

Danish Gymnastic Team to perform at UCSD

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The 20-member Danish Gymnastic Team from Ribe County, Denmark, is scheduled to present a single public performance at the University of California, San Diego Wednesday, January 16.

The gymnastics exhibition, sponsored by the UCSD Gymnastics Club, will begin at 8:00 p.m. in the UCSD Gym located in the center of the University campus. Tickets are \$2.00 for general admission and \$1.00 for UCSD students and are available at the Recreation Gym or at the door.

The Danish team, actually formed from the membership of the Ribe County Gymnastic and Youth Association, is touring California, Oregon, Washington, and Arizona during January and February. Ribe County began to organize gymnastic teams in 1962. About 20,000 people currently belong to gymnastic and folk-dancing groups in the county with about one-half of these concentrating on gymnastics only.

This will mark the team's second appearance at UCSD. The group performed here in 1972 as part of a similar American tour.

All of the members of the present touring team have been training in schools and local gyms in Ribe County since the age of 7 or 8. They train together two hours weekly year round in addition to individual training. Several of them are gym instructors.

Performances will include folk dancing as well as gymnastics, all accompanied by background music. While in San Diego, the team will be staying in the homes of UCSD Gymnastics Club members.

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