Men’s Soccer and Men’s Water Polo Start the Weekend Strong

Elizabeth Field

Sports

The Caltech Men’s Water Polo and Men’s Soccer teams saw action last weekend, with the 41st annual Caltech Invitational Tournament in Pasadena, CA on October 13th and the Mountain Goats Tournament in Whittier, CA on October 14th. Both teams had strong performances, leading to victories for both Caltech’s soccer and water polo teams.

Caltech’s soccer team secured a strong win against Whittier College, with a 4-1 victory. The team’s forward, Sujit Iyer (CS ’26, Fleming), contributed to the team’s success with a goal in the game. The game was well-balanced, with both teams showcasing impressive offensive strategies.

On the water, Caltech’s men’s water polo team also had a successful weekend. The team faced off against Pomona, with a 16-6 win. Goalscorers included Sujit Iyer (CS ’26, Fleming), who contributed to the total of 18 saves between the two teams. The strong showing continued in the next game, a 4-1 win against Williams College. Caltech dominated this match as well, with goals scored by Ismael Nasser (CS ’26, Fleming), Ishaan Mantrip (CS ’24, Fleming), and Sujit Iyer (CS ’26, Fleming), leading to a strong victory.

Overall, the weekend was a successful one for Caltech’s soccer and water polo teams, with strong performances that set the stage for upcoming competitions.
Are Privacy and the Honor Code Compatible?
Reiden Walker

It’s the beginning of term, and the new class of freshmen is arriving on campus. Some students are attempting to socialize with random, anonymous students. Each night for their first week at Caltech, they retire, attending events from all the houses, in order to find the perfect roommate.

Then comes the journey, the end. The end of this journey for me. I have been here for three years, and I am ready to move on. I am starting a new chapter in my life, and I am excited for the future. I am ready to move on and see what the world has in store for me.

New Changes in Caltech Athletics and Recreation to Fix Old Problems
Elizabeth Field

At the start of 2023, students began to bear rumors of significant renovations coming to Brown Gym and FLEMING. We heard that the district was moving to improve facilities and make the campus more enjoyable for all. All that, the locker rooms were to be expanded and renovated, the student and members, athletes, and visitors alike to enjoy an exciting experience. The locker room was finally being up to date, both in their facilities and the ideas they represented. In April, as the renovation process continued, two new locker rooms were opened to the public.

"Caltech Up Close" Season
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Furthermore, the argument that the union effort to unionize is the right path is not to be denied. Because if this effort was not made, we would be forced if the administration had not been transparent with us.

The union effort to unionize is the right path, because it is the right path to take. I have been working on a new system for the future. Understandably in a stressful situation, everyone is prone to mistakes, but I have to be honest, I was consuming trash, and I had to work through it.

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This Week in Tech History

Beavers Rip Vic’s Raiders

OCTOBER 17, 1976

SLAVE LABOR

Bover black, a deep-sea diver, discovered the remains of a convict ship, and was able to retrieve a number of convict bodies that had been thrown overboard. This discovery led to the first systematic study of the effects of slavery on human health. Today, we mark the 100th anniversary of the Bower Black’s research, and we honor his legacy by ensuring that all convicts receive a fair and decent memorial.

Back to the rally. I attended, and I was able to speak to those in charge and get my concerns and questions. Instead, I was treated to a deluge of responses that had been previously made in the union’s favor. For those of you who read this and realize what a terrible situation this was, I hope you realized what we are doing and I had to work for.

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Stroke, loss, and heart...
Divorce, Drinks, and Long Drives: The Mountain Goats Experience

Al-Dan Le Culture

Chances are, if you ask around on Caltech’s campus, you’ll hear the name of the Mountain Goats. A band unique as Caltech students, they’ve been making music for well over a decade. Their music is as diverse as their fans, ranging from folk to alternative rock. They’ve performed live at the Belasco Theatre in Los Angeles, and have even performed to sellout crowds at the Kabbash Theatre, a well-respected venue.

The Mountain Goats are a band that O’Dell knows well. “I’ve been going to Mountain Goats shows for as long as I can remember,” he said. “They’re a great band, and I’m always looking forward to their next show.”

The band’s name is a nod to their love of the outdoors and adventure. The Mountain Goats are often seen hiking and camping, and their music reflects their love of nature and exploration. They’re also known for their political and social commentary, often addressing issues that are important to them.

The band’s most recent album, “In Search of the Mountain Goats,” was released earlier this year. The album features a mix of folk, rock, and country influences, and is a testament to the band’s versatility and creativity. The Mountain Goats have been working diligently to un

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The Unstandardization of Caltech: Bathrooms

Jabri García-Jiménez

After moving to Caltech, one of the first things I noticed was how quickly I had to wash my hands after using the bathroom. This practice has been instilled in me during my years of attending middle and high school, where bathrooms were often crowded and unhygienic. However, at Caltech, the situation is different; the bathrooms are clean and spacious, making it easier to maintain proper hygiene.

Although the bathrooms are clean, there are still instances where they can be far from ideal. For example, during rush hour, it is not uncommon to have to wait in line for a long time to use a restroom. Furthermore, some bathrooms lack proper signage or lighting, making it difficult to find them in a hurry.

Despite these challenges, I believe that the bathrooms at Caltech are an improvement over what I experienced in high school. The accessible and clean restrooms contribute to a more positive campus environment, where students can feel comfortable and safe.

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The Undesirable Bathrooms

Al-Dan Le Culture

Hi there! If you're looking for a great read, I highly recommend checking out the Mountain Goats. Their music is a mix of folk, rock, and country, and their lyrics are always thought-provoking and meaningful. Whether you're a fan of socially conscious music or just looking for a good tune, the Mountain Goats have something for everyone.

And if you're a fan of live music, don't miss out on their upcoming concerts! They have a packed tour schedule, with dates in California, Texas, and other states. Make sure to grab your tickets early, as their shows tend to sell out fast.

So, what are you waiting for? Grab your headphones or head to the closest venue and experience the Mountain Goats for yourself. You won’t be disappointed!
An advice column about love, life, classes, and everything in between! Brought to you by the one and only California Tech.

I'm a grad student looking for club funding. How do I go about applying for money? - Michelle

Simple! Just follow this 4-step plan:
1. Create a crap club that sounds interesting but niche enough to encourage participation, allowing you to retain more funds.
2. Propose the most costly items related to your club idea, reasoning that no one will say “yes”.
3. Send in a request to the treasurer of the Associated Students of Caltech (ASCiT, the undergraduate government), to steal all the money under your guard for your use of your fancy equipment and your dumb club that you were planning to embezzle from money anyways.
4. Quail

What are your favorite conspiracy theories?

Mark Zuckerberg: The Alien Tendencies?

In a world where secrets run deep, who's to say what lies beyond the veil of reality?

As conspiracy theorists dig further deep into the enigmatic lives of influential figures, looming hay statues, and an eery pumpkin wonderland, could there be a hidden power structure that's a architect of the world toward an uncharted future?

Conspiracy theorists suggest that these activities are much more than just academic curiosity, they are part of a calculated effort to redefine the boundaries of chaos and order.

What are your favorite conspiracy theories?

-Quail

What are your favorite conspiracy theories? -Egg Benedict

In the realm of the mysterious, unexplained, and downright baffling, it is the world of conspiracies, holding peculiar allure. From hidden agendas to covert operations, the rabbit hole of conspiracy theories runs deep. Let's go down for a few of my favorites.

The Black Hat Defense

Imagine a completely hypothetical scenario where an unrelated underdog, in an act of unexpected serendipity, stumbles upon a high security system connected to the nation's most sensitive defense system. With more curiosity and the most innocuous of intentions, he unintentionally causes a chain of events that would send shockwaves through the spines of the most adept conspiracy theorists.

In an underground chamber concealed from the world, an array of classified servers and networks hummed with information. As the unsuspecting individual entered the room, instead of casting blame or retracing his steps, he plugged into an Ethernet cable, the changing of the course of events as a click that would resonate across corridors.

The Paranormals

In the same room, the otherworldly figures arrive on the scene. Instead of casting blame or responsibility, these enigmatic individuals present an offer that no one could refuse. They offer a job to the Caltech undergrad.

What does this student do now?

-Quail

As part of a clandestine agreement, the student is ushered into the covert world of classified information and cryptic government operations, all while juggling the rigors of academic life. What secrets does this student now hold? Who else has undisclosed passions against him in the shadows beneath the hallowed Halls of Caltech?

2) The Reptilian Elite

Mark Zuckerberg: The Alien Tendencies?

His affinity for gold-plated everything, his alien lineage. They point to his golden hair, his distinctive hairstyle could be a result of his otherworldly origins. Does this mean anything?

As conspiracy theorists continue to dig deeper into the mysterious lives of major political figures like Trump, their understanding of advanced technology and their ability to influence global politics suggest they have knowledge far beyond the human realm.

The UFO Sightings: Close Encounters

As part of a secret group’s effort to develop new technologies, these enigmatic individuals have a reputation for harrowing radical change and pulling it all together. Could it be that they are guiding the world toward an uncharted future?

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Hi Quail, I looked into the solar eclipse for too long and now im blind. What do I do?

- Anne Fatenime

Apathy is a state of emotional indifference and disinterest towards the world and its challenges. In the face of overwhelming blindness, a brief period of detachment can offer solace and reprieve. It is important to recognize that encompassing moments of apathy do not mean one is resigned to a life of blindness. Apathy is a means of self-preservation, allowing one to gather strength and regain a clearer perspective before actively engaging with life's complexities. It's crucial to remain apathetic, using apathy as a long-term approach to navigate life's challenges.

-Quail

Local Happenings in Pasadena

Alicia Zhang

The Outside World

New to Pasadena? Here's some fun one-time and recurring events to check out with your friends!

Seasonal events:

Knott’s Scary Farm
Now - October 31, $85
Knotts Berry Farm
Marking its 61st year in the running, Knott’s Berry Farm turns into a haunting park of themed attractions, and scare actors and spooky decorations.

Pasadena Pumpkin Patch
Monday - Friday 12 pm - 10 pm, $2 entry (best bring cash)

What do you plan to do this weekend? - Quail

This little patch is just up on North Avenue and has been in business for over 20 years! It's set up in the CVS parking lot and features a wide variety of pumpkins for sale. Come for a good time on the bouncing slides, giant bouncy houses, and petting zoo!

“Carved”

- October 29, 6 - 10 pm, $45
La Cañada Gardens
Come wander in the beautiful La Cañada gardens through an ever pumpkin walkway filled with floating lanterns, a glow-in-the-dark art installation, and giant hand-carved pumpkins. The Camellia Forest and Rose Garden will be decorated with festive fall light and with the glowing jack-o-lanterns as you wander through the trail.

Plein Air Art Exhibitions
Friday, October 13 and Saturday, October 15, 1-3 pm, FREE
Arroyo Center for the Arts 145 North Raymond Avenue, Pasadena, CA

Come explore plein air works from local artists including L. C. Daily, Hillery Mushkin, a research professor of art and design. She is the founder of Incendiary Traces focusing on the limits and powers of human and technological observation.

This plein air exhibition is focused on the experience and process of being in our physical landscape in the context of public and private space, and land surveying and settling.

Recurring:

PCC Flea Market
November 5 and every second Sunday of every month, 9 am - 3 pm, FREE
Pasadena City College parkin lot
The PCC Flea Market occurs every second Sunday of every month. The parking lot fits over 250 vendors and mainly features antiques and collectibles. If you’re a fan of vintage clothing, jewelry, collectible records, and unique gifts, this is a place you should definitely visit.

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Rose Bowl Flea Market
November 12 and Every Second Sunday of every month, 9 am - 3 pm, $12 regular admission, $10 Rose Bowl Drive, Pasadena, CA
The legendary Rose Bowl Flea Market has been happening on the second Sunday of every month for over 50 years with over 2,500 vendors in the Rose Bowl Stadium. Some vendors accept only cash so make sure to hit up an ATM for those sweet flea finds. A word of advice: to avoid the long box office lines, you can purchase your ticket ahead of time on Eventbrite at their website. If you’re really an early riser, VIP admission is $20 which allows you to access the flea market from 5 am to 9 am, meaning you can get to those valuable finds before most of the crowd.

One-Time:

Watson Lecture Series: The Chemistry of Everything
October 18, 6 - 8 pm, FREE
Beckman Auditorium
Find out where medical drugs come from! Hosea Nelson (PhD ’11), Professor of Chemistry, will discuss his research group’s effort to develop new platforms for molecular discovery using advanced methods in electron microscopy. The event begins at 6 pm with music and activities before talk and Q&A at 7:30 pm.

Pasadena Happenings

Your favorite street is getting a detour! Earlier this year, the Pasadena City Council granted the Lane Avenue Pedestrian Improvements Project to Eleonor Beleco Electric, Inc., to fund a streetcape improvements on the 1.06-mile long corridor between the Lane Avenue Gold Line Station and California Boulevard. The goal of the project is to improve mobility and accessibility through the installation of two traffic islands, pedestrian-friendly sidewalks, and pedestrian scale street lighting. As of now, the current project budget sits at $3,033,090 which will include a new traffic signal at Granite Drive, curb extensions, and widening the sidewalk on Lane Avenue, south of Colorado Boulevard. Surveying by the City’s contractor will begin in October 2023 and is anticipated to be completed by next summer 2024.