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PACIFIC COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE SPORT SUPPLEMENT –

.00 Water Polo, men and women

.01 Season of Play

- A. The water polo season shall begin on the date specified in the State Athletic Code.
- B. The water polo schedule is limited to the number of contests/dates as specified in the State Athletic Code
 - 1. Games are played on Wednesdays with two Mondays where/if needed.
 - 2. Women will play at 2:00 PM
 - 3. Men will play at 3:15 PM.
 - 4. Maximum ½ hour warm-up between games or mutually agreed upon time.
 - 5. Site of PCAC Conference Championship will be decided at the Fall coaches meeting.
 - 6. The conference tournament will be a bracketed tournament. The fifth place team from the double round conference games will have a play in game with the fourth place team. Loser of that game will be out and the winner will be separated in the upper bracket with the first place team and the second and third seeded team will be separated in the lower bracket.

.02 Playing Rules

- A. Rule Book. NCAA rule book
- B. Officials.
 - 1. Two officials shall be assigned to each contest. If only one official is present at game time teams shall delay the start of the game until the second official arrives or 15 minutes elapses (whichever happens first). The game shall be played in the event of only one official. The officials are certified by the San Diego Water Polo Officials Association.
 - 2. The home team shall arrange for three table workers (scorekeeper, game-clock timer, shot-clock timer).
- C. Equipment/Supplies
 - 1. Supplies and equipment needed for the conduct of the match shall be the responsibility of the host colleges.
 - 2. All games shall be played with the ball that has been approved for the California Regional and State Championships.
- D. Facilities.
 - Games shall be played, whenever possible, in a 25 meter (goal face to goal face) pools with side markings at 2 and 5 meters. Side markings will be a 2 and 5 meters if the game is played in a 25-yard pool.
- E. Protest will follow NCAA guidelines.
- F. Forfeiture will follow NCAA guidelines and additionally, if a PCAC team has to forfeit 2 games in the regular season, they are to be excluded from the PCAC Conference Championships.

.03 Awards.

A. Team. There will be two PCAC champions, a double round and PCAC conference tournament champion. The conference will provide a trophy to the double round champion and the PCAC Conference Tournament champion. There will be only one trophy awarded if the same team wins both titles.

B. The conference will provide a trophy (one) for the Player of the Year as selected by the coaches. There will be one nominee from each team and then a vote. The player with the most votes will receive the award. If there is no clear winner after the vote, the coaches will discuss a second vote or consider Co-Champions.

C. The conference will provide the following All – PCAC Conference Team Certificates for each the men and women.

PCAC All-Conference Honors

First Team:

4 from the first place team
3 from the second place team
2 from the third place team
2 from the fourth place team
1 from the fifth place team

Second Team:

2 from the first team
2 from the second team
2 from the third team
2 from the fourth team
2 from the fifth team

Honorable Mention: As many as requested by coaches.

D. The coaches will select a Coach of the Year for men and women. The conference will supply this award.

.04 Playoff/Championship Determination.

A. For Conference standings each team shall receive one point for each PCAC win in the double round.

B. The points earned during the double round will be the system used for seeding men and women's teams into the PCAC Conference Tournament at the end of the regular season.

1. In the case of a tie in total points after the double round, the team with the best goal differential in head to head competition will be seeded higher in the PCAC Conference Tournament.

2. If teams are tied after the first tiebreaker is applied the tiebreaker will be determined by the team with the lowest goals allowed against record in PCAC play.

3. If necessary the third tiebreaker will be decided by a coin toss.

4. Winner of the double round gets a 1st round bye in a 5 team format which is the easiest path to the conference championship game (does not have to play the #2 and #3 teams until the championship game)

C. The winner of the PCAC Conference Tournament will receive the automatic bid for the Southern California Regional Championship Tournament.

.05 Preseason Meeting

A. Will be held the Thursday prior to Labor Day

.06 Post Season Meeting

A. Will be held Monday evening following the PCAC Championship Tournament.