

2006 GOLDEN BEAR SOCCER

BEAR FACTS

Location: Berkeley, CA
Enrollment: 33,000
Founded: 1868
Nickname: Golden Bears
Colors: Blue (282) and Gold (116)
Conference: Pacific-10
Stadium (cap.): Edwards Stadium (22,000)
Field (surface): Goldman Field (natural grass)
Director of Athletics: Sandy Barbour
Deputy Director of Athletics/SWA: Teresa Kuehn Gould
Head Coach (Alma Mater): Kevin Grimes (SMU, 1990)
Record at Cal/Career: 68-45-12/same
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Pac-10 Record/Finish: 6-3-1/2nd
Last NCAA Appearance: 2005 - Quarterfinals
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 19/8
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/5
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2006 CAL MEN'S SOCCER SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 25	San Francisco (<i>Bay Area Classic</i>)	Berkeley, Calif.	2:30 p.m.
Aug. 27	Santa Clara (<i>Bay Area Classic</i>)	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 1	FIU (<i>adidas SMU Classic</i>)	Dallas, Texas	5:00 p.m. CT
Sept. 2	SMU (<i>adidas SMU Classic</i>)	Dallas, Texas	7:30 p.m. CT
Sept. 8	Cal State Fullerton (<i>Stanford Tournament</i>)	Stanford, Calif.	5:00 p.m.
Sept. 10	San Jose State (<i>Stanford Tournament</i>)	San Jose, Calif.	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 15	Dartmouth (<i>adidas Cal Legacy Classic</i>)	Berkeley, Calif.	2:30 p.m.
Sept. 15	Stanford vs. Sacramento State (<i>adidas Cal Legacy Classic</i>)	Berkeley, Calif.	12:00 p.m.
Sept. 17	Sacramento State (<i>adidas Cal Legacy Classic</i>)	Berkeley, Calif.	2:30 p.m.
Sept. 17	Stanford vs. Dartmouth (<i>adidas Cal Legacy Classic</i>)	Berkeley, Calif.	12:00 p.m.
Sept. 22	UCLA*	Berkeley, Calif.	3:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	San Diego State*	Berkeley, Calif.	1:00 p.m.
Sept. 30	Stanford*	Berkeley, Calif.	2:30 p.m.
Oct. 6	Oregon State*	Corvallis, Ore.	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 8	Washington*	Seattle, Wash.	1:00 p.m.
Oct. 13	Oregon State*	Berkeley, Calif.	1:00 p.m.
Oct. 15	Washington*	Berkeley, Calif.	2:30 p.m.
Oct. 27	San Diego State*	San Diego, Calif.	3:00 p.m.
Oct. 29	UCLA*	Los Angeles, Calif.	2:30 p.m.
Nov. 3	Stanford*	Stanford, Calif.	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 11	NCAA Tournament First Round	TBA	TBA
Nov. 15	NCAA Tournament Second Round	TBA	TBA
Nov. 19	NCAA Tournament Round of 16	TBA	TBA
Nov. 25	NCAA Tourn. Quarterfinal Round	TBA	TBA
Dec. 1-3	NCAA College Cup	St. Louis, Mo.	TBA

Home games in **bold** played at Edwards Stadium/Goldman Field (cap. 22,000).

All times are local to the host institution.

*Pac-10 Conference game

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2006 SEASON OUTLOOK

Coming off their most successful postseason campaign in school history, the California Golden Bears seek to continue their success in 2006, the 100th year of Cal men's soccer. Seventh-year head coach **Kevin Grimes** will look to a six-member senior class to lead his Bears.

Last season, Grimes' squad produced a 14-4-3 record, a 6-3-1 Pac-10 mark and a second-place conference finish. A fifth straight NCAA tournament appearance led to the overall No. 7 seed in the NCAA tournament, a first-round bye, a second-round tie with Santa Clara, 0-0 (Cal advanced, 5-4, on penalties) and a sweet 16 win over Wake Forest, 3-2 (2OT), which was Cal's fourth postseason victory in school history.

Cal lost six seniors and five starters from 2005 but retains a talented group of 14 returning letterwinners. Senior midfielder **Nick Hatzke** returns from a 2005 redshirt season due to injury and will be a key for the Bears. The product of San Jose, Calif., was Cal's leading scorer, with 22 points, in 2004.

Leading the way among the 2005 returners is junior midfielder **Andrew Jacobson**, a first-team All-Pac-10 selection and Cal's top returning scorer (4 goals, 7 assists, 15 points) from 2005. Jacobson was second to current junior midfielder/forward **Luke Sassano** in assists, as the latter had eight, along with two goals and 12 points, last year. Sassano and senior midfielder **Eric Ebert** were 2005 honorable mention All-Pac-10 picks. Another senior, defender/midfielder **Steve Purdy**, was a second-team All-Pac-10 pick in 2005.

"We are all looking forward to the 2006 season," Grimes said. "The 2005 season had some great moments and great success. We hope to continue that momentum with our program and in particular in the 2006 season."

FORWARDS

Junior **Javier Ayala-Hil**, junior **Jacob Wilson** and senior **Matt Holtrust** give Cal options for another strong frontline. Hil has the most experience, having played in 29 games, including nine starts as a sophomore. First-year forward **Chris Cortez** honed his skills with the Pateadores Soccer Club, one of the strongest youth clubs in the nation. Pateadores has also produced several veteran Cal players, including junior defender **Jeff Serafini** and senior goalkeeper **Mike Oseguera**.

"Our forward line is creative and talented,"

Grimes said. "Javier Ayala-Hil, Jacob Wilson and Matt Holtrust all have a great opportunity to have great seasons for Cal this year. We also have a younger forward in Chris Cortez who will add quality depth up front."

MIDFIELDERS

This could be the strongest area of the team for Cal. Hatzke is the most experienced Bears midfielder and returns for his fifth season after redshirting last season with an injury. In 2004, Hatzke's last competitive season, he was Cal's leading scorer (22 points) and led the Bears in goals (7), assists (8) and gamewinning goals (4).

The return of Hatzke will give the Cal midfield plenty of playmaking options, as returning starters Jacobson and Luke Sassano combined for 15 assists last season.

"Our midfield has always been the strength of our team, particularly the depth," Grimes said. "We have plenty of players who can contribute this year. Nick Hatzke will return this season and Andrew Jacobson, Eric Ebert and Luke Sassano all made great strides in 2005 and look to have breakout years."

Other Bears who will add depth in midfield include sophomores **Michael Nieraeth**, **Pat Marion** and **Ian Ebert** along with freshmen **Anthony Avalos**, **Patrick Dolan**, **Hector Jimenez**, **Imaan Kerchгани** and **Evan Sassano**, the younger brother of Luke Sassano. Jimenez and Kerchгани bring strong credentials to Berkeley.

Jimenez, an attacking midfielder from Bell Gardens, Calif., was a member of the U.S. U-17 national team in 2004-05, while Kerchгани, from San Jose, Calif., was part of a Santa Clara Sporting Ruckus club that won the U-18 Cal-North state championship this past summer. Avalos and Evan Sassano played on that state championship team with Kerchгани. Brothers Ian and Eric Ebert, meanwhile, are both members of the Irvine Strikers, one of the top youth clubs in the nation that has produced several veteran Cal players and recent graduates.

DEFENDERS

Seniors Purdy and **Andrew Felder** will provide plenty of veteran leadership in the Bears' backline. Purdy, who has started 62 games in his Cal career, added second-team All-Pac-10 team honors as a junior to two previous All-Pac-10 honorable mention accolades. Meanwhile, Felder, who became a full-time starter last season,

earned All-America first-team honors from the *Jewish Sports Review*.

Sophomore **Tyler Barry** and Serafini, a junior who has youth national team experience, will help round out the defense. Freshman **Josh Leon** will provide depth in what has been a stingy backline under Grimes.

"The adjustments we have made this past spring in our backline have turned out to be great ones," Grimes said. "With the presence of Steve Purdy, Tyler Barry, Andrew Felder and Jeff Serafini, our back four hasn't missed a beat. **Kyle Rice** and a slew of incoming freshmen also look to make a significant contribution to the back four."

GOALKEEPERS

Three players – Oseguera, junior **Justin Myers** and redshirt freshman **Stefan Frei** – will battle for the starting spot. Oseguera has the most experience of the returning goalkeepers, having started 17 and played 18 games as a redshirt freshman in 2003. The Huntington Beach, Calif., product posted a 0.96 GAA and seven shutouts; each mark ranked second in the Pac-10 that season. He also had 58 saves that season, when he earned All-Pac-10 honorable mention honors.

"All three of our goalkeepers have great qualities in their games," said Grimes. "This position has the most competition for playing time out of any other on the field."

SCHEDULE

Grimes has compiled yet another challenging schedule in 2006, with Cal playing six teams (Dartmouth, UCLA, SMU, San Francisco, Santa Clara and San Diego State) that reached the 2005 NCAA Tournament. The Bears play two of those teams – the Broncos and Mustangs – on the road. SMU, Grimes' alma mater, reached the College Cup and lost to eventual champion Maryland in one semifinal.

UCLA and San Diego State combined with Cal to give the Pac-10 three teams in the postseason. All three also ended the season in *Soccer America's* top 25 national rankings, with UCLA ranked eighth, Cal ranked 11th and San Diego State ranked 22nd. Cal, which reached the elite eight, forged deeper into the tournament than the Bruins, who lost in the second round, and the Aztecs, who lost in the first round.

"Once again Cal is going to have a top 10 strength of schedule ranking," Grimes said. "Our players and coaches wouldn't want it any other way."

CALIFORNIA HEAD COACH

Kevin GRIMES

Seventh Year at Cal



Head coach Kevin Grimes enters his seventh season as the leader of the California men's soccer program after coming off his best season as a Golden Bear and his second Pac-10 Coach

of the Year award (2002 and 2005).

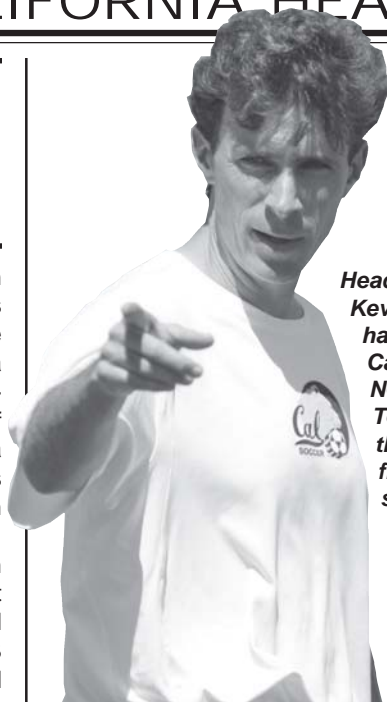
Grimes led the Golden Bears to their fifth consecutive NCAA Tournament appearance and along the way achieved his 60th career victory in a 3-1 win over UAB on Sept. 24, 2005. Only three other Cal coaches have reached the 60-win plateau, and Grimes' 68 total wins rank him fourth on the all-time list. Legendary Cal player and coach Bob DiGrazia tops the list with 202 career victories.

The 2005 season featured Cal's best postseason campaign in school history and Cal's best winning percentage (.738, 14-4-3 record) since 1985 (.750, 16-5-1). The Bears reached the elite eight of the NCAA tournament, surpassing the 2002 Grimes-led squad that reached the tournament's sweet 16. Cal played another slate of nationally ranked teams, beating fourth-ranked UC Santa Barbara, 2-0, seventh-ranked Santa Clara, 1-0, and 16th-ranked San Diego State, 2-1.

The 2004 season featured an overtime victory over No. 17 Santa Clara to advance to the second round of the NCAA tournament. Cal finished the season at 13-4-3 and tied for second in the Pac-10 at 4-3-1. The Bears matched a program-high nine-game unbeaten streak to start the season. Late in the season Cal had two exciting double-overtime victories, beating Stanford, 3-2, and edging No. 5 Washington, 1-0.

In 2003, Grimes led the Bears to their third consecutive NCAA tournament, beating San Jose State, 2-0, to advance to the second round of the tournament. Cal finished the season 11-9-2 (5-4-1, tied for 3rd Pac-10). Highlights from the season included a two-game sweep of rival Stanford and a four-game winning streak that included two wins over 2003 WAC champion San Jose State.

Grimes led the Bears squad to a 14-6-2 mark in 2002. The season marked Grimes' second consecutive winning



Head Coach Kevin Grimes has taken Cal to the NCAA Tournament the last five seasons.

KEVIN GRIMES' ALL-TIME RECORDS

Year	Postseason	W	L	T
2000	None	6	13	1
2001	NCAA 1st Round	10	9	1
2002	NCAA sweet 16	14	6	2
2003	NCAA 2nd Round	11	9	2
2004	NCAA 2nd Round	13	4	3
2005	NCAA elite eight	14	4	3
Totals		68	45	12

campaign and a berth in the NCAA Tournament's round of 16. He was rewarded by being named the NSCAA/adidas Division I Far West Region Coach of the Year, becoming only the third Bears coach, after DiGrazia (1977) and Bill Coupe (1983), to receive the award.

Regular-season highlights in 2002 included a nine-match winning streak and 1-0 regular-season wins over eventual NCAA finalists UCLA and Stanford. More remarkable was Cal's 10-1-0 home record, serving notice to the country that Goldman Field was not a welcome place to play.

Cal's first postseason victory came in 2002 over UC Santa Barbara, 2-1, in the second round of the NCAA tournament. Although the Bears fell to eventual champion UCLA in the third round, 3-2, they finished the season ranked No. 14 in the country, and Grimes had Cal on its way to becoming one of the premier programs in the nation.

In 2001, Grimes guided Cal to a number of big victories that would later play a vital role in the Bears' first postseason berth in five years. After starting the season 1-3, Cal upset 14th-ranked San Jose State, 3-

2. The win proved to be pivotal as Cal reeled off a six-game unbeaten streak.

Making his first appearance in the NCAA Tournament as the Bears' coach, Grimes faced Santa Clara in the first round. The Bears fell short against the Broncos, 1-0, in triple overtime.

Grimes had bright moments in his first season as coach when he led the Bears to a 1-0 victory over No. 7 UCLA. Grimes guided his team to the biggest win of 2000 when it toppled No. 3 Indiana, 2-1.

Grimes, 38, came to Cal after serving as an assistant coach at his alma mater, Southern Methodist, for three seasons. During his tenure at SMU, the Mustangs recorded a 50-11-2 record and earned three NCAA tournament bids.

Before joining the SMU coaching staff, Grimes spent three seasons (1995-97) as coach of the Mission Viejo (CA) Pateadores Soccer Club, which is one of the nation's premier soccer clubs with numerous players competing at Division I programs across the country. He also coached the Irvine (CA) High School girls' varsity team from 1995-97 and the San Juan (CA) Soccer Club from 1993-94.

Originally from St. Louis, Mo., Grimes was a stellar high school player. In 1986, he was named a *Parade* All-American and *Parade's* National Defender of the Year as a senior at Rosary High School.

As a collegiate athlete, Grimes helped build the SMU program into one of the nation's perennial soccer powers from 1986-89. A two-year team captain, he was a two-time first-team All-American and a two-time finalist for the Hermann Award, which is given annually to the best collegiate men's and women's soccer players. Grimes graduated from SMU in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in economics.

Grimes played with the U.S. national team from 1988-91, acquiring seven full international caps and appearing in more than 50 matches. He went on to play professional soccer for eight years, most recently with the Orange County Zodiac of the A-League in 1997, when he was selected to the A-League All-Star Game in Rochester, N.Y. Grimes spent early 1996 with the former San Jose Clash of Major League Soccer.

Grimes' coaching credentials also include both the U.S. Soccer Federation "A" license and the National Soccer Coaches Association of America's Advanced National license.

Grimes and his wife, Nori, reside in El Cerrito.

ASSISTANT COACHES

Pieter LEHRER

**Assistant Coach
Second Season at Cal**



Pieter Lehrer, who has a long list of coaching experiences, enters his second season at Cal as an assistant coach for the Golden Bears. Lehrer was Cal's volunteer assistant coach last

season.

Lehrer joined the Bears from the University of Evansville in Indiana, where he spent the 2004 season as an assistant coach. Previously, he spent four years as an assistant coach for Stanford from 1999-2001 and in 2003, with three teams making NCAA College Cup appearances. During that time, he was honored with the AFLAC National Assistant Coach of the Year award.

In 2001, he joined the staff of the MLS' Los Angeles Galaxy as an assistant coach. While with the Galaxy, his team was MLS

Cup champion as well as Open Cup champion. Lehrer was also an assistant coach for the ODP U-18 Region IV team, as well as the head coach for the ODP District II team.

Before his coaching days began, Lehrer played collegiate soccer for UCLA and was a member of the 1985 NCAA championship team. He also played professional soccer in Europe from 1986-88.

Lehrer graduated from UCLA in 1990 with a degree in history.

Henry FOULK

**Goalkeeper Coach
Seventh Season at Cal**



Henry Foulk, a nationally regarded goalkeeper at California from 1981-83, returns to his alma mater for a seventh season as the goalkeeper coach.

A three-time All-Pacific Conference selection, Foulk ranks



Bob DiGrazia

CAL'S ALL-TIME COACHING RECORDS

Year	Coach	W	L	T
1906-11	Records not kept			
1912-13	C.Y. Williamson	0	5	1
1914-15	G. DeGamendia	5	4	2
1916	Carl Shafor	5	4	0
1917	F.W. Cozens	3	1	0
1920-24	John Mathews	4	4	1
1925-31	Carl Zamloch	34	17	7
1932	Reginald Downing	1	6	2
1933-51	Julius Schroeder	131	34	29
1952-80	Bob DiGrazia	202	133	39
1981-89	Bill Coupe	113	59	13
1990-92	Dave Chaplik	23	32	5
1993-99	Mark Mallon	62	60	13
2000-	Kevin Grimes	68	45	12
Totals	All coaches	651	404	124

third in Cal history with a lifetime 0.90 goals-against average and fourth with 20 career shutouts. He also ranks among the school's all-time best in the season record books with a 0.74 GAA in 1981 (fourth) and eight shutouts in both 1981 and '83 (fifth).

Foulk was a member of the 1980 U.S. Olympic soccer team, which did not compete in Moscow due to the U.S. boycott of the Games.

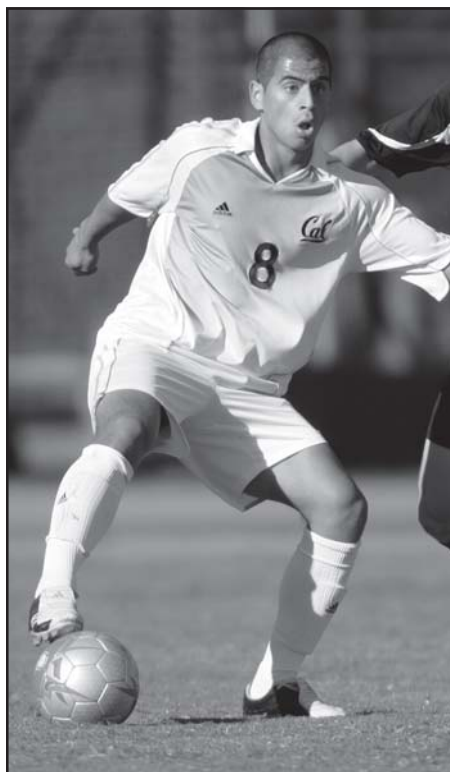
After graduating from Cal in 1984, Foulk gained many years of professional playing experience, including with the NASL's Los Angeles Aztecs, the ASL's Sacramento Gold and with teams in Switzerland and Germany.

Raised in Europe and now a resident of Walnut Creek, Foulk also has several years of coaching experience in the Bay Area. He spent two years as the head boys' varsity coach at De La Salle High School in Concord and the last four and a half years as coach of the Diablo Valley Soccer Club.

Assistant coach Pieter Lehrer (left) and goalkeeper coach Henry Foulk.



MEN'S SOCCER ENDOWMENTS



Javier Ayala-Hil received the Bob DiGrazia Scholarship in 2004.

BOB DIGRAZIA

The Bob DiGrazia Scholarship fund, established in the fall of 2004, honors the legacy of the legendary University of California alum, coach, and administrator, Bob DiGrazia.

Bob DiGrazia was a standout player at California, winning the school's first All American honors in 1950. DiGrazia went on to coach the Golden Bears from 1952-1980, posting a 29-year record of 202-133-39. DiGrazia later served as an administrator at the University.

He is currently the chair of the "Friends of Cal Soccer" booster organization.

The recipient of this year's award is freshman Pat Dolan.

RECIPIENTS

- 2004 – Javier Ayala-Hil
- 2005 – Ryan Villalpando
- 2006 – Pat Dolan

ROLLING THUNDER

The Rolling Thunder Scholarship fund is an endowment established in memory of the late Robert J. Strasser, the former CEO of adidas America and an alumnus of the University of California.

The Rolling Thunder Scholarship is awarded to the men's soccer player(s), as selected by head coach Kevin Grimes,

who best conveys the spirit of Rob Strasser – hard-working individuals who are passionate about soccer and share the belief that athletics teach some of life's basic lessons. Freshman Josh Leon is the recipient of the 2006 Rolling Thunder Scholarship, which dates back to 1995.

The scholarship is dedicated to Strasser's memory and is funded by donations from his many friends and colleagues, including adidas America. The patrons of the Rolling Thunder Scholarship gather annually at the California adidas Classic in Strasser's honor.

A Rolling Thunder Team fund also has been established in conjunction with the scholarship award for the benefit of the men's soccer team. Donations are used for men's soccer expenses, excluding travel and equipment.

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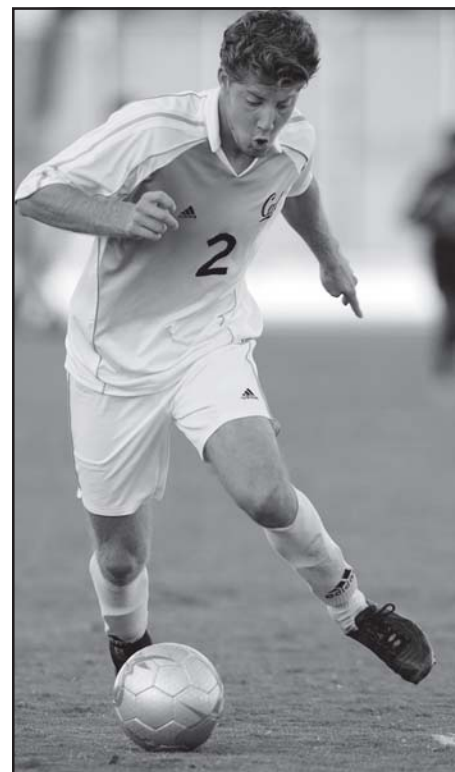
- 1995 – Brandon Moggio
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- 1996 – Doug Brooks, Chap Early
- 1997 – Ramiro Arredondo
- 1998 – Brian Purcell
- 1999 – Jason Thorpe
- 2000 – Patrick Fisher
- 2001 – Yohei Fukuda
- 2002 – Pieter Berger
- 2003 – Eric Ebert
- 2004 – Juan Cardenas
- 2005 – Patrick Marion
- 2006 – Josh Leon

ROBERT LEVY

The Robert Levy Scholarship Fund was established in the spring of 1999 thanks to the generosity of Bob and June DiGrazia and June's late uncle, Robert Levy. Levy left more than \$160,000 of his estate to fund this endowment, which provides a grant-in-aid to a Cal men's soccer student-athlete(s) each year. This year's recipient is freshman Imaan Kerchгани.

RECIPIENTS

- 1999 – Patrick Fisher,
Dru Hoshimiya
- 2000 – Omar Gusmao
- 2001 – Troy Roberts
- 2002 – Nick Hatzke
- 2003 – Stephen Purdy
- 2004 – Jacob Wilson
- 2005 – J.T. Terrazas
- 2006 – Imaan Kerchгани



Luke Sassano received the Matt Simi Scholarship in 2004.

MATT SIMI

Established in the fall of 2002, the Matt Simi Scholarship fund has graciously been donated by former Cal standout goalkeeper Matt Simi. The scholarship is awarded to a deserving freshman chosen by head coach Kevin Grimes.

Despite Simi graduating from Cal in 1990, his name remains in the record book. During his collegiate career (1987-89), Simi racked up impressive statistics, ranking seventh on the career list for goals-against average (1.40). His 13 career shutouts place him seventh on the all-time list.

The recipient of this year's award is freshman Evan Sassano.

RECIPIENTS

- 2002 – Tyson Wahl
- 2003 – Justin Myers
- 2004 – Luke Sassano
- 2005 – Stefan Frei
- 2006 – Evan Sassano



2006 ATHLETE PROFILES

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AYALA-HIL

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East Palo Alto (Menlo-Atherton HS)



Cal: Has the most experience of players vying for playing time on the frontline. **2005:** Saw action in 18 games for the Bears, starting in nine...assisted on the game-winning goal in Cal's 2-0 win over UC Santa Barbara (9/2)...scored a

goal in the Bears' 3-0 win over Vanderbilt (9/9)...took 15 shots and recorded three points for the season. **2004:** Played in 11 games for the Bears...recorded one goal and one assist. **High School:** Four-year starter on the varsity program...first-team all-league selection...plays club soccer for the Palo Alto Crew...reached the 2003 Cal-North state cup finals...Cal-North ODP selection from 2000-04...named to the region IV ODP team 2002-04...won the Super Y Leave Nationals with Santa Clara Sporting Ruckus...ran track his first three years of high school. **Personal:** Social welfare major...has one younger brother...born Jan. 27, 1986, in Santa Clara, Calif.

AYALA-HIL'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2004	11	0	5	1	1	3
2005	18	9	15	1	1	3
Totals	29	9	20	2	2	6

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Mission Viejo (Tesoro HS)



Cal: Will help solidify a traditionally stingy backline. **2005:** Made a strong contribution as a freshman, starting 17 out of 21 games. **High School:** Four-year starter for Tesoro HS...recorded most goals scored in a season, 24,

for Tesoro HS as a senior and led the team in assists as a sophomore and junior...awarded first-team, All-League and MVP honors for Pacific Coast League...played club soccer for the U-18 Pateadores, one of the premier clubs in the nation, along with Cal teammates Kyle Rice and Patrick Marion. **Personal:** Undeclared major; plans to attend graduate school after

college...spent two weeks in Africa in the summer of 2005 helping build a kitchen for a local tribe...hobbies include snowboarding, surfing, video games and computers...has one older brother Josh (23)...parents are Carolyn and David Barry...father played collegiate soccer at Washington...born May 31, 1987, in Bellevue, Wash.

BARRY'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2005	21	17	0	0	0	0

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Irvine (Woodbridge HS)



Cal: Two-year starter is a valuable member of another strong Bears midfield. **2005:** Earned All-Pac-10 honorable mention...scored the game-winning goal in Cal's 2-0 win over No. 4 Santa Barbara (9/2)...scored the game-tying goal

against UCLA late in regulation to send the game to overtime (11/6)...scored the game-winning goal in Cal's 4-1 win over Stanford (11/13)...started every game for the Bears...recorded three goals, two game-winning goals and one assist. **2004:** Started 19 games for the Bears...third on the team in goals (4), three of which were gamewinning shots...scored the game-winning goal against Stanford in a double-overtime victory (11/13)...All-Pac-10 team honorable mention. **2003:** Appeared in 20 games, starting four...led all true Cal freshmen with two goals and two assists for six points. **High School:** Three-time All-Sea View selection and two time All-CIF pick...led high school team to three Sea View League Championships...member of the Irvine Strikers club...*Irvine World News* Athlete of the Year in 2003...was first-team all-county in 2003 and CIF first team in 2001 and 2002...team won CIF championship...was four time Surf Cup champion and won one regional championship. **Personal:** American studies major...hobbies include video games...father, Don Ebert, played professional soccer for the New York Cosmos (NASL), St. Louis Steamers (MISL) and L.A. Lazers (MISL) and was the captain of the 1980 U.S. Olympic team...Don is now the head coach at Concordia University in Irvine...has two younger siblings, Ian and Taera...Ian is a midfielder for the Bears this year...parents are Karen and Don Ebert...born Aug. 27, 1984, in St. Louis, Mo.

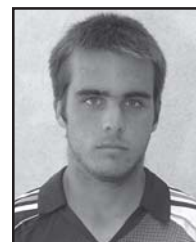
EBERT'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2003	20	4	9	2	2	6
2004	19	19	15	4	0	8
2005	21	21	21	3	1	7
Totals	60	44	45	9	3	21

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Irvine (Woodbridge HS)



Cal: Looks to contribute to the midfield. **2005:** Redshirted. **High School:** Member of the U-18 Irvine Strikers...earned first-team All-Sea View League honors for the 2004 and 2005 seasons as well as first-team All-CIF honors in 2005...won the U-17

Cal-South State Cup championship in 2004 and 2005 and the Region IV championship in 2004...his team was a regional finalist in 2005 and a semifinalist in the 2004 Snickers National Championships...Sea View's leading scorer in 2005 with 18 goals. **Personal:** Undeclared major...parents are Karen and Don Ebert...has one older brother, Eric (22), a senior midfielder for Cal, and one younger sister Taera (18)...father, Don, played professional soccer for the New York Cosmos (NASL), St. Louis Steamers (MISL) and L.A. Lazers (MISL) and was the captain of the 1980 U.S. Olympic team...Don is now the head coach at Concordia University in Irvine...born Oct. 6, 1986, in St. Louis, Mo.

Andrew 18

FELDER

Sr. D 6-1 175
Encino (Harvard-Westlake School)



Cal: Along with fellow senior Steve Purdy, will provide a veteran presence on the backline. **2005:** Started every game for the Bears last season, taking five shots and recording one assist...earned Pac-10 All-Academic first-team

honors and was named to the *Jewish Sports Review's* 2005 All-America first team. **2004:** Played in six games...named to the Pac-10 All-Academic second team. **2003:** Appeared in 12 games for the Bears, starting 10...honorable mention Pac-10 All-Academic honors. **2002:** Redshirted. **High School:** Four-year letterwinner in soccer...team MVP (2001)...named to the



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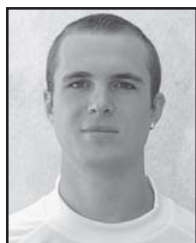
first-team All-Mission League...leading goal scorer in 2001 with 12 goals...six-year club team (West Valley Samba) captain...led West Valley Samba to a state cup championship and to the Snickers Cup regional finals. **Personal:** Mass communications/political science major... would like to get involved with business/sports management...attended 2006 World Cup in Germany...has a younger sister, Frannie, and an older brother, Matthew...parents are Sharon and James Felder...born Aug. 27, 1983, in Los Angeles.

FELDER'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2002						
	Redshirt					
2003	12	10	1	0	0	0
2004	6	0	1	0	0	0
2005	21	21	5	0	1	1
Totals	39	31	7	0	1	1

Stefan **24**
FREI

RFr. G 6-3 200
Alamo (De La Salle HS)



Cal: In contention for playing time in the net. **2005:** Redshirted. **High School:** Played for the De La Salle varsity team from 2002-05...boasted goals-against average of 0.36...awarded Athlete of the Year 2005 at De La Salle HS...earned *Times*

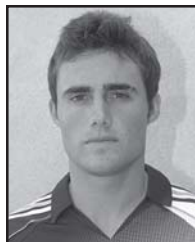
Boys Soccer Player of the Year in 2005 and NSCAA All-America honors in 2004...garnered Varsity Defensive and Overall MVP his senior year...named JV Defensive MVP his freshman year...HS team ranked fifth in Western Regional rankings of 2005...member of the U-15 Swiss national team and a member of the Cal-North State Cup Champion U-18 Central Marin Bandits.

Personal: Undeclared major...hobbies include playing sports, hanging out with friends and watching movies...has one older brother Michael (23), who attended Cal...parents are Marlies and Erwin Frei...father played Olympic Handball for the Swiss national team...born April 20, 1986, in Altstaetten, Switzerland.

Nick **7**
HATZKE

Sr. M 5-9 155
San Jose (Bellarmine Prep)

Cal: A key returnee, Hatzke will provide veteran leadership and scoring prowess in midfield. **2005:** Redshirted due to injury. **2004:** Started all 20 games for the Bears...led the team in goals (7), assists (8), points (22) and game-



winning goals (4)...second in the Pac-10 in total points and points per game (1.16), tied for fifth in goals, tied for first in assists and second in assists per game (0.42) and tied for first in game-winning goals (4)...All-Pac-10 first team. **2003:** Started all 22 games...tied for first on the team with four assists...awarded honorable mention All-Pac-10. **2002:** Added depth in midfield, appearing in 21 games...second among freshmen in points (6)...had a team-high .643 shots on goal percentage. **2001:** Awarded the 2002 Robert Levy Scholarship. **High School:** Bellarmine Prep ranked No. 1 in the Nation by *Student Sports Magazine* (2002), as it won the Central Coast Section Division One and West Catholic Athletic League (WACL) Championships all four years he was there...named Soccer Player of the Year for the Central Coast Section by High School Sports Focus...2002 *San Jose Mercury News* Co-Player of the Year...WACL Offensive Player of the Year and first-team all-league...voted to the All-*Mercury News* first team (2002)...played for two club teams, Almaden Clash (1997-01) and Palo Alto Pumas (2002), coached by former MLS player Tim Martin...2002 Dallas Cup champions and California-North State Cup champions. **Personal:** American studies major...received Outstanding Academic Excellence award...2002 Scholar-Athlete Award...parents are Gail and Martin Hatzke...born Oct. 16, 1983, in San Jose, Calif.

HATZKE'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2002	21	2	14	1	4	6
2003	22	22	21	1	4	6
2004	20	20	39	7	8	22
2005	Redshirt					
Totals	63	44	74	9	16	34

Matt **13**
HOLTRUST

Sr. F 6-1 155
Mission Viejo (Santa Margarita HS)



points for the season...earned Pac-10 All-Academic second-team honors. **2004:** Contributed in three games...received honorable mention for the Pac-10 All-Academic team.

winning goals (4)...second in the Pac-10 in total points and points per game (1.16), tied for fifth in goals, tied for first in assists and second in assists per game (0.42) and tied for first in game-winning goals (4)...All-Pac-10 first team. **2003:**

Made four appearances for the Bears. **2002:** Redshirted. **High School:** Fourth on all-time scoring list at Santa Margarita HS...two year member of All-Serra League (2001-02)...named to the 2002 All-CIF first team...CIF champion as a sophomore...senior year his club team, the San Juan Mustangs, took first place at the CSL Premier Tournament...part of the 2001 State Olympic Development Program team. **Personal:** Political science major...recognized as a MacDonald's 2002 All-American...Associate Student Body Commissioner...favorite player is France's Thierry Henry...has a twin brother, Josh...parents are Kerry and John Holtrust...born June 28, 1984, in Chapel Hill, NC.

HOLTRUST'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2002	Redshirt					
2003	4	0	0	0	0	0
2004	3	0	1	0	0	0
2005	6	0	1	1	0	2
Totals	13	0	2	1	0	2

Andrew **10**
JACOBSON

Jr. M 6-2 185
Palo Alto (Gunn HS)



Cal: Veteran member of the midfield, arguably the strongest area of the team in 2006. **2005:** Named to the All-Pac-10 first team...recorded two assists in Cal's 3-2 double-overtime win over Wake Forest in the sweet 16 of the NCAA

Tournament, including the assist on the game-winning goal (11/26)...scored his first game-winning goal of his career in Cal's 4-0 win over Oregon State on Oct. 23...recorded four goals and seven assists for the season...second on the team in assists (7) and points (15)...started every game for the Bears in 2005. **2004:** Redshirted. **2003:** Appeared in all 22 games, earning one start...led all true Cal freshmen with 15 shots, while recording one assist. **High School:** Named the 2003 Central Coast Section Player of the Year...led the SCVAL league with 14 goals and seven assists his senior year...named the 2002 Gunn High School Offensive Player of the Year after leading the team to the Central Coast Division II Championship title...named first team All-SCVAL...played for the Palo Alto Crew, which won the Nor-Cal Premier League. **Personal:** Undeclared major but would like to become a lawyer after college...mother, Cindy, graduated from Cornell and is now a nurse...sister, Melanie, graduated from UC Davis...born Sept. 25, 1985, in Fort Myers, Fla.

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JACOBSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2003	22	1	15	0	1	1
2004	Redshirt					
2005	21	21	36	4	7	15
Totals	43	22	51	4	8	16

Pat MARION 20

So. M 6-2 190
Coto de Caza (Tesoro HS)



Cal: Will add depth to the midfield position. **2005:** Saw action in 13 games as a true freshman...recorded one goal in Cal's 4-1 victory over Stanford (11/13)...took six shots during the 2005 campaign, recording two points.

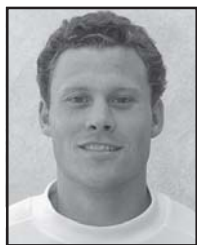
High School: Team captain of the U-18 Pateadores...participated in the Cal South Premier Development Program in 2004, as well as the adidas ESP camp...played for the Cal-South State ODP team from 1998-03...played with the U-18 U.S. national team in the summer of 2004...was a three-year starter on the Tesoro varsity basketball team, earning All-CIF first-team honors and the MVP award of the PCL his junior year...MVP of Tesoro basketball his sophomore and junior seasons. **Personal:** Undeclared major...graduated Tesoro HS with honors...has one younger brother, Michael (18) and one older brother, James (22), who attended Cal...hobbies include basketball and body boarding...played high school basketball instead of soccer all four years...parents are Gail and Jim Marion...born Aug. 7, 1986, in Mission Viejo.

MARION'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2005	13	0	6	1	0	2

Justin MYERS 1

Jr. G 6-2 195
San Diego (Torrey Pines HS)



Cal: Will vie for playing time in goal. **2005:** Saw action in one game for the Bears, playing 45 minutes. **2004:** Did not see action in 2004. **2003:** Redshirted. **High School:** Starting varsity goalkeeper since his freshman year...three-year captain...

named MVP and All-Palomar League as a

senior... named MVP of his club team, the Surf Soccer Club, which won the 2001 Surf Club title...scholar-athlete who received the commitment award...high school team was a state finalist...played four years on the varsity football team and one year on the freshman baseball team...member of the National Honor Society. **Personal:** Legal studies major...hobbies include going to the beach...dream is to play in the World Cup...parents are Mary and George Myers...has two younger siblings, Jacob and Erik...born Jan. 15, 1985, in Phoenix, Ariz.

MYERS' CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Min	GAA	Pct	W-L-T	SO
2003	Redshirt						
2004	Did not play						
2005	1	0	45:00	0.00	1.000	0-0-0	0

Michael NIERAETH 16

So. M 6-0 170
Lakewood (Mayfair HS)



Cal: In contention for playing time in the midfield. **2005:** Started in one game for the Bears, while seeing action in 17 as a true freshman...recorded five shots. **High School:** Member of the club team So Cal United...awarded Suburban League MVP in

2004 for Lakewood HS...earned All-CIF Division III first-team honors...Lakewood 2004 Performer of the Year...helped his club team to the 2004 Coast Soccer League Premier Championship, Pats Cup Championship, North vs. South California Championship and 2003 NHB Cup Championship. **Personal:** Undeclared major...member of the Mayfair Academic Academy...earned AP scholar with distinction upon graduation...was the 2003 Lakewood Scholar-Athlete of the Year...earned Golden State Seal Merit Diploma and was a member of the National Honor Society...would like to enter into engineering or sports medicine after college...parents are Mary and Marco Nieraeth...father played collegiate soccer for Cal State Los Angeles...has one sister, Lauren, 16...born Sept. 25, 1986, in Torrance.

NIERAETH'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2005	17	1	5	0	0	0

Mike OSEGUERA 22

Sr. G 6-0 175
Huntington Beach (Marina HS)



Cal: Most experienced of three goalkeepers vying for starting spot. **2005:** Saw action in three games for the Bears, tallying two saves...recorded the final penalty kick against Santa Clara in the second round of the NCAA Tournament, to

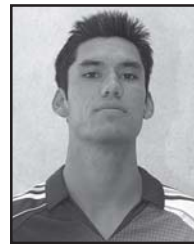
send Cal to the sweet 16...boasts a goals-against average of 0.97. **2004:** Contributed to four games, starting in one...recorded six saves and one shutout...boasted a GAA of 0.70. **2003:** Appeared in 18 games in goal, starting 17...recorded 58 saves while leading the Bears to a Pac-10 second-best seven shutouts...second best GAA in Pac-10 (0.96)...named honorable mention All-Pac-10. **2002:** Redshirted. **High School:** Started for four years at Marina HS...holds career record for most shutouts and best GAA...team MVP as a sophomore and senior...three-time first-team All-Sunset League...CIF first team as a senior...member of the high school 2002 All-Star South team and the 2002 All-CIF Division II team...his Pateadores club placed third at the Far West Regional and was a Cal-South finalist in 2002...two-year letterwinner in baseball. **Personal:** Social welfare major...parents are Nancy and Robert Oseguera...born Oct. 20, 1983, in Huntington Beach.

OSEGUERA'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Saves	GA	GAA	W-L-T	SO	Min
2002	Redshirt							
2003	18	17	58	17	0.96	9-6-2	7	1596:12
2004	4	1	6	1	0.70	0-0-0	6	128:20
2005	3	0	2	1	3.45	0-0-0	0	26:04
Totals	25	18	66	19	0.97	9-6-2	13	1750:36

Steve PURDY 6

Sr. D 6-4 190
Morgan Hill (Archbishop Mitty HS)



Cal: Veteran will provide a strong presence in the back in his final season...has started in 60 of his 62 games as a Bear. **2005:** Named to the All-Pac-10 second team after another stellar year...scored one

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goal in Cal's 5-0 rout over Army Sept. 25... recorded one goal, two assists and four points during the 2005 campaign... started in 20 out of 21 games. **2004:** Started all 20 games... received honorable mention All-Pac-10 honors for the second straight year. **2003:** Earned 20 starts while appearing in all 22 games as a freshman... received honorable mention All-Pac-10 honors. **High School:** Three-year All-WCAL selection... played on the South San Jose Fusion, which won the Premier League Championship in 2000 and was a semifinalist in the 2001 state cup... Offensive Player of the Year in 2001... invited to two U.S. U-18 national team camps and the adidas Elite Soccer camp. **Personal:** Undeclared major... aspires to become an architect or businessman... parents are Rosa and John Purdy... has four siblings: brother, Kevin (26) and three sisters, Janette (24), Mary (20) and Erika (12)... born Feb. 5, 1985, in Bakersfield.

PURDY'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2003	22	20	9	0	0	0
2004	20	20	19	0	0	0
2005	20	20	7	1	2	4
Totals	62	60	35	1	2	4

Kyle RICE 17

RFr. D 5-11 160
Lake Forest (El Toro HS)



Cal: Looks to add depth to the backline. **2005:** Redshirted. **High School:** Captain of the varsity soccer team during his junior and senior seasons at El Toro HS... awarded South Coast League MVP in 2005... awarded first-team All-South Coast

League his junior and senior year... earned second-team All-Orange County and first-team All-CIF... helped El Toro HS to league championship in 2003... a first-team All-SCL and SCL Offensive MVP in 2003... awarded the Golden Boot Award for leading the league in scoring during his junior year... played club soccer for the U-18 Pateadores... four-time state cup finalist for the Pateadores. **Personal:** Undeclared major... would like to have a career in business after college... hobbies include snowboarding, hanging out at the beach and traveling... has an older sister, Lindsay... parents are Reid and Randi Rice... born Feb. 4, 1987 in Long Beach.

Luke SASSANO 2

Jr. M 6-0 165
Orinda (Miramonte HS)



Cal: One of the top playmakers in the Bears midfield. **2005:** Started every game for the Bears in a breakout sophomore season... earned All-Pac-10 honorable mention... assisted on the game-tying goal with 22 seconds left in regulation in Cal's 3-

2 double-overtime victory against Wake Forest in the sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament (11/26)... assisted on the game-winning goal against San Diego State in Cal's 2-1 overtime victory (11/4)... recorded two goals for the season... finished the season first on the team in assists with eight and tied for second in the conference in that category. **2004:** Saw action in six games... recorded one assist and one point. **High School:** Four-time all-league selection... league MVP senior year... recorded 14 goals and 14 assists his junior year... plays club soccer for Lamorinda United... played in the Y-League for the Santa Clara Sporting Ruckus... selected for Y-League regional pool... *Contra Costa Times* top 100 player in 2004 for both soccer and football. **Personal:** Interdisciplinary studies major... parents are Matthew and Corinna Sassano... has a brother, Evan, who is a freshman on the Cal team, a sister, Danielle (24), who played soccer for UC Santa Cruz, and another brother, Eric (14)... born Oct. 14, 1985, in Glendale.

SASSANO'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2004	6	0	2	0	1	1
2005	21	21	24	2	8	12
Totals	27	21	26	2	9	13

Jeff SERAFINI 5

Jr. D 5-11 158
Mission Viejo (Capistrano Valley HS)



Cal: After a strong second half of 2005 season, will be a key factor on the backline this season. **2005:** Came up big for the Bears towards the end of the season, scoring the game-winning goal in Cal's 3-2 overtime victory over Wake Forest

in the sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament (11/26)... recorded his first career goal in Cal's 2-1 victory over San Diego State (11/4)... saw action in 13 games after only playing in two during 2004. **2004:** Played in two games. **2003:** Redshirted. **High School:** Played on the U-15, U-16 and U-17 national teams... traveled to Bolivia, Costa Rica, Germany and France to play soccer... overcame two back surgeries to continue his playing career. **Personal:** Undeclared major... has two brothers and two sisters... parents are Kay and Bob Serafini... born March 7, 1985, in Westlake Village.

SERAFINI'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2003	Redshirt					
2004	2	0	0	0	0	0
2005	13	0	10	2	0	4
Totals	15	0	10	2	0	4

Jacob WILSON 11

So. F 5-10 174
Fremont (Washington HS)



Cal: Looks to battle for playing time on the frontline. **2005:** Did not play. **2004:** Redshirted. **High School:** Three-time MVAL all-league selection... Player of the Year in 2002... played club soccer for the Central Marin Bandits with

teammate Juan Cardenas... selected to the Cal-North ODP state team previous four years... member of the Region IV ODP team previous three years. **Personal:** Undeclared major... parents are Andy and Patti Wilson... has two brothers, Drew (22) and Josh (14), and one sister, Elizabeth (18)... born Jan. 22, 1986, in Fremont.



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Anthony AVALOS 4

Fr. M 5-11 160
Morgan Hill (Live Oaks HS)



Cal: Will add depth to a crowded midfield. **High School:** A talented midfielder who was a member of Live Oaks High School's varsity soccer team the past four years...last season he was selected to the all-league first team and the

All-Central Coast Section first team, as well as earning the league MVP award...sophomore year he was chosen Midfielder of the Year and earned all-league first-team honors...as a freshman, he garnered Freshman of the Year and was named to the all-league second team...has been a member of the Santa Clara Ruckus for the past few years along with Cal teammates Imaan Kerchгани and Evan Sassano...club team was a 2005 Super Y-League regional champion and a national semifinalist...club was also the U.S. Club Region IV Champion and a U.S. Club national finalist...a member of the Region IV ODP team (2000-04). **Personal:** Undeclared major...parents are Ramon and Cindy...brother, Ray, ran cross country at San Jose State...born Nov. 25, 1987, in San Jose, Calif.

Chris CORTEZ 19

Fr. F
Mission Viejo (Trabuco Hills HS)



Cal: Could see playing time as a freshman on the frontline. **High School:** As a forward for Trabuco Hills High School's varsity team, Cortez earned South Coast League first-team all-league honors from 2004-05, and in 2005, his team was South Coast

League Champions...he has played for the Pateadores, one of the premier club teams in the nation...in 2005, his club claimed the Nomads College Showcase, Surf Cup, and NHB titles...was a scholar-athlete for four years. **Personal:** Undeclared major...parents are Fausto and Jennifer Cortez...brother, Brandon (16), and sister, Ashlee (9)...born July 24, 1988, in Mission Viejo.

Patrick DOLAN 26

Fr. M 6-1 185
Concord (De La Salle HS)

Cal: Will add depth in the midfield. **High School:** A talented midfielder and forward who has been extensively involved in his club, DVSC Black Pearl 88, and his high school team, the De La Salle varsity...was team captain his senior year of high school and earned a varsity letter



captain of DVSC Black Pearl 88 and guided his team to win the Super Y-League National Championships in 2002 and 2004...in 2003, his team went to a U.S. Club regional and the U.S. Club National Championships and was Cal-North State Cup Champions from 2000-02...in 2003, Dolan was a member of the Super Y-League ODP Regional Pool Team, and in 2004, he was a member of the Super Y-League ODP National Pool team...earned high honors every semester of high school. **Personal:** Undeclared major...parents are Gene and Stacy Dolan...father attended UC Davis...born June 27, 1988, in Oakland, Calif.

Hector JIMENEZ 12

Fr. M 5-9 140
Bell Gardens (Bell Gardens HS)



Cal: Decorated youth player set to make impact on the midfield. **High School:** Team captain and the leading scorer at Bell Gardens High School with 22 goals and 14 assists...first-team All-Almont League selection as a sophomore...as a

member of the Arsenal Soccer Club, Jimenez's team won several tournaments, including the USYSA U-17 National Championship, Surf Cup, Nomads Cup, Celtic Cup and Delco Cup...Arsenal also won the Cal South State Cup championship and Far West Regional and was the U-15 and U-16 national champions in 2004 and 2005...member of the U-17 U.S. national team in 2004 and 2005 in residency in Bradenton, Fla. **Personal:** Undeclared major...parents are Mauricio and Dalila...two sisters, Carolina (16) and Neryda (10)...born Nov. 3, 1988, in Huntington Park.

Imaan KERCHGANI 21

Fr. M 5-9 140
San Jose (Leigh HS)



Clara Ruckus, was a 2005 Super Y-League regional champion and national semifinalist...his

Cal: Talented youngster will add depth to the midfield position. **High School:** Was a four-year starter on the varsity team for Leigh...last year, he was awarded Offensive MVP and earned first-team all-league honors...his club team, the Santa

club was also U.S. Club Region IV Champion and a U.S. Club national finalist...was a part of the Cal-North State and Region IV ODP teams from 2001-04...Kerchгани made the honor list all four years of high school. **Personal:** Undeclared major...parents are Kayhan Kerchгани and Mitra Samimi...born Sept. 29, 1988, in San Jose, Calif.

Josh LEON 14

Fr. D 6-1 160
Calabasas (Calabasas HS)



Cal: Will provide solid depth on the backline. **High School:** Four-year starter on the Calabasas varsity...received the Defensive MVP award of the Marmonte League last year and was selected to the all-county first team...this past summer, played

for the San Fernando Valley Quakes of the USL's Premier Development League...was captain for two years for his West Valley Samba U-19 Premier club...last spring, his club won the Cal South State Cup Championship and went to the quarterfinals of the Far West Regional...it also recently won the Cal-North/South Premier Cup Championship...was selected this past year to the Premier Development Program (PDP) for Cal South. **Personal:** Undeclared major...parents are Dave and Sue Leon...has a brother, Jason (19), and sister, Rebecca (15)...born July 14, 1988, in Los Angeles.

Evan SASSANO 23

Fr. D 5-11 150
Orinda (Miramonte)



Cal: Gifted center midfielder and central defender. **High School:** Was a member of the Miramonte High School varsity team for four years; was team captain his junior and senior years and earned all-league first-team honors three

years...in 2003, 2004 and 2006, his team was North Coast Sectional Champions, and in 2004 and 2005, his team was DFAL League champions...as a member of the Santa Clara Ruckus, Sassano's team was the 2005 Super Y-League regional champion and a national semifinalist...his club team was also U.S. Club Region IV Champion, a U.S. Club national finalist and a Surf Cup quarterfinalist. **Personal:** Undeclared major...worked as a lifeguard last summer...hobbies are photography, wakeboarding, snowboarding and playing video games...parents are Matthew and Corinna Sassano...has a brother, Luke (20), who is a junior on the Cal team, a sister, Danielle (24), who played soccer for UC Santa Cruz, and a younger brother, Eric (14)...born Nov. 22, 1987, in Glendale.

