State Fullerton in Riverside, Calif., and Fullerton, Calif., respectively.

• The Broncos (6-4) have gone unbeaten at the Lancer Joust in each of the last two seasons, going 3-0 in 2023 and 2-0 in 2022.

• Santa Clara won its only meeting all-time versus Cal State Fullerton, 12-9, in 2023. The Titans debuted their men's water polo program in 2023.

• Biola (2022) and Concordia University Irvine (2017-22) are both former fellow conference members with the Broncos, when Santa Clara played in the Western Water Polo Association. The Broncos are 3-0 all-time versus Biola, while CUI holds a 6-4 overall advantage in the series, while the Broncos went 3-2 against the Golden Eagles in conference play.

Season Notes

• No. 14/15 Santa Clara dropped two hard-fought games Saturday in the Big West/WCC Challenge against two top-20-ranked teams, as the Broncos fell to No. 16/17 UC Davis, 14-7, before being edged, 9-8, versus No. 12/12 UC Santa Barbara, at the SRAC Pool on the campus of San Jose State.

Riccardo De Simon had three goals against No. 16/17 UC Davis, and both **Zach Fales** and **Jack Fisher** scored two goals against No. 12/12 UC Santa Barbara.

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Season Notes

• Santa Clara freshman utility man **Riccardo De Simon** owns two KAP7 West Coast Conference Newcomer of the Week awards this season. His most recent came for the week of Sept. 23-29 after helping lead the Broncos to a milestone road victory at No. 13 UC Davis. He also won the award for the week of Sept. 9-15 after scoring 11 goals across four games at the Princeton Invitational.

• Santa Clara head coach **Keith Wilbur** reached his 300th career men's water polo win this season thanks to a 14-12 win at No. 13 UC Davis on Sept. 27. He's earned all 300 wins at the helm of the Broncos' program. Wilbur is in his 23rd season as head coach of the program and is the winningest coach in program history. He began his tenure at Santa Clara in the fall of 2002.

Keith Wilbur Career Milestone Wins

No.	Opponent	Score	Date
1.	Whittier College	7-5	Sept. 9, 2002
50.	Air Force	8-6 (OT)	Oct. 16, 2005
100.	University of Redlands	10-9	Nov. 21, 2008
150.	University of La Verne	18-5	Sept. 25, 2011
200.	St. Francis (NY)	8-4	Sept. 12, 2015
250.	Occidental College	18-10	Oct. 5, 2019
300.	UC Davis	14-12	Sept. 27, 2024

• The Broncos (12-14 in 2023) finished 2023 ranked tied for 18th in the nation alongside WCC rival Pacific. Santa Clara has 13 matches scheduled in 2024 against teams ranked in both of the preseason top-20 polls, including showdowns against top-five teams California (No. 2/2) on Oct. 17, Stanford (No. 3/3) on Nov. 9 and Princeton (No. 5/5) on Sept. 13.

• Santa Clara returns its top two points scorers from 2023 in **Zach Fales** and **Gojko Kapovic**. Fales earned first team all-WCC honors and was tabbed an All-American honorable mention by the ACWPC after scoring a team-high 61 goals and totaling 101 points. Kapovic was the team's leading assists-getter with 59 and was second on the team with 88 total points. He also scored 29 goals (fourth on the team).

• The Broncos also return their starting goalkeeper from a year ago, **Harrison Labrosse**. The sophomore Labrosse made 159 saves in 16 starts. He also grabbed 12 steals on the season while logging a season-high 13 saves on two occasions.

• Santa Clara raked in the academic awards last school year. The team had a WCC-best 10 total honorees on the 2023 WCC All-Academic team. It later raked in 16 All-Academic awards from the ACWPC this summer. 2024 senior **Connor Long** earned "Outstanding" honors from the ACWPC.

2024 WCC Men's Water Polo Preseason Poll

Pl.	Team (1st Pl.)	Pts
1.	Pacific (5)	35
2.	San José State (1)	30
3.	Pepperdine	26
4.	LMU	22
5.	California Baptist	16
6.	Santa Clara	12
7.	Air Force	6

2024 Men's Water Polo Preseason All-WCC Team

Name	School	Yr.
Tommaso Baldinetti	LMU	Sr.
Jeremie Cote	Pacific	Sr.
Adam Csapo	Pepperdine	Jr.
Reuel D'Souza	Pacific	Sr.
Brendon Gyapjas	San José State	So.
Tom Leggett	Air Force	So.
Caleb Teraoka	California Baptist	Gr.

2024 Men's Water Polo Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown
1	Wyatt Stenson	GK	6-7	180	R-Jr.	Woodside, Calif.
1A	Owen Van Stralen	GK	6-0	185	R-So.	Orinda, Calif.
1B	Harrison Labrosse	GK	6-5	170	So.	Lafayette, Calif.
2	Zach Fales	Att.	6-3	190	Sr.	La Jolla, Calif.
3	Harrison Villella	Cen.	6-3	205	R-So.	Bainbridge Isl., Wash.
4	Max Hendrickson	Att.	6-0	175	R-Jr.	Redondo Beach, Calif.
5	Mason Jaeger	Cen.	6-2	235	Sr.	El Segundo, Calif.
6	Gavin Fisher	Att.	5-11	185	R-Jr.	Costa Mesa, Calif.
8	Ben Kyrrillos	CenD.	5-11	200	R-Jr.	La Jolla, Calif.
9	Reese Jenican	Cen.	6-4	215	Jr.	Yorba Linda, Calif.
10	Charlie Kosinski	Att.	6-0	180	R-Fr.	Greenwich, Conn.
11	Jack Palmer	Util.	5-10	205	R-Jr.	Dallas
12	Gojko Kapovic	Att.	5-10	185	Sr.	Makarska, Croatia
13	Connor Long	Util.	6-1	205	Sr.	Cupertino, Calif.
14	Jason Alietti	CenD.	6-5	200	So.	Pasadena, Calif.
16	Julien Chow	Util.	-	-	R-Fr.	Palo Alto, Calif.
17	Thomas Wisdom	Util.	6-1	190	R-Fr.	Saratoga, Calif.
20	Grant Roesch	Util.	6-3	185	So.	Moraga, Calif.
21	Riccardo De Simon	Util.	6-3	187	Fr.	Bologna, Italy
22	Luke Baird	CenD.	6-5	240	R-Fr.	Springfield, Va.
23	Charlie Engs	Att.	6-2	175	R-Fr.	Orinda, Calif.
24	Jack Fisher	Att.	6-3	170	Fr.	Manhattan Beach, Calif.
26	Reece Hammond	Util.	6-5	190	R-Fr.	Long Beach, Calif.
28	Henry Engs	Util.	6-1	220	Fr.	Orinda, Calif.
RS	Weston Bancroft	Util.	6-3	195	Rs.	La Jolla, Calif.
RS	Tyler Swensen	GK	6-4	200	Rs.	Laguna Beach, Calif.
RS	Jensen Welton	Util.	6-2	195	Rs.	Austin, Texas

CWPA NATIONAL TOP-20 POLL

(Week of Oct. 9)

Rk.	School	Previous Rank	Pts.
1	Stanford	3	99
2	UCLA	1	95
3	Southern California	2	92
4	Pacific	5	83
5	UC Irvine	t-6	78
6	Fordham	t-6	74
7	Pepperdine	4	70
8	California	t-6	68
9	Long Beach State	10	58
10	Harvard	14	53
11	Princeton	9	49
12	San Jose State	11	44
13	UC Davis	17	40
14	UC Santa Barbara	12	35
15	UC San Diego	13	34
16	LMU	16	27
17	Santa Clara	15	23
t-18	California Baptist	19	12
t-18	Brown	18	12
t-20	Navy	t-20	2
t-20	Wagner	RV	2
t-20	Bucknell	NR	2
t-20	Air Force	t-20	2
RV	Cal State Fullerton	NR	1
RV	George Washington	NR	1