



2018 BIG WEST MEN'S SOCCER

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BIG WEST ANNOUNCES 2018 MEN'S SOCCER ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM

IRVINE, Calif. – The major men's soccer awards were spread out among five schools to highlight the announcement of the 2018 Big West Men's Soccer All-Conference Team on Tuesday.

Regular season champion UC Irvine took home three primary Big West awards with **IVAN CANALES** as Offensive Player of the Year, **DANIEL CRISOSTOMO** as Midfielder of the Year and **YOSSI RAZ** as Coach of the Year. Repeat award recipients included CSUN's **HENRIK REGITNIG** earning Goalkeeper of the Year recognition and **ROY BOATENG** of UC Davis collecting Defensive Player of the Year accolades. **BENJI KIKANOVIC** of Sacramento State and **BEN ROACH** of UC Santa Barbara were named Co-Freshman of the Year honorees.

The all-conference first team consisted of eight seniors, one junior and four sophomores. Four individuals claimed a repeat selection to the first team – Boateng, Regitnig, UC Santa Barbara's **RODNEY MICHAEL** and Cal State Fullerton's **ROSS McPHIE**.

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR • IVAN CANALES, UC IRVINE

Senior • Forward • Santa Ana, Calif. • JSerra HS

- Finished the regular season topping the Big West in points (25) and co-leading in goals (10).
- Led all-conference players with six game-winning goals. Nine career game-winners ties him for No. 8 all-time in league record book.
- Scored six of his 10 goals during Big West play, including game-winners versus UC Riverside, Cal State Fullerton and Cal Poly.
- Had two multi-goal games (Cal State Fullerton and Cal Poly).
- Clutch scorer has scored three goals in double overtime, including one with two seconds left against Cal Poly.
- Became just the seventh player in Big West history to amass at least 20 career goals and 20 career assists.
- Seventh 'Eater to earn top offensive honors, following Jon Spencer (2001), Brad Evans (2005, 2006), Irving Garcia (2009), Amani Walker (2010), Miguel Ibarra (2011) and Giovanni Godoy (2017).

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR • ROY BOATENG, UC DAVIS

Senior • Accra, Ghana • Rancho Cotate HS

- Third player in history to repeat as top defensive player – Edwin Miranda (CSUN, 2002-03) & Andy Iro (UC Santa Barbara, 2005-07).
- Started all 17 games while anchoring Aggie defensive unit that allowed only 15 goals – second-fewest among Big West schools.
- Helped UC Davis post the conference's second-lowest team goals against average (0.85).
- Scored a goal against San Jose State on August 31.
- Contributed to six shutouts, tied for third among Big West schools.

MIDFIELDER OF THE YEAR • DANIEL CRISOSTOMO, UC IRVINE

Senior • Fontana, Calif. • The Webb Schools

- Fourth Ant eater to be tabbed league's best midfielder, joining Brad Evans (2004), Matt Murphy (2006) and Enrique Cardenas (2013).
- Scored first three goals of his career this season. Added three assists for a total of nine points.
- Played key role in fueling Big West's most potent offense – ranked No. 1 in goals (34), assists (36) and points (104).

GOALKEEPER OF THE YEAR • HENRIK REGITNIG, CSUN

Senior • Invermere, B.C. • UMKC

- Fifth individual in Big West history to earn second career goalkeeper award, and second Matador (Kevin Guppy, 2005 & 2008).
- Finished regular season with 9-6-1 record, 58 saves and 1.05 goals against average.
- Ranked No. 4 in Big West in GAA, No. 5 in saves and No. 5 in save percentage (.773).
- Tallied five shutouts this season, giving him nine for his career for the seventh-most in CSUN history.
- Three-time Big West Defensive Player of the Week, and one of only four players in league history with six career weekly citations.

COACH OF THE YEAR • YOSSI RAZ, UC IRVINE

- Becomes first Coach of the Year from UC Irvine since George Kuntz in 2008.
- Led UCI to the program's first regular season title since 2013 – 'Eaters finished 5-1-1 for 16 points.
- In guiding UCI to 11-5-2 overall record, team has been nationally ranked in all three major polls, including No. 13 by Top Drawer Soccer.
- Helped build one of nation's top offenses – ranked in the NCAA in goals (34, t-13th), assists (36, t-11th) and points (104, 14th).

CO-FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR • BENJI KIKANOVIC, SACRAMENTO STATE

Forward • Antelope, Calif. • Antelope HS

- First Hornet to capture the conference's top freshman honor.
- Led all Big West freshmen in goals (5) and points (14). Tied for most assists by a freshman with four.
- Tied for No. 7 in the Big West in goals and points.
- Scored game-winning goals against CSU Bakersfield and San Francisco. Had first career multi-goal game against CSUB.

CO-FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR • BEN ROACH, UC SANTA BARBARA

Goalkeeper • Santa Barbara, Calif. • Santa Barbara HS

- First goalkeeper to earn top freshman award since UC Irvine's Andrew Fontein in 2008.
- Gives the Gauchos a freshman recipient for the sixth time in the last seven years, and 10th time in 18-year history of the award.
- Posted a 10-5-1 record with 49 saves and a 0.73 goals against average, currently the third-lowest in school history.
- Tied for No. 2 in Big West with six shutouts. Twelve goals allowed is fewest by any starting goalie in the conference.
- Made career-high nine saves against nationally ranked Saint Mary's.

2018 ALL-BIG WEST MEN'S SOCCER TEAM

FIRST TEAM

<i>Player</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
Ivan Canales	UC Irvine	Senior	Forward	Santa Ana, Calif.
Sean Goode	Cal Poly	Senior	Forward	Mission Viejo, Calif.
+Rodney Michael	UC Santa Barbara	Sophomore	Forward	Freetown, Sierra Leone
Daniel Trejo	CSUN	Sophomore	Forward	Mendota, Calif.
Daniel Aguirre	UC Riverside	Sophomore	Midfielder	Redwood City, Calif.
Daniel Crisostomo	UC Irvine	Senior	Midfielder	Fontana, Calif.
+Ross McPhie	Cal State Fullerton	Senior	Midfielder	Nelson, New Zealand
Andrew Rizeq	CSUN	Senior	Midfielder	Mission Viejo, Calif.
Hunter Ashworth	UC Santa Barbara	Sophomore	Defender	Laguna Beach, Calif.
Noah Billingsley	UC Santa Barbara	Junior	Defender	Wellington, New Zealand
+Roy Boateng	UC Davis	Senior	Defender	Accra, Ghana
Robert Coronado	Cal State Fullerton	Senior	Defender	La Habra, Calif.
+Henrik Regitnig	CSUN	Senior	Goalkeeper	Invermere, B.C., Canada

SECOND TEAM

<i>Player</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
Samuel Goni	Cal State Fullerton	Senior	Forward	Marcella, Navarra, Spain
Benji Kikanovic	Sacramento State	Freshman	Forward	Antelope, Calif.
Adam Mickelson	UC Davis	Junior	Forward	Missoula, Mont.
George Grote	Cal Poly	Junior	Midfielder	Huntington Beach, Calif.
Mark Hernandez	Cal State Fullerton	Senior	Midfielder	Anaheim, Calif.
Jose Ortiz	UC Irvine	Junior	Midfielder	Los Angeles, Calif.
Darren Hamilton	UC Irvine	Senior	Defender	Wallsend, Newcastle, England
Jumoke Hutton	CSUN	Senior	Defender	Santa Barbara, Calif.
Jose Soto	UC Irvine	Senior	Defender	Ontario, Calif.
Justin Wright	UC Davis	Senior	Defender	Los Angeles, Calif.
Paul-Andre Guerin	Cal State Fullerton	Junior	Goalkeeper	Bastia, France

+Two-time All-Big West First Team selection

2018 Offensive Player Of The Year

Ivan Canales, UC Irvine

2018 Midfielder Of The Year

Daniel Crisostomo, UC Irvine

2018 Goalkeeper Of The Year

Henrik Regitnig, CSUN

2018 Defensive Player Of The Year

Roy Boateng, UC Davis

2018 Coach Of The Year

Yossi Raz, UC Irvine

2018 Co-Freshman Of The Year

Benji Kikanovic, Sacramento State
Ben Roach, UC Santa Barbara

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HONORABLE MENTION

<i>Player</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
Roberto Garcia	UC Riverside	Sophomore	Forward	Baldwin Park, Calif.
Christian Pinzon	Cal State Fullerton	Sophomore	Forward	Bellflower, Calif.
Alvaro Quezada	UC Irvine	Sophomore	Forward	Lancaster, Calif.
Giovanni Aguilar	CSUN	Sophomore	Midfielder	Olivehurst, Calif.
Brian Quintero	UC Davis	Senior	Midfielder	Bellflower, Calif.
Dominic Scotti	Sacramento State	Senior	Midfielder	Granite Bay, Calif.
Samuel Dadzie	CSUN	Junior	Defender	Sacramento, Calif.
Brecc Evans	Cal Poly	Freshman	Defender	Culver City, Calif.
Dusan Keca	UC Riverside	Senior	Defender	Serbia
Simon Boehme	Cal Poly	Senior	Goalkeeper	Copenhagen, Denmark
Wallis Lapsley	UC Davis	Junior	Goalkeeper	Seattle, Wash.

ALL-FRESHMAN TEAM

<i>Player</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
Zico Bailey	Cal State Fullerton	Midfielder	Las Vegas, Nev.
Daniel Castaneda	UC Riverside	Midfielder	Riverside, Calif.
Brecc Evans	Cal Poly	Defender	Culver City, Calif.
Oscar Govea	Sacramento State	Midfielder	Los Banos, Calif.
Benji Kikanovic	Sacramento State	Forward	Antelope, Calif.
Robert Mejia	UC Davis	Midfielder	Denair, Calif.
Michael Orozco	UC Irvine	Defender	La Crescenta, Calif.
Wolfgang Prentice	CSUN	Midfielder	Redondo Beach, Calif.
Ben Roach	UC Santa Barbara	Goalkeeper	Santa Barbara, Calif.
Edward Salazar	Cal State Fullerton	Defender	Anaheim Hills, Calif.
Andy Velasquez	UC Davis	Midfielder	Ceres, Calif.