

Game Recap: Weekend of March 9-10

Women's Club Volleyball Goes Undefeated This Season

By Michael Murphy, Class of 2019

MORAGA, Calif. -Saint Mary's Women's Club Volleyball absolutely demolished the competition this season coming away with a 10-0 record.

The Gaels rolled through their season without a loss, an accomplishment **Senior, Madison Lattner** says comes from the hard work and team chemistry behind the scenes.

“Overall the team always puts in work when it matters most” Lattner said. “Every game we collectively give that extra bit of effort giving us an edge. The whole team was encouraging and just had an attitude like we knew we were going to win. Have faith in your team and you will get the results you want.”

That extra effort was well worth her time. The undefeated season marks another huge accomplishment of SMC Club Sports. Lattner's club volleyball career may be over, but her experiences will live on.

“This is my first and last club season and it was totally worth it” Lattner said. “I have some amazing teammates and some great memories to end my senior year for which I am forever thankful. Plus, the fact that we're undefeated isn't too bad either.”

Women's Rugby Takes Down Fresno State on Senior Day 24-19

By Michael Murphy, Class of 2019

MORAGA, Calif. -Saint Mary's Women's Rugby continues to roll this season after defeating Fresno State at home on Saturday marking a special victory for all the seniors who took to the pitch.

The Gaels took home the win putting up 24 points against their long-time rival, Fresno State who only managed to throw 19 on the board before the final whistle. **Janet Miramontes, Junior** has been with the club for three years, and beating Fresno is just another great memory in the books.

“As a junior, I've witnessed all the sweat and pain this team has put in over the past two seasons to win against a team like Fresno” Miramontes said. “The last time we beat Fresno was when the seniors were freshman, and to win again on their senior day shows just how much this program has improved throughout the past four years.”

The hard work has been well worth it and there is proof that the club continues to evolve. The 7's team placed 3rd out of 16 teams at the Las Vegas Invitational. NSCRO Selects placed 1st & 2nd, which consists of nationally selected rugby players across the US.

Rugby calls for chemistry between players for a full 80 minutes. The culture around the program is key to the club's success.

"Being apart of the women's rugby program has been the best decision of my life" Miramontes said. "Every year the program continues to grow. We may be a team, but we are also a family that never gives up on one another."

Beating Fresno at SMC is a huge task that the Gaels faced head on this season. Janet knows that this win is important moving forward.

"That moment will forever be cherished by the team, along with seniors at their last home game" Miramontes said.

Saint Mary's Women's Rugby will travel to San Luis Obispo to face Cal Poly on March 16.

Women's Lacrosse Splits the Weekend : Falls on Saturday, Comes Back on Sunday

By Michael Murphy, Class of 2019

MORAGA, Calif. - Saint Mary's Women's Lacrosse split the weekend this past Saturday and Sunday.

The Gaels lost on Saturday to Santa Clara 16-6 in heavy rain at home, but were able to collect a win on Sunday versus UC Davis with a final score of 12-8.

The team will take the field again next Saturday, March 16 facing UC Berkeley at home beginning at 1pm.

Men's Lacrosse Falls to Strong Santa Cruz Side

By Michael Murphy, Class of 2019

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. -Men's Lacrosse traveled to Santa Cruz to face a talented side and kept the test close throughout.

SMC lost to Santa Cruz 13-12 this Saturday but **Austin Chau**, a senior on the team, sees more than a loss on the record.

"Santa Cruz is one of the best teams in the country, and to lose to them by 1 on their field means that we can compete with and beat any team we play this year" Chau said. "We are a young team, and the biggest takeaway is that we have to be sharper mentally and learn how win close games."

The close competition proves the talent and depth of the team's roster. However, there is always room for more men on the team according to Austin.

"If anyone is interested in joining the team, come out and watch a practice" Chau said. "We welcome everybody no matter how much lacrosse experience you may or may not have. The best part of our program is how tightly knit we are as a group and how determined we are to forming a fun team atmosphere."

Men's Lacrosse will continue to grow as new players and new opportunities continue to come their way.

Women's Club Soccer Falls To UC Davis 0-7

By Michael Murphy, Class of 2019

DAVIS, Calif. -Saint Mary's Women's Club Soccer was defeated this Saturday after UC Davis came out firing.

The Gaels took home a loss but **Junior, Kellie DeMaria** thought the game offered a few key learning points despite the difference in score.

"It was a tough game but the connection our team has is what helped us keep our heads up" DeMaria said. "We did as much as we could to be a joint unit on the field, but ultimately it wasn't enough."

Kellie and the Gaels will take on Sacramento State next and hope to apply what they have learned from this most recent match in order to come out strong against the Hornets.

"Davis is a phenomenally skilled team, and we were able to learn a lot about ourselves and where we need to work on improving in our team presence on the field as we look ahead to the rest of the season" DeMaria said.

Men's Club Soccer: Tied with Sac State 1-1

By Michael Murphy, Class of 2019

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Men's Club Soccer took on Sacramento State this weekend and kept it close but was unable to find the back of the goal a second time.

The Gaels tied with Sac State 1-1 in a game that **Junior, Tyler Carino** thought could have been won if it weren't for a couple obstacles coming in the form of injuries.

"The game was hard fought" Carino said. "We were low in numbers due to injuries. Dominated the second half. Should have come out with the win but [we] tied."

The team will travel to Davis to take on the Aggies at 2pm on April 6.

Game Recap: Weekend of Feb 23-24

Men's Club Volleyball Falls to San Francisco State

By Michael Murphy, Class of 2019

MORAGA, Calif. - This past Sunday, Saint Mary's Men's Volleyball took on the San Francisco State Gators in a mid-afternoon matchup at home.

The Gaels pushed the match to a fifth set but ultimately fell short. The Gators took home the win beating SMC 3-2.

Men's Club Volleyball next plays in the D1/D2 Crossover Tournament on March 9 at Stanford, CA at 12:00pm.

Women's Club Volleyball Sweeps San Francisco Crossover Tournament

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. -This past weekend, Saint Mary's Women's Club Volleyball crossed the bay to compete in an SF crossover tournament on Saturday and Sunday.

The Gaels came to play beating William Jessup University 2-0. Next, SMC faced University of the Pacific and put up the same score against the Tigers from Stockton. The weekend wrapped up on a high note as the UC Davis could not keep up losing 2-0. The Gael's swept the weekend in a strong performance.

Women's Club Volleyball will take on SFSU on March 3 at home at 1:00pm.

Hot Bats Put Humboldt State Ahead of Gaels

PITTSBURG, Calif. - Saint Mary's Men's Club Baseball faced Humboldt State on Sunday but fell short 2-0.

The Gaels will revisit the Loggers in a double header on March 9 in Pittsburg, CA.

Women's Lacrosse Goes 0-2 On Arizona Tour

TEMPE, Ariz. -Saint Mary's Women's Club Lacrosse traveled to Arizona for two matches this past weekend.

Arizona State hosted SMC in Tempe on Saturday evening. Unfortunately, the visiting Gael's could not find the net and fell to ASU 15-6.

The next stop was Phoenix where the Gael's took on Grand Canyon University in a mid-morning game. SMC kept it close but GCU finally pulled away taking home an 11-9 victory.

Women's Club Lacrosse will travel to San Luis Obispo for a 2:00 pm matchup against Cal Poly on March 3.

Gaels Lacrosse Comes Up Short Against UC San Diego

MORAGA, Calif. -Saint Mary's Men's Lacrosse hosted UC San Diego this past Sunday on home turf. The Tritons came prepared for their trip north however frequently finding the back of the net. The Gaels fell short losing 14-4.

Men's Lacrosse will play at SMC against Southern Oregon on Sunday March 3 at 12:00pm

Saint Mary's Men's Club Soccer Continues with Success

MORAGA, Calif. -Saint Mary's Men's Club Soccer took UC Davis this past weekend. The Gaels came to play and the Aggies couldn't keep up falling to the Gaels, 4-3.

The Gaels will return home to face off against CSU Chico on Saturday March 2 for an 11:30am kickoff.

Saint Mary's and UNR Both Find the Net Once

MORAGA, Calif. -Saint Mary's Women's Club Soccer hosted the University of Nevada Reno this past Sunday. The Gaels kept the game close throughout and the score remained that way through to the end. SMC tied UCD 1-1.

Women's Club Soccer will travel to Sacramento State for a match on Sunday March 3 at 12:00pm

Women's Rugby Puts on A Dominant Performance Against the Banana Slugs

MORAGA, Calif. -Saint Mary's Women's Rugby took on UC Santa Cruz at home this past Saturday at home on Pat Vincent Field. The Gael's continue to roll this season defeating the Banana Slugs 43-12.

Women's Rugby will next host Fresno on March 6 at home for a morning match on PV Field kicking off at 10:15am.

Stunt 2/23 v Sac State Lost, v UCD Lost/ 2/24 v UCB Lost, v Cal Poly Lost

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Saint Mary's Stunt competed in three stunt games this past Saturday but unfortunately did not come out ahead. Sacramento State, UC Davis and Cal Poly all earned higher scores than the Gaels.

Stunt will next compete in a tournament hosted in Berkeley beginning at 8:00am on Saturday, March 23.