



2005-06 UNLV Coaching Staff (Paul Davidson, Raluca Udriou, Jim Reitz, Jonathan Hugo, Julie Whitehead, Kunio Kono, Vince Davidson)



2005-06 Rebel Swimming & Diving

Head Coach Jim Reitz

2004-05 Mountain West Conference Women's Swimming & Diving Champions



Jim Reitz enters his 26th season as UNLV head coach, coming off the best year of his career in Las Vegas, as he guided both the men's and women's swimming and diving programs to their first-ever Mountain West Conference championship. It was the first-ever conference championship for the men's program after several close calls in their 25-year history and the fourth all-time conference championship for the women (they won the Big West in 1984, 1991 and 1992). The year did not finish there, as Reitz saw the Rebel men earn three relay All-American honorable mentions to finish 24th at the NCAAs, - the second-highest finish in school history.

The five-time Big West Conference Coach of the Year (1984, 1991 and 1994 women's, 1987 and 1996 men's) and four-time MWC Coach of the Year (2000, 2001 and 2005 men, 2005 women) has taken programs that were non-existent and built them into consistent winners.

Both the men's and women's programs have produced numerous All-Americans while rising to national prominence and are consistently scoring at the NCAA Championships. In addition, Reitz has sent several swimmers to represent the U.S. National Team.

Surrounded by talented assistant coaches, Reitz and his staff are devoted to the goal of becoming a program that battles for a place in the top 25 on a yearly basis. He emphasizes consistency and intensity during training.

Reitz also expects the same consistency and intensity from his students-athletes in the classroom. During the 2003-04 season, a record 30 Rebels (15 women and 15 men) were named to the Mountain West Conference All-Academic Team.

A native of Seattle, Wash., Reitz coached 15 years before coming to UNLV. He coached at both Cascade and Seattle Swim clubs and was head of the physical education departments at Shorewood High School in Seattle.

Reitz moved to Las Vegas in 1976 and began coaching the Sandpiper Swim Team before taking over the reigns of the Rebel programs in 1980.

Reitz earned bachelor's degrees in physical education and psychology from the University of Washington in 1975. He and his wife, Nina, have two children, Emily (24) and Ben (21).



REITZ' DUAL MEET RECORD AT UNLV

<u>Year</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
1980-81	n/a	n/a
1981-82	2-4-1	6-4
1982-83	9-5	4-7
1983-84	5-5	5-4
1984-85	3-4	4-3
1985-86	2-7	7-3
1986-87	3-5	8-3
1987-88	3-2	2-3
1988-89	2-4	4-2
1989-90	3-5	9-1
1990-91	4-4	8-0
1991-92	7-3	9-1
1992-93	3-5	6-2
1993-94	4-4	7-2
1994-95	6-4	9-5
1995-96	7-3	7-5
1996-97	10-3	10-6
1997-98	7-2	6-6
1998-99	9-2	8-3
1999-00	6-4	9-3
2000-01	7-4	7-4
2001-02	4-6	6-2
2002-03	4-7	9-5
2003-04	4-5	9-3
2004-05	6-4	8-4
Totals	99-90-1	146-64

REITZ' CONFERENCE COACH OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Men

- 1987 - Big West
- 1996 - Big West
- 2000 - Mountain West
- 2001 - Mountain West
- 2005 - Mountain West

Women

- 1984 - Big West
- 1991 - Big West
- 1994 - Big West
- 2005 - Mountain West

Assistant Coaches



Kunio Kono Head Assistant Coach

Kunio Kono begins his third season with the Rebel swimming program as the head assistant coach. Kono serves as recruiting coordinator and coach the men's and women's sprint group.

Kono joined the Rebels from the University of Alabama, where he spent two seasons as a graduate assistant coach. He was responsible for coaching the sprint groups and assisted in the recruiting efforts. Kono coached three men and two women to

All-American honors, and the Tide men had their highest national finish since 1994, taking 12th place. The women posted their highest finish since 1996, taking 15th at the NCAA meet.

During his tenure at Alabama, Kono was also the head coach of the Masters Swim Team. He coached eight of the highest point scorers in different age groups and led his team to the Alabama State Masters Meet title in spring 2003.

From 1994-2001, Kono served as the men's and women's swimming operations manager at the University of Arizona. During those seven seasons, the Wildcat men's swimming program went from a No. 16 national ranking in 1994 to No. 3 in 2000. Kono helped coach 15 men and 16 women to All-American honors and coached seven student-athletes that went on to participate in the 1996 and 2000 Olympics.

Kono served the 1993-94 season as a volunteer assistant coach with the USC Trojans Swim Club and coached several swimmers who went on to compete in the 1992 and 1996 Olympics.

Kono is a 2003 graduate of the University of Alabama with a master's degree in health science. He earned his undergraduate degree in visual communication from the University of Arizona.

He is married to Miho Kawabe, bronze medalist in synchronized swimming at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics. They reside in Las Vegas.



Paul Davidson Assistant Coach

Paul Davidson begins his first season with the UNLV men's and women's swimming and diving program and coaches the distance groups while also handling women's recruiting.

Davidson has five years of collegiate coaching experience, having spent three years at the University of Michigan from 1994-96. While at UM, Davidson also was an assistant coach for the Club Wolverine swim team. He left Michigan in 1996 to take over as head coach of Conejo Simi Aquatics in Simi Valley, Calif., where he remained until this past summer when he accepted the position with the Rebels. During his 10 years coaching Conejo Simi, he increased the size of the team while coaching it to a Coastal section championship in 2000. He developed several Olympic Trials and National Championship qualifiers. Since 2003, he also served as assistant coach at California Lutheran, helping to start the program from the first steps.

He was a member of the UC Irvine water polo team from 1980-85 and was a part of the NCAA Championship team in 1982. After the end of his eligibility, Davidson began coaching for the SoCal Aquatics Association in Tustin, Calif where he served as senior coach and assistant national coach from 1985-1994 before moving on to Michigan. He graduated from UCI in 1988 with a bachelor of art degree in film studies and comparative literature.



Aaron Workman Assistant Coach



Aaron Workman begins his first season with the UNLV men's and women's swimming and diving program and coaches the sprint and middle distance groups while handling men's recruiting.

Workman was head coach at Hollins University in Roanoke, Va., from 2002-03, and guided them to their best record in eight years. Following that season, he joined the coaching staff at Wittenberg as an assistant coach, where he worked mainly with the sprint group. In his one season they broke several school records while two of his swimmers earned All-America status.

Workman swam at the University of Kentucky, where he was a four-time All-American during his four years there (1997-2001). He helped the Wildcats to four straight top-20 finishes and swam in the 2000 Olympic Trials. He was also a two-time academic all-conference, named Academic All-American in 2001.

Workman graduated from the school in 2001 with a bachelor's of science degree in broadcasting. Following his graduation, he was assistant senior coach for the Wildcat Aquatics club for two years.

Workman and his wife Jaime, also a former All-American swimmer at Kentucky, reside in North Las Vegas.

Julie Whitehead Diving Coach



Julie Whitehead begins her third season as the head diving coach with the UNLV swimming and diving program.

Whitehead is a 2002 graduate of Nevada, Reno, with a bachelor's degree in health ecology.

Prior to joining UNLV, Whitehead served as head diving coach for

the Clark County High School Sunrise Division in Las Vegas. She spent three years as the assistant coach of the Nevada Diving Club in Reno and served as the assistant diving coach in the Washoe County School District.

Whitehead was a four-year letterwinner at UNR. She finished fifth in the 3-meter diving event at the 2001 WAC Championship meet, and finished 22nd and 23rd, respectively, in the 1- and 3-meter boards at the NCAA Zone meet. She finished second in the 1-meter diving event and third in the 3-meter at the 2000 Big West Championships. As a sophomore, she took eighth in the 1-meter competition at the 1999 Big West Championships and qualified for the NCAA Zone Championships.



Support Staff



TOM REYMER
VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT
SWIMMING COACH

Tom Reymer begins his third season as a volunteer assistant coach with the UNLV men's and women's swimming and diving program.

Reymer assists with the distance groups, dryland workouts, event management and he coordinates video production of the team's meets and practices.

Prior to joining the swim staff, Reymer was coach of the UNLV Triathlete Club, where he twice coached his team to the Southwest Collegiate Championships.

As an athlete, Reymer is a three-time participant at the US Triathlon Nationals.

Reymer is a 2002 graduate of UNLV with a major in physical education and a minor in coaching.



VINCE DAVIDSON
VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT
DIVING COACH

Vince Davidson is in his first year as a volunteer assistant coach with the UNLV men's and women's diving program.

A 1997 graduate of Cimarron Memorial High in Las Vegas, Davidson was a four-year letterwinner, three-time state qualifier and state runner-up in 1997 for the Spartans. He has been a coach for the Rebel Dive Club and the City of Henderson Recreation Diving program for the past five years, and has coached Sunset high school division in 2001-02. Davidson, who is pursuing his degree in radiation therapy at Southern Nevada Community College, is also currently working at Treasure Island in the Sirens of TI pirate show.



SHAYNA BURNS
Student Assistant

Shayna Burns is in her first year as a student assistant for the Rebel swimming and diving program after an outstanding three-year career for UNLV.

Burns is the school record holder in both the 100 (1:03.27) and 200 (2:15.59) breaststroke. She finished with a total of eight top-eight finishes in her three years as a Rebel, including a runner-up finish in the 200 breast as a freshman. She also swam on two MWC title relays for UNLV, the 400 medley in both 2003 and 2005. Her freshman year, she swam at the NCAA Championships, finishing 34th in the 100 breast and 40th in the 200 breast in 2003.

A native of Toronto, Burns was a 2000 and 2004 Canadian Olympic Trials qualifier. She is currently working on finishing her degree in journalism.



JONATHAN HUGO
Student Assistant

Jonathan Hugo is in his first year as a student assistant for the Rebel swimming and diving program after a stellar four years on the UNLV team.

Hugo is one of the most accomplished swimmers in the history of the MWC, with six individual titles and nine relay titles under his belt. He holds the school and conference records in the 50 free (19.74) and the 100 back (48.34), in which he was a three-time champion. Hugo was named MWC Swimmer of the Year in 2003 after winning the 50 and 100 free and the 100 back. He swam at the NAAs in both 2003 and 2005, with his highest individual finish coming in 2003 (28th in the 100 back). He earned three relay All-American Honorable Mention honors at the 2005 meet after helping UNLV to two 13th place finishes and one 16th place.

Hugo, from Cape Town, South Africa, finished third in both the 50 and 100 back at the 2004 SA Olympic Trials. He is working on his degree in accounting.



RALUCA UDROIU
Student Assistant

Raluca Udriou is in her first year as a student assistant for the Rebel swimming and diving program after an outstanding three-year career for UNLV.

Udriou made a tremendous impact on the team in her three years in the pool for the Rebels, as she was named MWC Swimmer of the Year in both 2003 and 2005. This past year she won two events and swam on a first-place relay to help the Rebels to their first-ever MWC title. She won a total of six MWC titles over her three years, and swam on three first-place relays. Udriou currently holds the school record in both the 100 (54.60) and 200 back (158.30). She was also a 2000 Olympian, having swam for Romania in Sydney.

A native of Baia Mare, she is working on her degree in hotel management.

UNLV Rebel Rosters

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>POS.</u>	<u>HT.</u>	<u>YR.</u>	<u>HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL</u>
Julie Babin	Distance Free/IM	5-8	Sr.	Toronto, Ontario/Richview Collegiate Institue
Kim Bonney	Breast/IM	5-6	So.	Cape Town, South Africa/Fairmont
Jessie Bradshaw	Sprint Free/Back	5-7	Sr.	Calgary, Alberta/Bishop Carroll
Lauren Browning	Free	5-11	Jr.	Truckee, Calif./Truckee
Brandy Chapman	Diver	5-0	Fr.	Las Vegas, Nev./Coronado
Lauren Crumbaker	Distance Free/IM	5-4	So.	Arvada, Colo./Pomona
Sarah Finley	Free/Fly/Back	5-8	Fr.	Post Falls, Idaho/Post Falls
Kelly Guittierez	IM/Breast	5-2	So.	Greeley, Colo./Greeley Central
Megan Hunt-Higgins	Sprint Free/Back	5-5	So.	Seattle, Wash./Shorecrest Shoreline
Caitlin Kelly	Diver	5-5	So.	Canon City, Colo./Canon City
Natalie Kleinman	Free/Breast	5-6	Jr.	Panama City, Calif./Ulysses S. Grant
Bailey Kuestermeyer	IM/Breast	5-5	Fr.	Pullayup, Wash./Emerald Ridge
Nichole McLean	Diver	5-5	Sr.	Edmonton, Alberta/Sherwood Park Bev Facey
Jenna Neff	Fly/Free	5-8	So.	Wenatchee, Wash./Wenatchee
Kari Nettenstrom	Free/Fly	5-4	So.	Hartland, Wisc./Arrowhead
Heather Orme	Diver	5-5	Jr.	Henderson, Nev./Coronado
Sarah Pirie	Sprint Free	5-7	Fr.	Phoenix, Ariz./Thunderbird
Marina Sandback	Free	5-5	So.	Vasteras, Sweden/Rudbeckianska Gymnasiet
Lani Seaman	Distance Free	5-5	Jr.	Ridgecrest, Calif./Sherman E. Burroughs
Sophia Seanez	Distance Free/IM	5-3	Jr.	Phoenix, Ariz./St. Mary's
Tiffany Vincent	Fly/Back	5-5	Jr.	Brantford, Ontario/North Park Collegiate
Norah Vogan	Breast	5-6	Fr.	Grand Prairie, Alberta/Lethbridge
Amber Walker	Free	6-0	So.	Newark, Del./Newark
Amanda Weinbrecht	Back/Fly	5-9	Fr.	San Diego, Calif./University City
Wendy Williams	Diver	5-3	So.	Las Vegas, Nev./Palo Verde
Katie Wronn	Free	5-7	Jr.	Citrus Heights, Calif./Bella Vista
Alison Zick	Distance Free	5-8	Sr.	Roseville, Calif./Woodcreek

2005-06 UNLV Men

2004-05 Mountain West Conference

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POS.</u>	<u>HT.</u>	<u>YR.</u>	<u>HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL</u>
Jonas Andersson	Breast	5-9	Fr.	Enskede, Sweden/Sodralatins Gymnasium
Joe Bartoch	Fly/Free	6-4	Sr.	London, Ontario, Canada/St. Thomas Aquinas
Tamas Bosnyak	IM/Fly	6-3	So.	Skoude/Sweden/Alleskolan
John Byers	Free/Fly	6-5	Jr.	Moscow, Idaho/Moscow
Tiger Christian	Back/Fly/IM	6-2	So.	Nacogdoches, Texas/Nacogdoches
Johan Claar	Free/Fly	6-2	Fr.	Bankeryd, Sweden/Sandagymnasiet
Eric Culberson	Breast/Free	6-1	Jr.	Conway, Ark./Conway
Magnus Egmar	Free/IM	6-2	So.	Stockholm, Sweden/Blackebergs Gymnasium
Jeff Ellingsen	IM/Back	6-2	Fr.	Henderson, Nev./Green Valley
Clifton Harris	Breast	6-4	Fr.	Mesa, Ariz./Mountain View
Adrian Law	Fly/Back	6-1	Jr.	Tacoma, Wash./Wilson
Adam Martinson	Back/Fly	5-11	Sr.	Calgary, Alberta, Canada/Bishop Carroll
Matthew Morton	Distance Free	6-0	So.	Portland, Ore./Glencoe
Brandon Nelms	Sprint Free	6-4	Jr.	Plano, Texas/Plano
Devin Phillips	Free/Back	6-5	So.	Edmonton, Alberta/Ross Sheppard
John Pittenger	Distance Free	6-0	So.	Truckee, Calif./Truckee
Erik Ringdahl	Breast/Free	6-3	Jr.	Longmont, Colo./Longmont
Curtis Robinson	Breast/IM	6-1	Sr.	Rancho Cordova, Calif./Cordova
Eli Tanimoto	Diver	5-10	So.	Las Vegas, Nev./Palo Verde
Kyle Tannehill	Distance Free	6-3	Sr.	Sherwood, Ore./Sherwood