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Utah State vs. Cal State Bakersfield "A Cold-Blooded Wrecking Machine since 2007"

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The Hit List

#	NAME	HT	POS	YR
3	Alex Johnson	5-10	G	Jr.
11	Donavan Bragg	6-3	G	Sr.
44	Stephon Carter	6-3	G	So.
33	Rashad Savage	6-6	F	Jr.
52	Cory Brown	6-10	C	Sr.
1	De'Aundray Robinson	6-5	F	Fr.
10	Ivan Matip	6-3	G	Fr.
20	Lance Bailey	6-2	G	Fr.
21	Robert Hayes	5-10	G	Jr.
22	Cody Kale	6-3	G	Fr.
23	Donald Johnson	6-8	F	Jr.
24	Reynaul Baker	6-2	G	Fr.
34	Kregg Jones	6-8	F	Fr.
45	James Albright	6-6	F	So.

Head Coach: Keith Brown

In All Honesty: A game preview

Cal State Bakersfield, much like Long Beach State, has had a confusing start to the season. They've won some games that might be surprising, and lost others they probably should have won.

Leading the way for the Roadrunners is the trio of Stephon Carter, Donovan Bragg and Alex Johnson. Those three are going to put the Aggies' backcourt defense to the test as the trio averages a combined 47.5 points per game, all while shooting rather impressively from the field.

Right behind those three is forward Rashad Savage, who is averaging 9.6 points and 10.3 rebounds per game.

In other words, scoring has not been much of a problem for the Roadrunners this year. Defense on the other hand, has been quite an issue, with their opponents scoring an average of 73.1 points per game, despite playing the 322nd ranked strength of schedule.

A particular weakness for Bakersfield has been their post defense, which means they are basically screwed having to face the likes of Tai, Nate and Brady.

Still, the Roadrunners are a team that can live by the 3-pointer, and if Weber State, Northeastern and Denver are any indication, teams that get hot from outside can give USU trouble.

Seeing as how defense is a much more reliable thing to fall back on, the Aggies should be able to take control of this game by simply doing what they do. There will be plenty of work to be done by the Pane, Pooh and Newbold trio to slow down CSB's guards, but they've faced tougher already this year.

Missed any issues of The Refraction???

Visit www.usustats.com/refraction and get caught up on what you've been missing (that means you freshmen). Also join our group on Facebook for all our updates and info on coordinating the chaos that we so often coordinate.

The Petri Dish - The team with the boys (and coach) in the plastic bubbles

#1 **De'Aundray Robinson** - Spells his name "De'Aundray," and that is ridiculous.

#3 **Alex Johnson** - Career goal is to work for ESPN, because that is the only way he will be able to appear on ESPN.

#10 **Ivan Matip** - Plays piano and sings.

#11 **Donavan Bragg** - Facebook profile picture is a poster for "Space Jam" which is actually pretty cool.

#21 **Robert Hayes** - Transfer from San Francisco State.

#23 **Donald Johnson** - Brother is Utah State offensive lineman Spencer Johnson.

#33 **Rashad Savage** - Would be better if his first name was Randy.

#34 **Kregg Jones** - Spells his name "Kregg," and that is ridiculous.

#45 **James Albright** - Wants to continue his basketball career after graduating.

Will probably have to improve on his 3 points per game average if he wants to do that.

Aggies still going right where Wile E. Coyote went wrong for all those years...

For the fifth straight year, the Aggies of Utah State look to remind the Roadrunners of Cal State Bakersfield that no matter how many indicators there are that their program is rapidly progressing, that they still are a long ways from being all that relevant.

The average margin of victory of 19 points for the Aggies in each of the past four seasons stands as an obvious middle finger to the infamous Wile E. Coyote after all of his failed

escapades to get the best of the Roadrunner.

On a semi-related note, and a rather sad one, there is only one school in all of Division 1, the University of South Dakota, to have the Coyotes as their mascot. One would think that with USD being in the lowly Great West Conference, they'd be thrilled to play a team like Bakersfield. Sadly, there are no college basketball games between Coyotes and Roadrunners this year... Is there no justice in this world???



Get ready for some SOW action!!!

What better way to unwind after finals week than to go and show up an entire fan-base (if you can call it that) in their own building???

Well it's just about that time of year to head down to Orem and educate the 13th graders at UVSC about just how college basketball is done. Deep down we're hoping that some of their students will come and talk trash on the eventual Facebook event for the game and tell us how the Aggies won't be able to withstand the chaos of the M.A.W.L. That was so much fun last time...

For those not in the know, the M.A.W.L. stands for the Mighty Athletic Wolverine League... And no, they're not kidding. We owe it to society to knock them back down a peg or two at any opportunity.

There's also another huge thing for the Spectrum on Wheels that everyone had best start plan-

ning on now, so lets give a quick rundown.

Dec. 18. @ UVSC (UVU for all you snobs)

- Tickets are dirt cheap, and always available! We generally get the \$5 general admission tickets behind one of the baskets, and raise all hell. Plan on their head coach being horribly dressed, having some thing (not sure if it was a man or woman) freaking out at us for being mean to their players, and making UVSC forward Rory Fannon cry during the game (again). If you're lucky, Fannon might call you a "bitch-ass" like he did to Ry Bay once.

Mar. 10-12, WAC Tournament, Las Vegas, Nevada

- No more of this garbage of having the tourney in Reno or Las Cruces... Now the WAC has gone neutral (and in Vegas no less), which means the USU takeover will be even greater than normal. Stay tuned for info on tickets, but make your spring break plans NOW for this.

WAC Standings

Team	W-L	RPI	SOS
Boise State	6-2	217	337
Fresno State	2-5	199	98
Hawaii	5-2	189	285
Idaho	5-3	238	300
Louisiana Tech	7-3	104	185
Nevada	1-7	299	168
New Mexico State	2-6	240	112
San Jose State	5-2	107	231
Utah State	6-2	30	68

Football recruits in the house!!!

It's that time of the year where Gary Andersen entrusts The Spectrum crowd to impress the hell out of visiting football recruits, just like we've done so well the past two years

Tonight there are apparently some BIG TIME recruits, so obviously the crowd needs to be rocking to show them what's up so they come here and make this whole think with beating BYU more of a routine than rarity.

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