

All-Cal Gymnastics Meet here

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Two of the top gymnastics teams in the country are scheduled to take part in the third annual All-Cal Gymnastics Meet to be held Saturday, January 16, in the University of California, San Diego Gymnasium.

The event, the first home gymnastics meet ever held at UCSD, will begin at 2:30 p.m. with opening ceremonies scheduled for 2:15 p.m. Men's gymnastics teams from at least five of the nine UC campuses throughout the state have been entered. They include teams from UC Santa Barbara, UCLA, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, and UCSD.

Both UCLA and Berkeley have gymnastics teams which are considered contenders for the NCAA national championship. UCLA, under coach and former Olympic gymnast Art Shurlock, has an exceptionally strong team which includes some of the top all-around gymnasts in the country.

According to UCSD gymnastics coach John Cates, the All-Cal meet will be conducted under the new NCAA rules which allow a team to enter as many as five contestants in each event as long as three of them are all-around entrants-contestants entered in all events.

"This is an attempt to bring the athletes up to the standards required for Olympic competition," Cates said. He added that the equipment to be used in the meet has been furnished by the American Athletic Equipment Company of Jefferson, Iowa, and has been designed and built to meet new NCAA equipment specifications. The equipment will be available for inspection by area coaches and gymnasts, Cates said.

The events scheduled for competition are horizontal bar, side horse, still rings, free exercise, long horse vaulting, and parallel bars.

Admission to the meet is free. Parking is available on the east side of the gymnasium, located at the corner of Gilman Drive and old Miramar Road.

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