Activists protest spill at Unocal’s Guadalupe oil field

Unocal opened its gates on Saturday, attempting an open dialogue with protesters

By Kelly Victoria Teaker
Daily Staff Writer

More than 100 anti-oil demonstrators rallied Saturday at Unocal’s oil field in Guadalupe, drawing attention to the four-year-old spill which has contaminated dunes and ocean around the area.

As of Sunday afternoon, three protesters were still at Unocal, holding what their lawyer called a “vigil.”

The demonstration began around 10 a.m. under rainy skies at the oil field’s front gate on Thornberry Road.

The protest occurred just a day after the Regional Water Quality Control Board approved a cleanup and abatement order that will result in some excavation of the pollution at the Guadalupe Dunes.

Unocal admitted leaking 8.5 million gallons of petroleum contaminants at the site, but public records indicate that would amount to a total 20 million gallons.

Mother Nature also worsened environmental damage to the area. This year’s winter storms caused contaminants to seep into the ocean and uncover two unknown waste oil sites, according to protest sponsor Coastal Oil Action Coalition.

The coalition formed on the premise of the public’s lack of attention to this spill. Some groups which make up the coalition include the Surfrider Foundation, the Environmental Center of San Luis Obispo County, Communities for a Better Environment and Get Oil Out, a Santa Barbara-based anti-oil group.

Using the tailgate of a pick-up truck as a stage, several protesters got up to tell the
MONDAY
It’s Scottish Tartan Day today, announces the Central Coast Scottish Society. Wear Scottish Tartan (it looks a lot like plaid) and celebrate the contributions Scots have made to the development of this country. For more info, or to join the Society, call 544-2899.

TUESDAY
ASI is searching for someone to become the new ASI Executive Director. Everyone is invited to observe candidate presentations. Today Soncia R. Lilly will be giving her presentation in Staff Dining Room B (behind the Lighthouse). It will begin at 1:30 p.m.
Paco de Lucia, recognized as one of today’s greatest guitarists, will play the fiery, haunting Gypsy rhythms of flamenco at 8 p.m. tonight in the Performing Arts Center’s Cohan Center. De Lucia will be joined by a singer, mandolin player and dancer, among others. To order tickets, call 756-2787 (that’s SLO-ARTS in case you have a bad short-term memory).
The “Bones BBQ” is a benefit to support SLO High School. They’re promising the best BBQ in town and they’ll even do takeout. Buy ribs, chicken, sausage, baked beans, potato salad, garlic bread and drinks for $5 for students, $7 for adults and $2 for kids. It’s from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Grange Hall on Broad Street.

WEDNESDAY
Stressed? A free introductory class in “mindfulness-based stress reduction & relaxation training” will be put on by Dr. Mark Schechter at 7 p.m. at the French Hospital auditorium in San Luis Obispo. Pre-registration is not necessary. For more info, call Dr. Schechter at 997-2010.

THURSDAY
You can graduate without passing the Writing Proficiency Examination. And today’s the last day to sign up at the Cashier’s office for the spring quarter WPE. Scheduled for Saturday, April 11 at 9 a.m. The test is given one week earlier in the quarter than usual due to a conflict with Open House. Call 756-2067.

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FRIDAY
Hooked on cigarettes? Nicotine Anonymous meets weekly on Fridays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the Santa Barbara Cottage Care, located at 555 Chorro Street, Suite D, in San Luis Obispo. For more info, call 543-7030 or 543-7212.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Cal Poly’s Career Services offers all kinds of workshops, from writing a resume and cover letter to brushing up on your interview skills. Workshops are free, and they’re held in Building 124, room 224. Seating is limited so sign up in advance in Career Service’s front lobby. For more info, call 756-2501.

It’s almost here... the chance to write im the streets with chalk and not get in trouble for it. You can join in supporting the 7th annual I Madonna Italian Street Painting Festival on April 25 and April 26 at the San Luis Obispo Mission Plaza. Register now to purchase a square to promote your business, volunteer as an artist or sponsor a street painter of any age. Deadline for registration is April 15. Call 528-6492. Proceeds benefit the Children’s Creative Project.

Want to stop smoking for real? Free stop smoking counseling is available to San Luis Obispo County residents in the month of April on Mondays and Wednesdays. Please call for an appointment. For more information, call the San Luis Obispo County Tobacco Control Program at 781-5564.

April is the month of the child. Becoming a mentor is a great way to make a difference in a kid’s life. You can become a mentor and your help is needed, so call 549-3779 for more info.

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Interviews, Monday, April 20
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Barbecue, beer, bagpipes and big men were bountiful at the 11th annual Pozo Saloon Whiskey Highland Games on Saturday.

Men and women competed in events such as caber tossing, weight throwing, hammer throwing and "strong man" at the Pozo Saloon in Santa Margarita.

Because the events are sanctioned by the Scottish-American Athletic Association (SAAA), all participants were kitted as part of the official uniform.

Scattered April showers didn't stop local vendors who gathered to sell sweaters, kilts and trinkets. One woman selling kilts brought along a map of Scotland for the Highland Games, on Saturday.

Women are competing. It's a sense of community and extended family. Dave Gamian said he competes because "it's a brotherhood out here, and a sisterhood now that men and women are competing. It's a sense of community and extended families."\n
Garman's inspiration: "Not to get hurt...avoid injury at all cost." Loud grunts were heard from both sexes as they threw the objects with all their might. Onlookers laughed when one participant used an inflatable sheep to scare off a small dog that wandered into the competitor circle where the objects often landed.

Highland Games coordinator and competitor Mark Robinson has been participating in the games for seven years and says it is not unusual for participants to partake in the old Scottish tradition of beer-drinking while competing. He said the worst injury he can remember was when a hammer toss competitor dislocated his knee last year.

Pozo Games are unique among the Highland Games because the winners receive a bottle of malt whiskey along with their medal.

After the sports competition, a big bonfire is held every year to finish up the night.

Pozo Saloon owners Rhonda and Brian Beawsey first got the idea to sponsor the games 11 years ago at the bequest of some Scottish friends.

Liquor and restaurant groups admit that after losing in the Senate, they waged a full-court effort in the House. The National Beer Wholesalers Association and the American Beverage Institute ran large ads in Capitol Hill newspapers, sent letters to lawmakers and had wholesalers and brewers write or fax their representatives.

The ABR's general counsel, Richard Berman, hired lobbyist Ann Eppard, who for 22 years was chief of staff to Transportation Committee Chairman Bud Shuster, R-Pa., author of the highway bill. "We're very proud of the folks," said David Behr, vice president of government affairs for the beer wholesalers. "They were not embarrassed to tell people that this was not the solution."\n
Liquor and restaurant groups vowed on legislation lowering the threshold of drunkenness behind the wheel.

Such laws should be left to the states, not Washington, says the Republican committee chairman whose panel kept the measure off the House floor but its Democratic sponsor says the committee action proves unmistakably that "the liquor lobby...put profits ahead of people's lives."

The legislation was an amendment to a giant highway spending bill that would have taken highway money away from states that don't enact 0.08 percent blood alcohol content levels for drunken driving.

It is shaping up as one of the most hotly fought drinking issues since the drive more than a decade ago to make the legally defined age for drinking and the 18-to-20-year-old drinking is nearly illegal for drinking.

A month ago, the Senate passed such an amendment to its highway bill by a strong 62-32 vote, and President Clinton has endorsed a national 0.08 percent standard that already is in force in 16 states.

Rep. Nita Lowey, D-N.Y., main sponsor of the House amendment, angrily blamed the liquor and restaurant lobbies for stopping her amendment from even getting a vote. "Today the liquor lobby bottled up our bill and demonstrated loud and clear that they put profits ahead of people's lives," Lowey said. Liquor industry scores in fight over national drinking standards

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It seems to me that the further and further I get into my college coursework the more I hear teachers starting sentences with phrases such as “If this were your job...” and “Well, in the real world...”. Excuse me, but I thought that I was living in the “real world.” I sure am glad that somebody finally let me know that all the things that I am going through right now are just part of a very, very long journey.

Now, when I tell you that this article is more about the myth of Cal Poly being at the “leading” edge of “doing” you may yourself find yourself “askin’ What in the world has that got to do with teachers teaching the hardships of the real world?” And I answer... “A lot.”

Cal Poly prides itself on the motto “Learn by Doing,” but is the motto really alive and working within this institution? I would have to say that, yes, but only in a limited capacity, but is that really only for me?

Cal Poly feels it’s enough to just have some hands-on type classes that we are following the “Learn by Doing” credo, but in order to fulfill this standard we must go beyond that. We must be allowed to pursue care for the “real world” with a little less help from the administration rulers.

First let us assume that some act of a higher being is rendered as a schedule that we need and want, but keep in mind this is just the first week. The second week of classes comes along and we are still following and trying very hard in those classes, we are still on the same boat. The third week of the class is falling behind. But, too bad, too bad because unless you have a serious or compelling reason for this, you are held by the class or the rest of the quarter, and with that grade for the rest of your life.

Well and this is where those handy-dandy phrases come in, because these rules are helping to prepare us for “The Real World,” and treating us as if this was your job. And it is our job, but sometimes the fact that we are also the employers exposes the minds of those people making the rules.

Yes, let you read it correctly, go back again and for yourself think you are in need to, but WE PAY at least part of the salaries and bills around this campus, therefore we are part owners of what goes on.

So why is it that I have to live by these stupid rules? Go back to the phrases one more time, only this time see them for the crap that they are.

In this setting, if I feel I am over my head or don’t like the teacher or even if I just want to spend my time doing something else, I am limited in the time I am allowed to realize this and the means with which to change it. This is supposed to prepare me for the real world?

In the real world, if I am over my head, or I don’t like my boss, or I would rather spend my time doing something else, I may give my two weeks notice.

I can already hear people whining “What about bills, are you going to run back to Momma and Daddy?” But what some people may not realize is that I did not say I would quit. I said I would quit, I mean that I have that option. At Cal Poly the options are limited to those that I have been accustomed to. In the real world I have to live with the consequences myself. I am the one who has to figure it out. I can’t possibly be able to meet in situations where bills, expenses, and survival. I am the one who worked to pay. I am the one who worked to pay. I am the one who should decide whether a class is right for me, when I want to decide, and I will deal with the consequences.

Hey, I think, I think I should hear people talking... Yeah, I hear people from the administration saying “Then who is going to teach you the responsibility?” Well the last time I looked I was an adult and I learned I am responsible for my own actions. Sometimes I think that the administration thinks too highly of themselves, and are able to live without some of your rules. We are not stufed. We don’t need and don’t want you to balance in our adult lives.

I have actually heard, from a knowledgeable friend yes I do have some friends that the major reason that Cal Poly does not allow this type of dropping of classes is because the paperwork involved would require more work and would cost more than the current fees. I am glad that we got that cleared up. I wouldn’t want administrators actually doing something for me with the money I pay them. So I left them in San Diego... all right I will call them and ask them what their rule is for freshman or sophomores. I will give them rules for me, just maybe. Maybe that is because my parents know something very important about the administrators at Cal Poly. I am certainly responsible for the things I do or don’t do. The only real way to learn that “Learning by Doing.”

Jazmene Zuffoletto is a journalism senior with many more opinions about Cal Poly’s myth.

Responses to “Obliterating Cal Poly’s rumored greatness,” –Friday, April 3

Is Cal Poly that bad?

TheEditor

In response to Mr. Kunz’s letter regarding Cal Poly, I can “say I feel your pain.” It is plain to see that we do in fact have many problems at Cal Poly. I am not sure if we can say that this is a bad school this. Mr Kunz did in fact have a few good ideas. His idea to “go to the top” is not so bad. I would say that we ought to sneer at much administration as we read. I can usually read that students only get twenty percent of graduation dollars, where is the rest? We know that it is being wasted by another.

The bureaucrats who are in the middle of those people making the rules. I would also like to make profiteers of our money. I am talking about step increases. I am anticipating the forthcoming attacks from the professors who read this. I just want to ask, why not be rewarded for good performance?

So Mr Kunz, you have a case here. I would like to remind folks that Cal Poly is always rated high. There are things that could be done to improve upon that, but I will bet that they will not happen. So my friend, grin and bear it!!!!! Corey Miller is a history junior.

Suck it up, buddy

The Editor

I would like to write a short hopefully reply to the article titled “Obliterating Cal Poly’s rumored greatness,” by John Kunz. John, I only have one thing to say to you, SUCK IT UP.

So Cal Poly isn’t what you expected, but now that you are here you have to make the best of it instead of sitting on your ass and complaining. The points you make are true (not being able to graduate in four years and lack of availability of classes), but there are problems with your points.

I think one reason why you can’t graduate in four years is maybe because you are a fruggin’ engineer, who are supposed to be in school for five years. Other majors on campus are capable of graduating in four years.

Secondly, the class scheduling problem is bad at any school with enrollment above 2000 people. So, unless you are at Cal Tech, scheduling is a problem everywhere.

Finally, maybe if you cut back on your drinking binges and focused on coursework, maybe you wouldn’t have to drink your in 12 year college and transfer. So, since you are here, make the best of it and don’t complain. Believe me, I know (if you know me you’ll understand).

Kenny Stevenson is a speech communication junior.
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crowd their feelings about this spill. On both sides of the truck sat surfboards with R.I.P. painted along their tops to show that surfers can't surf near the dunes.

Gathering protesters cheered and held signs reading: "Backroom deals are hazardous to your health." "Boycott Oil," "Exxon has Valdez, Unocal has this Titanic," and "Cleanup your act," to name a few.

"I am here from UCSB supporting the efforts to try and get the oil out and to educate people (about the spill)," said aquatic biology freshman Katryna Hollomon of the Environmental Affairs Board. "I have planned that I may get arrested.

Attorney for the Coastal Oil Action Coalition John Cohn said the coalition has filed a lawsuit against Unocal.

"The lawsuit is to hold (Unocal) financially responsible for this spill," he said. "Unocal is trying to put a happy face on a very sad situation."

Mark Thomas, protest organizer and executive director of the Surfers Environmental Alliance, said he hopes the protest will help create corporate responsibility.

"Exxon has Valdez, Unocal has this Titanic," Thomas said. "By being here today, you are showing what you believe with your body. Where will the next Guadalupe be?"

Unocal's gate was opened to the public Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon, and refreshments were served at the office about one mile up the road. The protesters stayed at the gate area saying that Unocal was trying to get them out of the public eye.

"It is ironic that they are opening the gate, but they will not let us know what they know about the spill," Cohn said.

Todd Cardinal, vice president of the San Luis Bay chapter of the Surfrider Foundation said he was at the protest to make sure Unocal knows that the eyes of the world are upon them.

"I am happy that they are going to clean up the spill, but I am unhappy that I even have to be here.

The protest remained peaceful and the participants said they just wanted to see the documents that reveal when and how the cleanup will occur. Protesters said this information is not available to the public.

"I am here today because Unocal has covered up for several decades what could be the largest oil spill in the history of the country," said Skye Leone, a member of the Surfer's Environmental Alliance. "The State Attorney General Dan Lunggren has worked out a deal with Unocal, but he will not tell us how the cleanup will occur. Unocal is also blocking public access to information."

Several Unocal employees were available to speak with protesters. They said they opened the gate to show they had nothing to hide and served refreshment as a gesture to show that they wanted to have a dialogue with the protesters.

"We (Unocal) are a little confused at the timing of this protest," said Bill Sherrer, environmental manager for Unocal. "We are moving forward, we have worked with state and local agencies to figure out the best way to deal with this (On Friday), cleanup and abatement orders were approved by the Regional Water Quality Control Board. The process is going forward and a lot is going on to clean up the site."

Sherrer said the documents which state when and how the cleanup will occur are available to the public.

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"Public Safety strongly supports this, and is very interested to get the results," she said. "There are certain things we can do now, but for major problems such as Poly Grove we're very anxious for the plan."

About 100 protesters showed up, carrying signs and speaking out against Unocal.

cleanup will now get started," Mulholland said. "I support this demonstration's efforts to enhance the community awareness. I feel that we should now focus our attention on the largest spill in our area, the Unocal spill at their Tank Farm Road site."

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them right next to each other. Then after you go five miles per hour you've still got people stopping where another stop sign used to be."

Other students are upset at how difficult it is to get to California Boulevard from campus.

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U.S. doubles its pleasure at Davis Cup

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

STONE MOUNTAIN, Ga. — The United States ended its Davis Cup losing streak in doubles Sunday, but not fast enough to keep the Russians from extending the series another day.

Richey Reneberg and Todd Martin, paired for the first time in the Davis Cup, overpowered Russian star Yevgeny Kafelnikov and 18-year-old Marat Safin 7-6, 6-1, 2-6, 6-1, giving the Americans a 2-1 lead in the best-of-5 event.

Since the match exceeded 30 games, the Russians decided to play the reverse singles Monday. Kafelnikov will meet Andre Agassi and Safin takes on Jim Courier at Stone Mountain's International Tennis Center in suburban Atlanta.

The first-round series is a day behind schedule because rain postponed Friday's opening singles matches.

The Americans had not won a Davis Cup doubles match since a first-round triumph against Mexico in 1996, quite a change from the 1970s and '80s when teams such as Stan Smith-Bob Lutz and John McEnroe-Peter Fleming provided a virtually automatic point on the middle day.

"It's obviously a monkey off our backs," said captain Tom Gullikson. "The guy is playing the first time in a Davis Cup against the United States, against Agassi, Courier, Martin and Reneberg."

Martin lost two Davis Cup doubles matches last year, including the deciding point in a humiliating finals sweep by Sweden when teamed with Jonathan Stark. Reneberg looked even worse in his last Davis Cup event, losing in straight sets to the Brazilians in February 1997 while paired with Alex O'Brien.

But Martin and Reneberg hooked up in a tournament last month at Indian Wells, reaching the finals before losing, and Gullikson tapped them to play against Russia.

"I didn't think I would get another shot, to be honest," Reneberg said. "I wasn't nervous at all today. I was very excited to play."

The Americans focused most on their attention on Safin, who grew frustrated as he was pounded by both Americans. Kafelnikov tried to encourage his teammate, repeatedly putting him on the back and offering advice, but Safin was in over his head.

"We knew that we might be able to win some points with him at the net," Reneberg said. "That kind of became our strategy early on, try to go as high as possible, even off Yevgeny's serve, put a little pressure on him. He got discouraged."

The Russian strategy became clear after they lost the first set in a 7-3 tiebreaker — Kafelnikov making a couple of unforced errors — and were blown away in the second. They simply wanted to get to 30 games, knowing a match of that duration would allow their players to take an extra day of rest under Davis Cup rules.

When the Russians won the fourth game of the third set, assuring the match would go another day, Kafelnikov pumped his fist toward captain Shamil Tarpischev. The Russians went on to capture the set, but played the fourth like they already were looking ahead to Monday.

"It was obviously cut and dried before they went on the court," said Alan Mills, referee for the International Tennis Federation.
"If we can go into the national tournament with that confidence, knowing that you’re capable of beating anybody, I think most of the time we will pull through with a win," said Garbo.

The third game was marked by the flare up of emotions by both teams as two yellow cards and one red card were handed out for unsportmanlike behavior. Sparked by the overall play of Beau Dougherty, the Mustangs once again jumped out to an early 5-1 lead. The Hornets then mounted a comeback. With the score tied at seven, the Hornet’s Troy Bowman was given a red card for his choice of words while arguing a call with a line judge.

The Hornets used the call as a momentum builder to take a 12-7 lead. The longest and the most critical rally of the match came when the Hornets holding a slim 12-10 lead in the third game. After three successive digs by Garbo from Hornet spikers, Garbo and Dougherty then allowed the ball to drop between them. Both players were expecting the other to pass the ball.

Garbo yelled out a curse word in frustration and was given a yellow card. Harrison threw his clipboard on the ground because Garbo only received a yellow card while Bowman was given a red card for his use of words earlier in the game. The referee proceeded to give Harrison a yellow card and ejection.

The Mustangs called a time-out to regroup after the momentous efforts. After the time-out and a sidetrack, Garbo redeemed himself by serving out the game as the Mustangs won 15-13.

"That play where the ball dropped killed me," said Garbo. "During the time-out my team let me know that it was done with and thinking about it was not going to do any good." The Hornets were never behind in the fourth and final game which they won 15-10.
The Cal Poly men’s volleyball team fought its way into the semifinal round of the Northern California Collegiate Volleyball Tournament Saturday. But after four games the Mustangs battle ended in a loss to Sacramento State, the No. 1 team in the nation. The Mustangs will try to pick up the momentum again as they head to the national championship in two weeks.

By Jose Garcia

The peaks and valley season of the Cal Poly men’s volleyball club reached another apex during the Northern California League Championship. Unfortunately the crosswinds came with a loss in the semifinal round.

The Mustangs were expendon on Saturday in the Cal Poly Rec Center by the number one team in the nation, the Sacramento State Hornets, by a score of 16-14, 15-10, 13-15, 15-10. This was the first time Cal Poly has hosted the tournament.

The first meeting between the two clubs during the regular season resulted in an easy three games to none victory by the Hornets. This time, the second match was highly competitive and exhibited the easter-totter play that has characterized the Mustang season.

Sacramento eventually lost the championship game against second-ranked U.C. Berkeley 15-10, 16-14, 15-8.

“This season started out well and it ended well,” said the Mustang captain Bryan Garber who had four aces during the match. “We hit a little bit of a valley with some losses in the middle of the season. Even though we lost today, our team is a lot more confident because we were able to hang with them (Sacramento).”

With an overall 8-6 record, the Mustangs will now prepare for the national tournament in two weeks in Austin, Texas. The Mustangs will now try to improve on last year’s 28th ranking at the national tournament, while the Hornets will try to defend their national championship. Placing in the top 16 is a realistic goal the Mustangs have set.

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The Cal Poly men’s volleyball team hosted the Northern California Collegiate Volleyball League Championship Tournament this weekend in the Rec Center.

The Mustangs captured one Big West victory

Daily Staff Report

The Cal Poly baseball team captured their first conference series victory this weekend in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The Mustangs took two games from the New Mexico State Aggies, 2-1, 13-8, 16-11.

The Mustangs are now 5-1 in conference play and 12-20 overall.

On Sunday, eighth Mustang with multiple hits each mounted an offensive battery to maintain the lead the entire game.

Cal Poly held a 6-0 lead early in the game, but the Aggies came back to tie it up at 9-9 in the bottom of the seventh.

In the top of the eighth, Mustang right fielder Jason Barringer hit a homerun to right center, his second of the season and of his career, to get the lead back for the Mustangs, 10-9.

With two out, third baseman Craig Ritter hit a double to drive in Chris Hageman, Matt Bailey and Scott Sheldon. These three runs extended Cal Poly’s lead to 13-9.

The Aggies managed to close the game within two runs at 13-11, but the Mustangs posted an insurmountable lead in the top of the ninth.

Hageman, Cal Poly’s freshman shortstop, hit his first homerun of his career to score Matt Elam, Barringer and himself. Cal Poly led 16-11 and held on to defeat the Aggies.

Barringer went 3-for-4 on the day, bringing in one run and scoring two runs himself.

Steve Wood also went 3-for-4, scoring two runs.

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