



2002 Sun Devil Schedule/Results

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2002 Overall Record: 8-5-1
vs. Pac-10 Opponents: 2-3-1
vs. Ranked Opponents: 1-4-0

Head Coach John Spini --

One of the winningest coaches in the history of Sun Devil athletics, John Spini is in his 22nd year at ASU. His Sun Devil teams have won four conference titles, placed among the top-six at the NCAA Championships nine times and finished runner-up to a national crown on four occasions. In 1982 and 1983 he was named the WCAA Coach of the Year, and in 1996 was the Pac-10's co-winner. Spini is primarily assisted by Shelly Eaton (1st year) and Bruce McGehee (4th year), with undergraduate assistant coach Kristin Fanning (1st year) and volunteer coach Roe Kreutzer (11th year).

Reg. Season Record: 279-100-2
Reg. Season Home Rec.: 148-21-1

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No. 16 Sun Devils Seek Pac-10 Conference Crown

March 23, 2002 • 6:00 p.m. PST

Maples Pavilion • Stanford, Calif.

This Week --

In addition to competing for their first conference title since 1986, Arizona State's 16th-ranked women's gymnastics team (8-5-1 overall, 2-3-1 vs. Pac-10 opponents) will enjoy one last shot at improving its Regional Qualifying Score when the Sun Devils take to the floor of Maples Pavilion for the 2002 Pac-10 Championships in Stanford, Calif., Friday, March 23 at 6:00 p.m. PT. Fox Sports Net will televise the event on a tape-delayed basis, Friday, March 29 at 9:00 a.m.

The Field --

The Pac-10 Championships field includes seven teams, five of which are ranked in the top-20: No. 1 UCLA, No. 10 Stanford, No. 12 Arizona, No. 14 Oregon State, No. 16 Arizona State and unranked Washington and California. Pac-10 schools Washington State, Oregon and USC do not sponsor women's gymnastics teams.

Pac-10 Championship Notes --

With four conference crowns in their history, ASU hasn't won a league title since winning back-to-back Pac-10 crowns in 1985 and 1986. Since then, ASU has compiled three runner-up finishes, most recently in 1996. Over the last three years ASU has finished third (1999), fourth (2000) and fifth (2001) respectively.

ASU In The Rankings --

After one week at 13th, an idle ASU dropped to 16th in the current rankings. Two weeks removed from its season-high road score (196.100) ASU has a Regional Qualifying score of 195.135. By event, ASU is 18th on vault (48.895 RQS), tied for 12th on bars (49.075), unranked on beam and 16th on floor (49.215). In the preseason coaches poll ASU was ninth, just behind Stanford (8th) and just ahead of Oregon State (10th). Throughout the season, *GymInfo* rankings are based on one of the following: high score (Jan. 14, 21), average score (Jan. 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18), regional qualifying score (Feb. 25 thru season's end). Current rankings are available on Page 2 of this release. For more info access www.gyminfo.com/troester.

Regional Qualifying Scores --

Regional Qualifying Scores (RQS) are calculated by taking a team's top six scores, of which three must be away scores, dropping the best score and averaging the remaining five. ASU's current RQS is based on averaging road scores at Utah State (196.100), California (195.025) and Washington (194.800), plus home scores at the UNO's Classic (195.800) and vs. Stanford (195.450). Its record total vs. Arizona (197.850) is dropped.

Recent Results --

Although held back by a team deduction on bars and a pair of falls on beam, the Sun Devils earned their best road score of the season, 196.100, to defeat Utah State (195.425) and Southern Utah (195.275) for the second time this season. ASU's highest score of the meet was a 9.925 on beam by sophomore Amber Giorgianni in just her second performance back after missing almost a year due to a torn ACL. For her efforts, Giorgianni was named the Pac-10's Gymnast of the Week for March 4-11.

Up Next --

While entire regional fields will be announced Monday, March 25, as meet host, Arizona State is guaranteed to compete at home at the NCAA South Central Regional, April 6 at Wells Fargo Arena. The competition begins at 6:00 p.m. The top-two teams at each regional advance to the NCAA Championships in Tuscaloosa, Ala., April 18-20.

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GymInfo Rankings (March 18)

Rank	Team	2002 RQS
1.	UCLA	197.850
2.	Alabama	197.050
3.	Georgia	196.975
4.	Utah	196.885
5.	Michigan	196.795
6.	Oklahoma	196.590
7.	Nebraska	196.570
8.	Iowa State	196.415
9.	L.S.U.	196.335
10.	Stanford	196.210
11.	Minnesota	196.200
12.	Arizona	195.780
13.	Denver	195.770
14.	Oregon State	195.735
15.	Brigham Young	195.460
16.	Arizona State	195.435
17.	Iowa	195.430
18.	Florida	195.405
19.	Kentucky	195.280
20.	Michigan State	195.070
21.	Penn State	195.015
22.	N.C. State	194.985
23.	Bowling Green	194.960
24.	Central Michigan	194.920
25.	West Virginia	194.825

ASU Week-by-Week

Date	Rank	Score
Jan. 1	9th	582 votes
Jan. 14	19th	193.350
Jan. 21	nr	193.350
Jan. 28	19th	193.642
Feb. 4	17th	193.987
Feb. 11	16th	194.350
Feb. 18	16th	194.425
Feb. 25	15th	194.645
Mar. 4	17th	195.135
Mar. 11	13th	195.435
Mar. 18	16th	195.435
Mar. 25	----	----
Apr. 1	----	----
Apr. 6	----	----

Note about the rankings:
 1/1 -- Ranked by Vote of Coaches
 1/14, 1/21 -- Ranked by Highest Score
 1/28 - 2/18 -- Ranked by Total Season Avg.
 2/25 -- Ranked by Regional Qualifying Score

All-American Laura Moon (senior) --

Having battled back from preseason knee surgery, Laura Moon has hit all eight of her routines this season for 9.8 or better. She made her season debut on bars at the UNO's Classic (Feb. 8) scoring a 9.825. She has competed on bars in each of the four meets since with a high score of 9.85 (Feb. 15 vs. Washington) and a season average of 9.825. Three meets ago, Moon made her comeback on beam, debuting for a 9.8 at the Masters Classic (Feb. 23). In ASU's meet vs. Arizona (Mar. 1), after scoring a 9.8 on bars Moon earned a career best 9.95 on beam. As her knee continues to strengthen, she may be able to compete on floor by season's end. Last year, her first as a Sun Devil after two team-MVP stints with the University of Maryland, Moon wasted no time working her way into the ASU record books. Against Auburn, in one of her 11 appearances in the all-around, Moon earned a school record total of 39.600. Helping her to that sum was Moon's second perfect 10.0 score on the uneven bars, causing her to join Danna Lister as the only Sun Devils ever to record a pair of perfect marks in the same season (Lister earned two 10.0s on beam in 1994). Moon also had season highs of 9.825 on vault, 9.925 on beam and 9.925 on floor. Out of a combined 49 routines, Moon scored 9.9 or better 11 times. At the NCAA Championships, Moon earned second-team All-America honors with her 17th-place finish in the all-around, scoring 39.100.

All-American Maggie Germaine (sophomore) --

Last season, Maggie Germaine was the only Sun Devil to compete in the all-around at all 13 meets, hitting an impressive 46-of-52 routines, including 41 of her last 44. Through seven meets this season, Germaine continued her all-around role. Yet while 17 of her 21 combined routines on vault, bars and floor had gone for 9.8 or better, Germaine was 0-7 on beam, suffering a fall on the apparatus at each meet. Germaine was removed from the beam lineup for the first time of her career vs. Arizona (Mar. 1) and responded by tying her career-high on bars with a 9.9, while improving her career bests on vault and floor from 9.925s to 9.95s. Germaine has 2002 averages of 9.786 (v), 9.841 (ub), 9.210 (bb), 9.863 (fx) and 38.785 (aa). In 2001, Germaine was named ASU's co-MVP with Laura Moon after becoming the first Sun Devil freshman to earn All-America honors since Elizabeth Reid in 1997 (second-team, vault). Her season-best all-around total of 39.550, scored against Arizona, tied her with Amy Shelton (1997) for third all-time at ASU. Her event-by-event highs were 9.925 on vault, 9.9 on bars, 9.875 on beam and 9.925 on floor. Seven of Germaine's final 28 routines were scored at 9.9 or better.

Ashley Ellsberry (junior) --

Who is the Sun Devils' next All-America candidate? Look no further than Ashley Ellsberry, ASU's most consistent beam and floor artist over the past two seasons. On beam, Ellsberry has a pair of 9.9s and a 9.925 to stand as her season bests and has hit 19 of her last 21 routines over the past two seasons. On floor, where she has hit 20 of her last 21 routines, she has scored 9.85 or better six times this season, including a career best 9.925. Ellsberry has added bars to her resume in 2002, hitting five of seven routines for 9.75-or-higher, including her career best 9.875 in ASU's last meet at Utah State. Last year, after suffering falls on beam and floor in the season opener, Ellsberry responded by hitting her final 24 routines, scoring at 9.8 or better 17 times.

RQS • Defined

Beginning Feb. 25, team and individual rankings were determined by a Regional Qualifying Score (RQS).

To compute RQS, gather the top six scores of the season, of which at least three must be away-scores (no more than three home scores). Of those six scores, drop the highest mark, add the remaining scores and then divide the sum by five.

The RQS system helps seed the top 18 teams into NCAA Regionals. However, because ASU is hosting the South Central Regional (April 6), the Sun Devils are assured to stay in Tempe for their shot at an NCAA Championships berth.

2002 Arizona State Women's Gymnastics Roster

Name	Ht	Yr/Ex	Hometown (High School/Club Team/Prev. Univ.)
Jada Cox	5-5	So/1V	Union City, Ga. (Westlake/Atlanta School of Gymn.)
Carla DeMartini	5-0	So/1V	Petaluma, Calif. (Casa Grande/Rohnert Park/Oklahoma)
Trisha Dixon	5-5	Fr/HS	Fair Oaks, Calif. (Del Campo/Lescission)
Ashley Ellsberry	5-3	Jr/2V	Cincinnati, Ohio (Sycamore/Queen City)
Nicole Gause	5-3	Fr/HS	College Station, Texas (West Houston/Browns Gymn.)
Maggie Germaine	5-8	So/1V	Mesa, Ariz. (Mountain View/Desert Lights)
Amber Giorgianni	5-6	So/1V	San Jose, Calif. (Santa Teresa/Airborne)
Melissa Lewis	5-2	Jr/2V	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Desert Mountain/Xtreme/CS Fullerton)
Laura Moon	5-3	Sr/3V	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Saguaro (AZ)/Desert Devils/U. Maryland)
Kari Muth	5-4	Fr/HS	Mesa, Ariz. (Mesa/Desert Lights)
Rhonda Robinette	5-2	Sr/3V	Mesa, Ariz. (Red Mountain/Desert Lights)
Cassidy Vreeke	5-4	Jr/2V	Salt Lake City, Utah (Murray/Rocky Mountain)
Margaret Wojciak	5-5	Jr/2V	Lockport, Ill. (Lockport Township/Gym-Kinetics)

Head Coach: John Spini (22nd year)

Assistant Coaches: Shelly Eaton (1st year), Bruce McGehee (3rd year)

Undergrad Assistant Coach: Kristin Fanning (1st year)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Roe Kreutzer (11th year)

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ASU All-Time Team High Scores

1. Arizona (3/01/02)	197.850
2. @ Arizona (3/2/01)	197.450
3t. UNO's Classic (2/23/01)	197.125
3t. vs. Washington (1/31/97)	
5. @ NCAA's (4/18/97)	196.850
6. @ Stanford (2/9/01)	196.725
7. vs. Southern Utah (2/14/97)	196.675
8. vs. UCLA (1/26/01)	196.350
9. vs. UCLA (2/12/99)	196.325
10. vs. Auburn (3/9/01)	196.150

ASU Team Lows -- 1997-present

1. @ Maui Invitational (1/10/98)	191.000
2. @ UCLA, w/Den., UCSB (1/18/98)	191.175
3. @ Maui Invitational (1/5/01)	191.525
4. @ UCLA (1/28/00)	191.575
@ California (1/30/98)	
6. @ Oregon State (1/17/97)	191.700
7. @ Southern Utah (1/29/99)	191.875
8. @ California (1/21/00)	191.925
9. @ UCLA (1/20/02)	192.125
10. vs. Washington (1/15/99)	193.150

ASU All-Time Event Records

Vault: @ Midwest Regional (4/4/98)	49.575
Bars: @ Arizona (3/2/01)	49.425
Beam: vs. Arizona (3/1/02)	49.650
Floor: @ Arizona (3/2/01)	49.625
All-A: Laura Moon (3/9/01)	39.600

ASU All-Time Perfect-10 Scores

Vault -- (3)	
Tina Brinkman.....	1994
Carie Courtney.....	1997, 1998
Bars -- (3)	
Jenny Ester	1993
Laura Moon.....	2001(x2)
Beam -- (6)	
Danna Lister	1993, 1994(x2), 1995
Lisa Vincijanovic	1997
Rhonda Robinette.....	2002
Floor -- (4)	
Tina Brinkman.....	1992
Meagan Wright	1997
Elizabeth Reid	1998
Elizabeth McNabb	1999

ASU Perfect-10 Scores By Year

2002	(Robinette) 1
2001	(Moon, Moon) 2
2000	0
1999	(McNabb) 1
1998	(Courtney, Reid) 2
1997	(Courtney, Vincijanovic, Wright) 3
1996	0
1995	(Lister) 1
1994	(Brinkman, Lister, Lister) 3
1993	(Ester, Lister) 2
1992	(Brinkman) 1

Rhonda Robinette (senior) --

One of two seniors on the squad, Rhonda Robinette saved her best for last. In the final regular season home meet of her career, Robinette scored a perfect-10.0 on beam vs. Arizona. The 16th perfect score in ASU history, sixth all-time on beam and first on beam since 1997, Robinette's effort improved her personal best from a 9.925. After coming out of the gate slowly, four of Robinette's last six beam routines have earned 9.85s or better. She is also enjoying one of her most productive seasons on bars, hitting the 9.8 plateau four times including a career-high 9.85 vs. California. Last year, Robinette appeared on beam in all 13 meets, and competed on bars seven times. One of her two season-high 9.8s on bars was turned in at the NCAA Central Regional. On beam, Robinette suffered only three falls, with the rest of her 10 routines all going for 9.8 or better.

Cassidy Vreeke (junior) --

A huge factor in ASU's record-setting performance vs. Arizona was Cassidy Vreeke, who went for 9.9 on floor while improving her all-time bests on vault and beam from 9.875s to 9.925s. Vreeke followed that performance by scoring a 9.7 on vault, 9.825 on beam and 9.9 on floor at Utah State. Save the Washington meet, which she sat out due to injury, Vreeke has appeared on vault and floor in every meet, and on beam in seven of nine meets. On floor, three of her last four routines have scored a 9.9 or higher. Last season at the Pac-10 Championships, Vreeke earned ASU's highest score of the meet with her career best 9.95.

Margaret Wojciak (junior) --

As a junior, Margaret Wojciak is putting together arguably the best season of her career. She has a pair of career-high tying 9.9s on bars and has scored above her previous career high of 9.75 on floor three times, with a best of 9.875 recorded vs. Washington. Also at Washington, despite taking a fall on beam, Wojciak improved her best in the all-around to 38.650. She has hit five of seven vaults this year and is coming off back-to-back 9.8s. On bars, she has scored no worse than a 9.75 over her last six routines. Last year, Wojciak posted eight scores at 9.8 or better on bars with three 9.9s, and scored a pair of career-high 9.8s on beam at the NCAA Regional and NCAA Championships (semifinal).

Youth Movement --

In its quest to return to the NCAA Championships, ASU is relying heavily on the performances of its three freshman, Trisha Dixon (Fair Oaks, Calif.), Nicole Gause (College Station, Texas) and Kari Muth (Mesa, Ariz.). Dixon has been the most consistent, with only two falls in 20 routines. Her strongest meet of the season was the UNO's Classic in which she set career bests of 9.8 on vault and 9.9 on beam (other bests: 9.675 (ub), 9.525 (fx) and 38.500 (aa)). She has found consistency on vault, hitting her last four attempts for 9.725 or better. Gause has competed seven times on vault, led by two scores of 9.8, and once on floor (9.5). She has been hampered by a sprained ankle. Muth has been the most dynamic rookie, competing on bars, beam and floor in all but one meet this season. She is coming off back-to-back solid performances: 9.9 (ub), 9.85 (bb), 9.925 (fx) vs. Arizona; 9.775 (ub), 9.875 (bb), 9.9 (fx) at Utah State.

Important Imports --

ASU welcomed a pair of transfers in the off-season, and both sophomore Carla DeMartini and junior Melissa Lewis have made an impact in 2002. DeMartini, who spent her freshman season at the University of Oklahoma, sat out the first meet of the season but has been an important part of ASU's floor lineup since with a 9.737 average, including a career-best 9.9 at the UNO's Classic. Her last three vaults have earned two 9.875s and a 9.825, and on her last routine on bars scored a 9.825. Lewis comes to ASU from Cal State Fullerton and has added depth to ASU's vault lineup. She suffered a fall (9.375) in her only competitive performance, but has exhibition scores of 9.6 and 9.65.

	Vault	Bars	Beam	Floor	All-Around
Maggie Germaine -- So.	(9.95)	(9.9)	(9.875)	(9.95)	(39.550)
Utah State (1/11)	9.750	9.800	9.275	9.900	38.725
UCLA (1/20)	9.250	9.750	9.325	9.875	38.200
Stanford (1/25)	9.850	9.875	9.300	9.900	38.925
California (2/3)	9.825	9.850	9.175	9.850	38.700
UNO's Classic (2/8)	9.850	9.875	9.175	9.900	38.800
Washington (2/15)	9.900	9.800	9.150	9.875	38.725
Masters Classic (2/23)	9.825	9.825	9.075	9.700	38.425
Arizona (3/1)	<u>9.950</u>	<u>9.900</u>	--	<u>9.950</u>	--
Utah State (3/8)	9.875	9.875	--	9.825	--
Pac-10 Championships (3/23)	--	--	--	--	--
NCAA South Central Regional (4/6)	--	--	--	--	--
Total Points	88.075	88.575	64.475	88.775	271.500
Average:	9.786	9.841	9.210	9.863	38.785

Margaret Wojciak -- Jr.	Vault	Bars	Beam	Floor	All-Around
Utah State (1/11)	9.825	(9.9)	(9.8)	(9.875)	(38.650)
UCLA (1/20)	9.775	9.675	--	9.200	--
Stanford (1/25)	9.575	9.425	9.075	--	--
California (2/3)	9.800	<u>9.900</u>	--	9.775	--
UNO's Classic (2/8)	9.550	9.825	--	--	--
Washington (2/15)	9.725	<u>9.900</u>	--	9.825	--
Masters Classic (2/23)	9.700	<u>9.750</u>	9.325	<u>9.875</u>	<u>38.650</u>
Arizona (3/1)	--	--	--	--	--
Utah State (3/8)	9.800	9.775	--	--	--
Pac-10 Championships (3/23)	9.800	9.875	--	--	--
NCAA South Central Regional (4/6)	--	--	--	--	--
Total Points	77.725	78.125	18.400	38.675	38.650
Average:	9.715	9.765	9.200	9.668	38.650

2002 Team Highs

Arizona (3/1)
Stanford (1/25)
Utah State/Southern Utah (3/8)

UNO's Classic (2/8)	49.300
Arizona (3/1)	49.225
Masters Classic (2/23)	49.100

Arizona (3/1)
California (2/3)
Utah State/Southern Utah (3/8)

Arizona (3/1)
UNO's Classic (2/8)
Utah State/Southern Utah (3/8)

Arizona (3/1)
Utah State/Southern Utah (3/8)
UNO's Classic (2/8)

UCLA (1/20)	47.600
California (2/3)	48.475
Washington (2/15)	48.725

UCLA (1/20)	48.200
Utah State (1/11)	48.475
California (2/3)	49.000

UCLA (1/20)	47.300
Masters Classic (2/23)	47.850
Washington (2/15)	48.000

Utah State (1/11)	48.050
California (2/3)	48.575
Masters Classic (2/23)	48.850

UCLA (1/20)	192.125
Utah State (1/11)	193.350
Masters Classic (2/23)	194.600

Arizona State Women's Gymnastics Individual Highs/Lows

-- 2002 Individual Highs --

Vault

Maggie Germaine (3/1)	9.95
Jada Cox (3/1)	9.925
Cassidy Vreeke (3/1)	
Jada Cox (1/25)	9.9
Maggie Germaine (2/15)	
Carla DeMartini (3/1)(3/8)	9.875
Maggie Germaine (3/8)	
Maggie Germaine (1/25)(2/8)	9.85
Carla DeMartini (2/23)	9.825
Maggie Germaine (2/3)(2/23)	

Uneven Bars

Maggie Germaine (3/1)	9.9
Kari Muth (2/8)(3/1)	
Margaret Wojciak (1/25)(2/8)	
Ashley Ellsberry (3/8)	9.875
Maggie Germaine (1/25)(2/8)(3/8)	
Kari Muth (1/25)(2/15)(2/23)	
Margaret Wojciak (3/8)	
Maggie Germaine (2/3)	9.85
Laura Moon (2/15)	
Rhonda Robinette (2/3)	

Balance Beam

Rhonda Robinette (3/1)	10.0
Laura Moon (3/1)	9.95
Ashley Ellsberry (3/1)	9.925
Cassidy Vreeke (3/1)	
Trisha Dixon (2/8)	9.9
Ashley Ellsberry (1/25)(2/8)	
Kari Muth (3/8)	9.875
Rhonda Robinette (2/15)(2/23)	
Ashley Ellsberry (1/11)(2/15)	9.85
Kari Muth (3/1)	
Rhonda Robinette (2/3)	
Cassidy Vreeke (2/8)(3/8)	9.825

Floor Exercise

Maggie Germaine (3/1)	9.95
Ashley Ellsberry (2/8)	9.925
Kari Muth (3/1)	
Cassidy Vreeke (2/8)	
Carla DeMartini (2/8)	9.9
Ashley Ellsberry (1/25)(3/1)	
Maggie Germaine (1/11)(1/25)(2/8)	
Kari Muth (3/1)(3/8)	
Cassidy Vreeke (3/1)(3/8)	
Ashley Ellsberry (1/20)(3/1)	9.875
Maggie Germaine (1/20)(2/15)	
Kari Muth (2/3)(2/23)	
Cassidy Vreeke (1/25)	
Margaret Wojciak (2/15)	
Ashley Ellsberry (1/11)	9.85
Maggie Germaine (2/3)	

All-Around

Germaine (1/25)	38.925
Germaine (2/8)	38.800
Germaine (1/11)	38.725
Germaine (2/15)	38.725
Germaine (2/3)	38.700
Wojciak (2/15)	38.650
Dixon (1/11)	38.500
Germaine (2/23)	38.425
Germaine (1/20)	38.200