Poly team places fourth at Wildflower

By Jennifer Thomson
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Over 1,000 local volunteers cheered on two out-of-state winners at Saturday’s long distance race at the annual Wildflower triathlon. The Cal Poly Triathlon team took fourth place out of 55 colleges competing at the collegiate Olympic race.

Team member Jill Tarver, a nutritional science junior, said the team was excited about placing so high in the ranks among large colleges like Colorado.

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Cal Poly drivers get the ‘boot’

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On-campus drivers have another good reason to pay their parking fines. May 1 marked the re-institution of the school impoundment program, commonly known as “the boot.” The program involves booting or cutting the cars of owners with five outstanding citations 21 days overdue.

University Police said they believe they have re-instituted a ticketing program with fairness and integrity. “It’s with great confidence that we walk back into this program,” said Cindy Campbell, associate director of University Police.

The program will affect all faculty, staff, visitor, guest and student cars. Cars in danger of being impounded are those whose owners have five citations all 21 days overdue without appeal or payment.

After the fifth citation extends past the 21-day payment period on the sixth offense, the car will be cited and marked with a neon green final warning sticker on the windshield. The sticker notifies the owner that he or she has three days to make a payment to University Police. If a payment is not made, the car is impounded and a neon orange warning sticker is placed on the car. The sticker notifies the owner that the car is impounded.

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Woodstock’s fund-raiser to help Methodist church

By Michelle Hatfield
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With the help of Woodstock’s Pizza, the community has an opportunity to raise money to rebuild the United Methodist Church that was burned down Easter Sunday by a suspected arsonist.

Over the next three days, Woodstock’s will donate 25 percent of all in-store purchases to the church. For the church to receive the 25 percent, customers must mention the fund-raiser.

Reto Waeffler, marketing and advertising manager, said it’s Woodstock’s duty to support people and businesses in the community. The fund-raiser will begin today and continue through Wednesday.

“For the 25 years that we’ve been in business, the community has supported us and kept us in business,” Johnston said. “This is our way to contribute to the community.”

Although Johnston is not a member of the church, she said that a picture in the Tribune of a minister holding a cross compelled her and general manager Jeff Lattin to take action.

“I almost feel bittersweet,” Johnston said. “It tugs at your heart strings. Whoever did this had no respect for what a sacred day Easter is for so many people.”

The United Methodist Church was located at 1535 Fredericks St., and is estimated to be a total loss. Initial reports said the church was burned down between 4:30 and 4:50 a.m. April 15.

“It was there for 39 years. It opened on Easter 1960 and was burned down on Easter 2001,” said Dotie Andoli, chair of the church council.

Andoli said church members are very appreciative of Woodstock’s for its support.

“I think (the fund-raiser) gives people the opportunity to share in the loss and rebuilding of the church,” she said. “Regardless of whatever church or sanctuary someone is from, we can all come together.”

Members of the church are still trying to compile a list of what was in the church when it was burned down. Andoli said. She said it will be awhile before the church can compile a list of what was in the church when it was burned down.

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Judgment day

Travis Thurman, right, animal science senior, helps with FFA Career Development Finals at Cal Poly Saturday. High school students from around the state judge plants and animals, such as this sheep.
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wheel has been impounded and that the device placed on the wheel will do damage to the car if removed prior to the device's authorized removal. Full payment must be made in order for the device to be removed. Campbell said that the device is removed immediately once the payment is made.

The police department discovered a problem last year with the software program that managed and controlled the data that notified the department who had outstanding citations. The program was suspended immediately when the problem was recognized.

Many of the steps in the process that were being done manually have now been automated. Technical Coordinator of AFD Network and Technology Services Bob Schremp said that much of the problem had to do with human error. That problem has since been corrected with the automation of many of those crucial steps in the process, he said.

"We’ve gone through the program from start to finish," Schremp said. "We’ve been testing it for a number of weeks now and looking at the data and making sure that it was coming out right.

Campbell said she was comfortable with the fact that University Police

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State at Boulder which took first place in the championships.

Competing in only her second triathlon ever, Tarver placed third overall for the Cal Poly team. Her times, Tarver said. Temperature

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this weekend were in the high 80s to low 90s with no wind. Tarver said the running portion of the race seemed the most difficult for the athletes because of the heat.

Competing in the same category as the professionals, kinesiology senior Eric Harper said that the temperature affected his race as well.

"The temperatures were really soaring," he said. "It was hot, hot, hot!"

Harper said that competing with the professionals in the Long Course event was a great experience.

"They just fly," he said. "Competing with them was motivating and inspiring. It’s so rare to have them in the same race.

Harper agreed with Lindquist that the volunteers at Wildflower are important to the race.

"Without Cal Poly volunteers, this race would not exist," Harper said. "The volunteers were just awesome."

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Cal Poly should kick knickknacks

My first visit to Cal Poly was early in my junior year of high school. I remember being impressed with the university and the beautiful surroundings and thinking, "Well, it’s really too bad that I have no chance of being accepted here." But besides that, I remember seeing the Cal Poly logo in some form everywhere I looked. Everyone was wearing T-shirts, sweatshirts or hats. Almost every single car had a sticker or a license plate frame. I thought it was weird, but it definitely stuck in my mind. It was aploy to get me to remember Cal Poly, I have to say that worked.

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Here I am now, a third-year student, and I see more things with the Cal Poly logo than ever. Of course, El Corral Bookstore is ground zero, but if that wasn’t enough, Cal Poly Downtown sells even more stuff. True, most universities have an off-campus bookstore of some sort, but aside from the occasional catalog schedule, this one doesn’t even sell books, just more knickknacks with the Cal Poly logo. I can understand the sweatshirts, baseball caps and stickers. Even the occasional T-shirt is not too bad. But I really don’t need the see for socks, mouse pads, blankets or wall clocks. During my last trip to the bookstore, I even saw a marble cheese cutter engraved with the university seal. People just don’t need all this stuff. Rather, they don’t need all this stuff with the Cal Poly logo on it. The most over-the-top item at the bookstore has to be the baby clothes emblazoned with the Cal Poly logo. I’m not quite sure which consumer audience this is supposed to target. It’s one thing to tell your children or grandchildren about what a great school Cal Poly is, but it’s entirely another issue to use your 2-month-old baby as a billboard advertisement.

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Opinion

Practice loving – it’s what makes us human beings

W hat is it to be human? Better yet, what is our purpose and why are we here? These are perhaps the most frequently asked questions in the history of mankind. (You don’t need shnnims to dwell on these mysteries.)

Do I think I have the answer? Yes, but it is much bigger than my depreciated, 33 1/3-speed record. I could not take credit for systematically aligning the fundamentals of human essence into the incredible end that it is. Our purpose, our mission, our being, our natural quality that makes us what we are and love.

(Yours?) But seriously, explore this unanswerable idea. I believe that it is a crucial foundation of our species. Who are we? Instead it becomes; Whose are we? Love’s! It’s what makes us human beings.

This is the question that every single one of us asks ourselves. Whether we are children, strangers, or lovers, without interpersonal relationships, "I" holds a meaning in our lives. "It is fully contingent on relationships of family, friends, strangers and lovers. Without interpersonal relationships, "I" holds a meaning in our lives. (Yours.) But seriously, explore this unanswerable idea. It is what makes us human beings.

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The WHO hopes to have the treaty ratified and in place by 2003.

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ANT 360: Human Cultural Adaptation (D4b in prior GE and D4 in GE 2001: 4 credits)

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Instructor: Inui Choi; you will be sent an email with pertinent information upon registering.
Jared Blasdell continued to get hit one of the top pitchers in the country and held the Titans scoreless in the second inning. A single, a pair of doubles scored two runs for Fullerton. Starting pitcher Jared Blasdell continued to get hit hard in the third inning, allowing two more runs to cross the plate.

After giving up seven runs in the first three innings, Blasdell settled down and held the Titans scoreless for the next three innings.

"After giving up those runs early, I decided just to go out there and have a little fun; just fly a little high," Blasdell said.

Fullerton starting pitcher Kirk Sarabia lived up to his billing as one of the top pitchers in the country, shutting down the Mustangs for the first five innings on route to his 12th consecutive win of the season.

The Mustangs finally broke through against Sarabia in the bottom of the sixth, scoring two runs to get the 9-2 run in attendance back into the game. Center fielder Billy Saul singled, progress going with a single. After advancing to third on a wild pitch and a Tullamorn ground out, Saul came into score on a sacrifice fly off the bat of outfielder Kyle Wilson. Aggressive base running and a head-first slide under the catcher's tag by Saul notched the first tally of the game for the Mustangs. The Titans then looked to relax. After Michael hit a double, following by an Andrew Tousaint double to right that scored Wilson and Michael.

A three-run home run by Blasdell put the Mustangs in the lead for good. A sacrifice fly and a single up the middle by Billy Saul got things going with a three-run home run, but Fullerton scored one run in the top of the ninth to finish off Cal Poly, 7-3.

Price gave credit to Fullerton for coming the series sweep. "They're clicking on all cylinders," he said. "They're playing the game the way it's supposed to be played."

This was the 10th consecutive win for the Titans, who have also posted victories in 24 of their last 25 games. Cal Poly drops to 6-6 in the Big West, which puts the team in the middle of the pack. The Mustangs are already putting three runs up in the second inning en route to their season-high winning streak to 12 games — eight to finish the regular season, and four in the playoffs. They haven't lost since April 1.

Carson-based Triple-A Los AngelesThunderbirds, the Class AAA affiliate of the Los Angeles Dodgers, won the first game of their series with a score of 1-0. Blankbecker earned the win by giving up only five hits and one walk.

Sophomore Poohie De Visser scored the first Mustang run on an errant Tiger pickoff attempt, and a base- loaded walk by Haley gave the Mustangs a 2-1 lead in the sixth inning. Junior second baseman Kasey Poit scored later in the inning on a wild pitch giving the game its final score of 3-1.

The second game of Saturday's doubleheader was all Pacific, as they shutout the Mustangs 6-0. They scored one run in each of the first three innings, and added two in the fifth and one in the sixth. The Mustangs got out to a 1-0 lead in the sixth inning, but balks on Palmieri and a walk gave the game to the Tigers 2-1.

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Fullerton scores 30 runs in series sweep
By Ryan Ballard

There was no need to send the grounds crew into the stands to clean up the trash on Sunday afternoon as Cal State Fullerton provided the sweep.

Things went from bad to worse this weekend for the Cal Poly baseball team (28-22) as Fullerton (38-13) finished its No. 3 nation­al ranking. A weekend of domination by Fullerton culminated in a 10-4 win on Sunday.

The Mustangs came into the series with the No. 3 defense in the nation, but series-placed the team against the Titans, especially on Sunday.

In the first inning, first baseman Matt McIver hit the ball get past him on a throw from second baseman Kevin Tillman in what was the potential second out. The next batter walked and catcher Kurt Kay gave Fullerton a lead in the game it would never relinquish with a three-run home to left-center field.

Head coach Rich Price noted how the mistakes fell twice.

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First baseman Holly Ballard tries to tag a Pacific baserunner.

Relentless hitting buries Mustangs
Cal State Fullerton pitcher Kirk Saarloos picked up his 12th win of the season Sunday against Cal State Fullerton. He is a candidate for the Louisville Slugger National Player of the Year award.

Softball ends season with extra-inning loss
By Matt Szabo

The Cal Poly softball team concluded one of its more impressive seasons in recent years Sunday, losing a tough 10-9-inning conference game against No. 18 University of Pacific. The Mustangs also split a doubleheader against the Tigers Saturday, winning the first game 3-1, but falling in the second 6-2.

Although the Mustangs lost two out of three against the Tigers, the team left the field with their heads high.

“We basically turned the program around in one season,” said head coach Lisa Boister. “I’m really proud of the whole season.”

The Mustangs finished 8-13 in the Big West Conference and 28-29 overall, and played a difficult schedule against several ranked opponents.

Pacific (16-5, 47-11) was one of those ranked opponents, and Sunday they showed the Mustangs why. Junior Terra Blankenbeker (14-11) continued her stellar pitching for Cal Poly, throwing all 10 innings and giving up only one run and four hits. But that run was the game-winner, as Tigers’ right-fielder Renee Kading singled home pinch runner Nicole Inouye in the 10th.

“Terra deserved to win,” Boister said. “You can’t win enough about what she’s done. She’s been a mainstay for us this season.”

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Sports Trivia

Yesterday’s Answer:
Tom Seaver pitched a 16-opening-game assignments.

Congrats Randall Murray!

Today’s Question:
Who led his league in at-bats 12 years in a row?

Scores

TEAM

SOFTBALL
Santa Clara 0 Cal State Fullerton 7
Cal Poly 1 Cal Poly 3
Santa Clara 0 Cal State Fullerton 14
Cal Poly 1 Cal Poly 1
Pacific 1 Cal State Fullerton 10
Cal Poly 3 Cal Poly 4
Pacific 6 NBA 105
Cal Poly 0 Lakers 108
Pacific 1 Cal Poly 0

BASEBALL

TEAM

Cal State Fullerton 7
Cal Poly 3
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Cal Poly 1
Cal State Fullerton 10
Cal Poly 4
NBA 105
Lakers 108
Cal Poly 0

Briefs

Track and field finishes third in Fresno
Behind a rash of standout performances, Cal Poly men’s and women’s track and field team took third place at the Fresno State Tri-Meet at Woodward Field Saturday.

Jumper Andrew Radjegov earned first place in the triple jump with a mark of 52-5.1/4. That distance was both a personal best and a qualifying mark for the NCAA Championships in June.

Radjegov also tied for first in the high jump.

David Sidman won both the 800 meters in 1:52.72 and the Mustangs swept the first three spots in the men’s 5,000 meters with Paul Carvalho taking first followed by Austin Blackwell and David Jackson.

Stephanie Brown won both the shot put and discus while Katie Bourgeois took first in the women’s high jump. Natalie Dennis finished first in the pole vault with a personal-best 12-feet mark.

Magpie literary won the 200, Jasmine Hall and Katherine Schlegel took first and second in the 800, and Schlegel won the 1,500 in 4:48.96.