

April 16, 2002 Contact: Jack Gorman

MEN'S TENNIS

Cal Closes out 2002 Regular Season with Visitors from SoCal

THIS WEEK: Friday, April 19

Saturday, April 20

USC (Pac-10 Match) UCLA (Pac-10 Match) Hellman Tennis Center, Berkeley, Calif. Hellman Tennis Center, Berkeley, Calif. 1:30 p.m. Noon

2002 Cal Scoreboard 16-6 overall. 3-2 Pac-10

Date 2/2 2/7-10	St. Mary's Santa Clara	ime/Result W 6-0 W 4-3							
2/7-10	Illinois#	L, 4-1							
2/8	Indiana State#	L, 4-1 L, 4-3							
2/9	Brown#	W, 4-2							
2/15	Fresno State	W, 7-0							
2/17	at Pepperdine	L. 4-2							
2/20	San Diego	W, 7-0							
2/23	at Stanford	W, 4-3							
2/26	Utah	W, 7-0							
3/1-3	at Pacific Coast Doubles	,							
3/8	Arizona State	W, 6-1							
3/9	Arizona	W, 6-1							
3/16	SMU	W, 6-1							
3/22	Clemson	Rainout							
3/26	BYU	W, 5-2							
3/29	Washington	W, 7-0							
3/30	Oregon	W, 7-0							
4/5	at UCLA	W, 4-3							
4/6	at USC	L, 4-3							
4/9	Stanford	L, 4-3							
4/12	at Arizona	W, 5-2							
4/13	at Arizona State	L, 5-2							
4/15	Pepperdine	W, 6-1							
4/19	USC	1:30 p.m.							
4/20	UCLA	Noon							
	8at Pac-10 Championships 2NCAA Regionals	All Day All Day							
	7 NCAA Regionals	All Day							
BOLD indicates home match at Hellman TC									
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HEAD COACH

Considered one of the best teachers and tacticians in men's collegiate tennis, **Peter Wright** has developed a reputation for getting more out of his players than perhaps any coach in the country.

Wright's coaching talent hasn't gone unnoticed. The 2001 Pac-10 Coach of the Year, he received his first coaching award in 1994 when he was named Wilson/ITA Regional Coach of the Year for guiding the Bears back to postseason play after Cal had missed the Big Dance the previous two seasons. Wright and the Bears have been a fixture in the NCAA Tournament almost every year since, also earning the Pac-10 Coach of the Year honors in 1997.

The ninth coach in the 109-year history of Cal tennis, Wright compiled a 100-80 (.556) career record entering 2002.



END OF THE ROAD: The Bears (16-6, 3-2) complete their 2002 home schedule this weekend at home, facing a challenging two-game series against the Los Angeles schools. Cal takes great momentum into the two matches, having defeated No. 5 Pepperdine on Monday. Last week, the Bears dropped a heartbreaking 4-3 decision to No. 6 Stanford, before splitting in Arizona.

PLAYER/REPORTER: After the team's matches against USC and UCLA this weekend, **Jeff King** will scribe **his first-hand post-match report**, which will be available on www.calbears.com. King, a junior from St. Helena, CA, moved up to the varsity squad from Cal's club team this season, and is 1-0 in dual matches.

ABOUT USC: 33rd-ranked Andrew Park leads the charge for USC (18-4, 4-1). Park has posted a 10-7 record at the top court in 2002. The last time that Cal and USC met came two weeks ago, with the Trojans defeating the Bears in a tough 4-3 match in Los Angeles. USC owns a 113-30-4 advantage in the all-time series.

ABOUT UCLA: The Bruins (18-3, 5-0) are led by No. 10 Tobias Clemens and No. 15 Marcin Matcowski. Two weeks ago, the Bears won their first road match in 49 years against UCLA, stunning the second-ranked Bruins, 4-3. However, UCLA owns the advantage in the all-time series, with a 106-34-1 record against Cal.

MONDAY AGAINST PEPPERDINE: On Monday, Cal destroyed the fifth-ranked Pepperdine Waves, 6-1, in Berkeley. **Balazs Veress** and **Patrick Briaud** won their first five games en route to a 8-5 win in their first match together. In singles, No. 22 **John Paul Fruttero** ran top-ranked Al Garland ragged on court number one, dispatching him in a tough first set before sweeping him in the second set, 7-5, 6-0. Veress, ranked 83rd, ended the day with an upset of his own, dropping Stefan Suter in a pair of tiebreak 7-6 sets. **Ben Miles** improved his record to 6-0, playing on the sixth court and taking an impressive 7-5, 6-7, 7-6 win over Graeff.

LAST WEEK AGAINST STANFORD: Cal's bid to sweep Stanford for the first time since 1962 fell one point short last Wednesday, as the Cardinal exacted revenge by defeating the Bears in a heartbreaking 4-3 loss before a packed house at Hellman. Fruttero played Stanford's K.J. Hippensteel at No. 1 singles, but the fourth-ranked Hippensteel battled back for a three-set victory. Fruttero led 4-1 in the third set before losing the match, 7-6, 2-6, 4-6. Cal's three points came from wins on the Nos. 4 through 6 courts, including three-set wins from Wayne Wong and Mik Ledvonova.

LAST WEEK AGAINST ARIZONA: Cal rebounded from its tough 4-3 loss to Stanford to defeat conference rival Arizona on Friday, sweeping the season series. After the Wildcats took the doubles point, Veress took the top court to give Fruttero a rest. At the second spot, freshman **Conor Niland** continued his impressive rookie season, dropping Whi Kim in straight sets, 6-1, 6-4. Cal swept through the remaining singles courts, rounding out the win with a rare singles appearance by Miles, who performed like he lived on the sixth court, winning 7-6, 6-4 over Colin O'Grady.

LAST WEEK AGAINST ARIZONA STATE: On Saturday, the team was upset by the No. 38 Arizona State squad, 5-2. The Sun Devils clinched the doubles point by beating Cal's Fruttero and **Robert Kowalczyk** in a 9-8 (11) tiebreak win. In singles, Fruttero's aversion to tiebreaks continued, as he was defeated in a threeset match that was completed in a 7-6(6) near-deadlock. Veress got things back on track on the second court, winning in straight sets, 6-1, 6-1. Kowalczyk rebounded from a rough start to defeat Olivier Charroin, 0-6, 6-3, 6-2.

2002 California Men's Tennis Dual Match Results

ITA Rank: 17

Pac-10 Record: 3-2 Overall Record: 16-6

					Singles					Doubles			Cal	Opp.	
Date	Opponent	Score/Time	Rec.	Pac-10	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	Rank	Rank
Feb. 2	St. Mary's W		1-0	0-0	W	W	W	W	W	W	DNP			11	NR
Feb. 2	Santa Clara	W 4-3	2-0	0-0	W	L	L	W	W	L	W	W	L	11	75
Feb. 7-10	at National Team Indoo														
Feb. 7	vs. Illinois#	L 4-1	2-1	0-0	L	L	L	NF	L	NF	L	W	W	11	6
Feb. 8	vs. Indiana State#	L 4-3	2-2	0-0	W	L	L	L	L	W	W	W	NF	11	27
Feb. 9	vs. Brown#	W 4-2	3-2	0-0	W	W	L	NF	W	W	NF	L	L	11	53
Feb. 15	Fresno State	W 7-0	4-2	0-0	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	18	44
Feb. 17	at Pepperdine	4-3	0-0	L	L	W	L	W	L	DN	Р		18	9	
Feb. 20	San Diego	W 6-1	5-3	0-0	W	W	W	W	L	W	L	W	W	17	49
Feb. 23	at Stanford	W 4-3	6-3	0-0	W	L	W	L	W	W	W	L	L	17	1
Feb. 26	Utah	W 7-0	7-3	0-0	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	W	11	NR
Mar. 1-3	at Pacific Coast Double	es													
Mar. 8	Arizona State	W 6-1	8-3	0-0	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	L	10	43
Mar. 9	Arizona	W 6-1	9-3	0-0	L	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	W	10	47
Mar. 16	vs. SMU	W 6-1	10-3	0-0	W	W	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	11	39
Mar. 22	Clemson	Rainout	10-3	0-0										20	55
Mar. 26	BYU	W 5-2	11-3	0-0	W	W	L	W	L	W	L	W	W	20	62
Mar. 29	Washington	W 7-0	12-3	1-0	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	20	26
Mar. 30	Oregon	W 7-0	13-3	2-0	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	20	52
Apr. 5	at UCLA	W 4-3	14-3	2-0	W	L	W	L	W	W	L	L		22	2
Apr. 6	at USC	L 4-3	14-4	2-0	L	L	W	L	W	L	L	W	W	22	19
Apr. 9	Stanford	L 4-3	14-5	2-1	L	L	L	W	W	W	W	L	L	17	6
Apr. 12	at Arizona	W 5-2	15-5	3-1	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	L	17	59
Apr. 13	at Arizona State	L 5-2	15-6	3-2	L	W	L	L	W	L	L	W	L	17	38
Apr. 15	Pepperdine	W 6-1	16-6	3-2	W	W	W	L	W	W	W	L	W	17	5
Apr. 19	USC	1:30 p.m.													
Apr. 20	UCLA	Noon													

Apr. 25-28 at Pac-10 Championships May 11-12 NCAA Regionals May 18-27 at NCAA Championships Home matches at Hellman Tennis Complex are listed in BOLD

#denotes National Team Indoors

Individual Results										
Singles	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	Dual Total	Tourneys	All Matches	
John Paul Fruttero	13-6						13-6	0-0	13-6	
Balazs Veress	2-1	8-5	3-2				13-8	6-4	19-12	
Conor Niland		3-0	5-2	2-2	2-2		12-6	2-3	14-9	
Wayne Wong		3-2	5-3	3-4			11-9	10-4	21-13	
Robert Kowalczyk			1-0	6-1	9-2		16-3	0-2	16-5	
Mik Ledvonova		0-1		2-0	5-0	6-2	13-3	0-2	13-5	
Chase Exon			0-1			5-1	5-2	7-6	12-8	
Ben Miles					1-0	5-0	6-0	0-1	6-1	
Kevin Patrick					1-0		1-0	5-10	6-10	
Patrick Briaud						0-1	0-1	8-5	8-6	
Jeff King						1-0	1-0	2-8	3-8	
Dean Wallace							0-0	7-5	7-5	
Doubles		No. 1	No. 2	No. 3			Dual Total	Tourneys	All Matches	
Fruttero/Kowalczyk		8-6	1-1				9-7	0-0	9-7	
Miles/Veress		2-3	10-4				12-7	0-0	12-7	
Exon/Niland				6-4			6-4	1-1	7-5	
Kowalczyk/Wong			1-1				1-1	0-1	1-2	
Fruttero/Wong			1-0				1-0	0-0	1-0	
Miles/Niland			0-1				0-1	0-0	0-1	
Exon/Ledvonova				1-2			1-2	1-0	2-2	
Exon/Wong				2-1			2-1	0-0	2-1	
Briaud/Exon				1-0			1-0	0-0	1-0	
Briaud/Veress				1-0			1-0	0-0	1-0	
Briaud/Patrick							0-0	2-4	2-5	
Exon/Veress							0-0	2-1	2-1	
King/Patrick							0-0	0-2	0-2	
King/Veress							0-0	0-2	0-2	
King/Wallace							0-0	1-1	1-1	
Niland/Wong							0-0	0-1	0-1	
Wallace/Wong							0-0	1-3	1-3	
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