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SAN DIEGO STATE CLAIMS 2003 MWC SOFTBALL REGULAR SEASON TITLE

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. - The San Diego State Aztecs claimed their second consecutive regular-season Mountain West Conference softball crown with its 2-1 game two win over Colorado State Saturday. The victory over the Rams earned the Aztecs (36-17 overall, 12-3 MWC) the No. 1 seed in this week's MWC Softball Championship in San Diego.

Colorado State earned the second seed with a 13-7 record in MWC play and finished the regular-season with a 34-13 overall record. BYU finished third in the league with a 10-7 mark, while Utah claimed the fourth seed, posting a 7-9 league record (20-25 overall). The fifth and sixth seeds go to New Mexico and UNLV, respectively. The Lobos finished MWC play with a 7-13 record, while the Rebels finished 4-14 in league competition.

The conference tournament will take place May 8-10 at SDSU Field on the campus of San Diego State. The opening game will see 3rd-seeded BYU taking on 6th-seeded UNLV at 9 a.m. on Thursday, May 8. No. 4 Utah and No. 5 New Mexico will be the other opening round match on Thursday. San Diego State and Colorado State will receive opening round byes. The Rams will play the winner of BYU and UNLV at 2 p.m. on Thursday, while the Aztecs will go against the winner of Utah and New Mexico Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

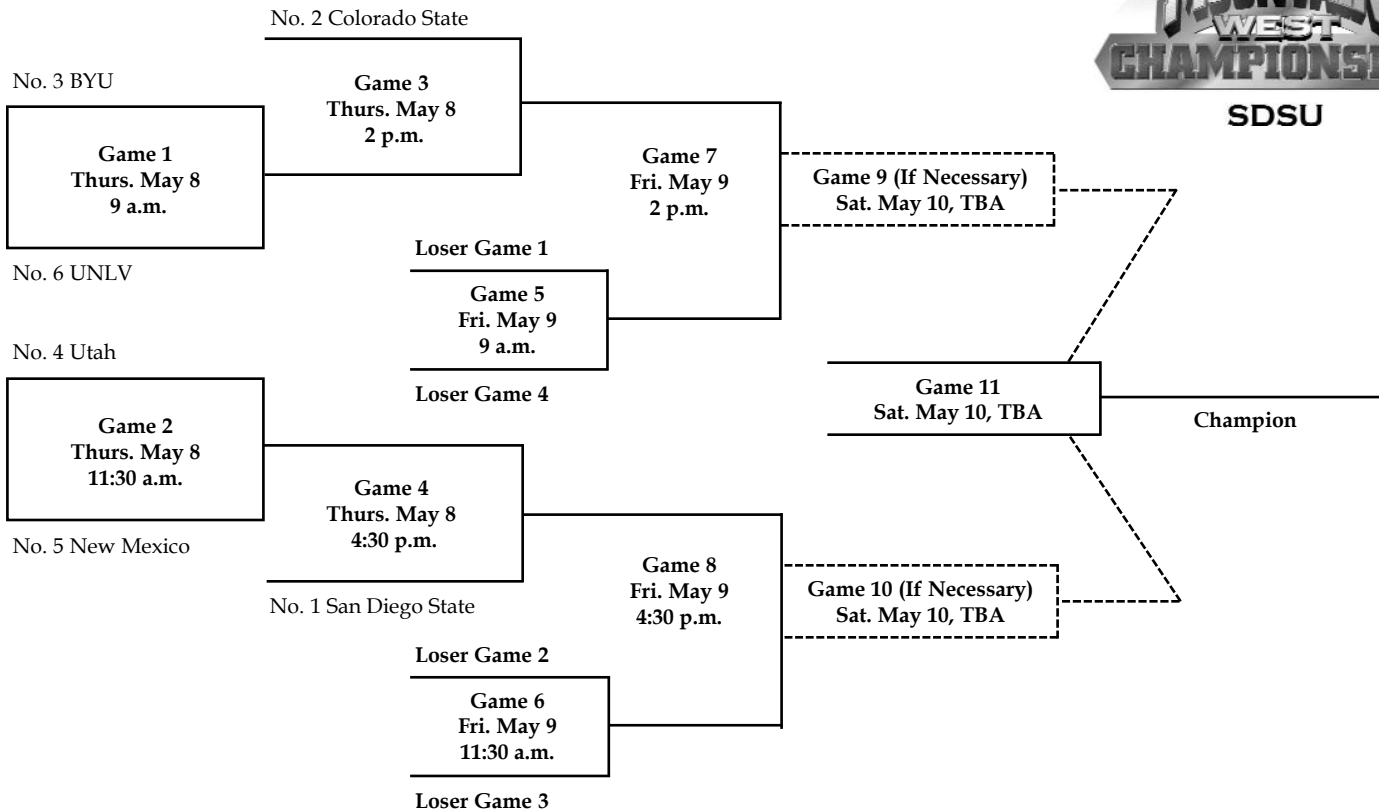
The Mountain West Conference Softball Championship game will be on Saturday, May 10, with the winner receiving an automatic bid into the 2003 NCAA Softball Championship.

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2003 Mountain West Conference Softball Championship

Thursday - Saturday, May 8-10 - SDSU Field

San Diego, Calif.



BRACKET NOTES:

1. If the winner of Game 5 defeats the winner of Game 3 (Game 7), then Game 9 is necessary.
2. If the winner of Game 6 defeats the winner of Game 4 (Game 8), then Game 10 is necessary.
3. If necessary, game times for the Saturday semi-finals will be 9 a.m. and/or 11:30 a.m., the championship game will begin at 2 p.m.
4. If semi-final games on Saturday are not necessary, the championship game will begin at Noon.
5. Seeds will be determined after the conclusion of the regular season with the top two seeds receiving first round byes.