



PAC-10 NEWS

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PACIFIC-10 CONFERENCE DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

GENERAL INFORMATION

WHAT: Pacific-10 Conference Men's and Women's Diving Championships.

WHERE: Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatics Center, Federal Way, Wash.

WHO: Teams from ARIZONA, ARIZONA STATE, CALIFORNIA, STANFORD and USC will compete for the 2007 Pac-10 Men's Diving Championship and teams from ARIZONA, ARIZONA STATE, CALIFORNIA, STANFORD, UCLA and USC will compete for the 2007 Pac-10 Women's Diving Championship.

TICKETS: Admission to the 2007 Pacific-10 Conference Diving Championship is free.

MEDIA CONTACT: The USC sports information office will handle publicity for the 2007 Diving Championships. Jeremy Wu, USC's on site media contact, can be reached at (213) 440-4173 and Paul Goldberg, USC's swimming and diving contact, can be reached via email (pgoldberg@usc.edu).

MEET RESULTS: At the conclusion of the event, results will posted on the Pac-10 web site (www.pac-10.org) , as well as on USC's web site (www.usctorjans.com). Please contact Becca Faulds at the Pacific-10 Conference office for more information.

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Fri., Feb. 9	11 a.m.	Men's 1 Meter Preliminary
	1:15 p.m.	Women's 3 Meter Preliminary
	4 p.m.	Men's 1 Meter Final
	5 p.m.	Women's 3 Meter Final
Sat., Feb. 10	11 a.m.	Women's 1 Meter Preliminary
	2:15 p.m.	Men's 3 Meter Preliminary
	4 p.m.	Women's 1 Meter Final
	5 p.m.	Men's 3 Meter Final
Sun., Feb. 11	10:30 a.m.	Men's Platform Preliminary
	12:30 p.m.	Women's Platform Preliminary
	2:30 p.m.	Men's Platform Final
	3:30 p.m.	Women's Platform Final

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

The NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving Championships will take place Thurs., March 8 through Sat., March 10 at the Minnesota Aquatics Center in Minneapolis, Minn.

The NCAA Men's Swimming and Diving Championships will take place Thurs., March 15 through Sat., March 17 at the University of Minnesota Aquatics Center in Minneapolis, Minn.

LAST YEAR IN PAC-10 DIVING

Last year in men's diving, ARIZONA STATE's **Joona Puhakka**, a senior from Helsinki, Finland, was named Diver of the Year for the fourth consecutive year. Puhakka became the first diver in Conference history to earn eight Pac-10 diving championships. STANFORD's **Dwight Dumais**, from Ventura, Calif., was named the Newcomer of the Year. Dumais finished second in both springboard events at the 2006 Pac-10 Diving Championships. He also took third on the platform. ASU's **Mark Bradshaw** won his fourth consecutive Diving Coach of the Year award. He led the Sun Devils to a 14th place finish at the NCAA Championships.

On the women's side, USC's **Blythe Hartley**, a senior from North Vancouver, B.C., earned the Diver of the Year Award. Hartley rounded out her collegiate career by winning both the one-meter and three-meter springboard titles at the 2006 NCAA Championships. By winning both events in the same meet, she became just the fourth diver in NCAA history to accomplish the feat and was named the 2006 NCAA Women's Diver of the Year, her third such honor. Hartley came into this year's national championship meet as the only diver in NCAA history to own national titles in all three diving events. In addition to this year's springboard success, she took seventh in the final round of the platform event, marking her 12th

2006 MEN'S PAC-10 DIVING CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

One-Meter Diving

1. Joona Puhakka, ASU 417.00
2. Dwight Dumais, STAN..... 363.70
3. Kenny Jenkins, USC 342.55
4. Brant Bingham, ASU 341.95
5. Michael Hilde, USC..... 336.10
6. John Collier, ARIZ 327.05

Three-Meter Diving

1. Joona Puhakka, ASU 429.80
2. Dwight Dumais, STAN..... 371.20
3. Kenny Jenkins, USC 352.50
4. Michael Hilde, USC..... 346.70
5. John Collier, ARIZ 333.20
6. Brant Bingham, ASU 319.05

Platform Diving

1. Michael Hilde, USC..... 347.20
2. Kenny Jenkins, USC 344.10
3. Dwight Dumais, STAN..... 288.40
4. Sam Helvie, CAL 271.35
5. Nathan Kim, STAN 257.50
6. Patrick Sullivan, ARIZ 251.20

2006 WOMEN'S PAC-10 DIVING CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

One-Meter Diving

1. Blythe Hartley, USC 358.45
2. Cassidy Krug, STAN 331.80
3. Tiffany Manning, ARIZ 308.50
4. Sara Clark, UCLA..... 280.30
5. Marisa Samaniego, UCLA..... 273.60
6. Lindsay Draper, USC 264.10

Three-Meter Diving

1. Blythe Hartley, USC 387.75
2. Cassidy Krug, STAN 354.90
3. Tiffany Manning, ARIZ 343.75
4. Sara Clark, UCLA..... 318.85
5. Katie Lampe, STAN 303.75
6. Paige Thompson, UCLA..... 293.90

Platform Diving

1. Tiffany Manning, ARIZ 296.85
2. Kim Popp, USC..... 286.20
3. Blythe Hartley, USC 277.15
4. Ali Tycast, USC 265.50
5. Sara Bowling, STAN 246.15
6. Cassidy Farwell, ASU 239.75

NCAA final appearance in 12 attempts, and making her a career 12-time All-American. At the Pac-10 Championships, Hartley won both the one and three-meter springboards and was named Diver of the Meet. Hartley joined ARIZONA's **Whitney Myers** as a finalist for the 2005-06 Swimming and Diving Honda Sports Award.

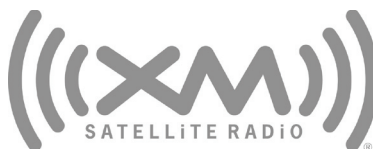
UCLA's **Marisa Samaniego**, a freshman from Altadena, Calif., was named Newcomer of the Year. Samaniego finished fifth in the one-meter and ninth in the three-meter springboard event at the 2006 Pac-10 Diving Championships, qualifying for the Zone E Diving Championships, where she was UCLA's highest finisher, placing eighth with a total score of 521.40. At the NCAA Championships, she placed 38th in the one-meter and 32nd in the three-meter springboard.

In his seventh year at USC, Pac-10 Diving Coach of the Year **Hongping Li** helped lead the Trojans to two Pac-10 individual titles and four top-eight finishes. The USC swimming and diving team took sixth overall at the NCAA Championships. The Women's Coach of the Year award is Li's fifth in the last six years. Li was also named the 2006 NCAA Women's Diving Coach of the Year, his second such honor.

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