



BYU COUGARS 2011 MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

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2011 BYU SCHEDULE

JANUARY

7 - Fri.	at Cal Baptist.....	W 3-1
7 - Fri.	Long Beach State.....	W 3-0
8 - Sat.	UC Santa Barbara.....	W 3-1
14 - Fri.	at Stanford.....	7 pm PT
15 - Sat.	at Stanford.....	7 pm PT
21 - Fri.	at Pacific.....	7 pm PT
22 - Sat.	at Pacific.....	7 pm PT
28 - Fri.	UC IRVINE.....	7 pm
29 - Sat.	UC IRVINE.....	7 pm

FEBRUARY

4 - Fri.	UCLA.....	7 pm
5 - Sat.	UCLA.....	7 pm
11 - Fri.	at Loyola.....	7 pm CT
12 - Sat.	at Lewis.....	7 pm CT
17 - Thu.	at UC Santa Barbara.....	7 pm PT
18 - Fri.	at UC Santa Barbara.....	7 pm PT
24 - Thu.	UC SAN DIEGO.....	7 pm
25 - Fri.	UC SAN DIEGO.....	7 pm

MARCH

4 - Fri.	at USC.....	7 pm PT
5 - Sat.	at USC.....	7 pm PT
18 - Fri.	at CS Northridge.....	7 pm PT
19 - Sat.	at CS Northridge.....	7 pm PT
24 - Thu.	HAWAII.....	7 pm
25 - Fri.	HAWAII.....	7 pm
31 - Thu.	LONG BEACH STATE.....	7 pm

APRIL

1 - Fri.	LONG BEACH STATE.....	7 pm
8 - Fri.	at Pepperdine.....	7 pm PT
9 - Sat.	at Pepperdine.....	7 pm PT
23 - Sat.	MPSF Quarterfinals.....	TBA
28 - Thu.	MPSF Semis.....	TBA
30 - Sat.	MPSF Championship.....	TBA

MAY

5-7	NCAA Championships.....	TBA
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Home games are indicated by capital lettering

2010 BYU QUICK FACTS

Location:	Provo, Utah 84602
Elevation:	4,553 feet
Enrollment:	33,278 (Daytime)
Colors:	Blue and White
Nickname:	Cougars
Mascot:	Cosmo
Head Coach:	Rob Neilson (BYU, 2006)
BYU Record:	First Year
2010 Overall Record:	22-9
2010 Conference Record/Finish:	15-7/2nd
2010 Final National Ranking:	2
Overall Program All-time Record:	382-194
Winning Seasons:	17
MPSF Championships:	3



No. 2 BYU vs. No. 4 STANFORD



PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA
JAN. 14 & 15, 2011
7:30 P.M. (PT)

MATCH INFORMATION

START TIME	Friday & Saturday, 7:30 p.m. MT
SITE:	Palo Alto, California
TELEVISION:	
LIVE STATS:	http://www.byucougars.com
THE SERIES:	24-13
IN PROVO:	
LAST MEETING:	Jan. 23, 2010 - Stanford 3-1

MATCH OUTLOOK

The No. 2 men's volleyball team continues its 7-game away series with two games in Palo Alto, Calif., against the No. 4 Stanford Cardinal. BYU leads the overall series 24-13 after splitting two games against Stanford last year in the regular season.

As the 2010 defending national champions, the Cardinal kept its spotless record by starting this season with a win over the Division III UC Santa Cruz Banana Slugs in a sweep.

SERIES INFO

BYU leads the overall series 24-13 after splitting two games against Stanford last year in the regular season.

MATCH COVERAGE

Live stats are available through the Stanford athletics men's volleyball schedule page. A link can be found on the BYU men's volleyball schedule page. Gametracker is launched by clicking on the "Live Stats" link for the appropriate game on the schedule.

COMING OFF...

The Cougars are coming off a 3-0 showing at the 2011 Gaucho Invitational last weekend, winning the championship game over host UCSB. Freshman Taylor Sander was named tournament MVP after recording double-digit kills in two of the three games, both of which were player-highs, with teammates Futi Tavana and Joe Kauliakamoa joining him on the All-Tournament Team. The Cougars beat Cal Baptist 3-1 (16-25, 25-17, 25-21, 25-22), Long Beach State 3-0 (25-17, 25-18, 25-22) and UCSB 3-1 (15-25, 25-18, 25-18, 25-19).



BYU COUGAR VOLLEYBALL

ROSTER BREAKDOWN/STANDINGS

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

RETURNING STARTERS (9):

Russell Lavaja	MB	Jr.	216 kills, 165 blocks
Kevin Sagers	OH	Sr.	256 kills, 108 digs
Futi Tavana	MB	Jr.	200 kills, 151 blocks
Jeff Robinson	OH	Sr.	42 kills, 34 digs, 24 blocks
Robb Stowell	OP	Jr.	414 kills, 159 digs, 84 blocks
Otavio Souza	MB	Sr.	68 kills, 44 blocks
BJ Hiapo	LIB	Sr.	40 digs, 2 assists

LETTERWINNERS RETURNING (15):

Alex Da Pron	OH	Jr.	152 kills, 83 digs, 58 blocks
BJ Hiapo	LIB	Jr.	17 sp, 5 digs
Russell Lavaja	MB	Jr.	216 kills, 165 blocks
Joe Kauliakamoa	OH	So.	6 kills, 16 assists
Jeff Robinson	OH	Sr.	42 kills, 34 digs, 24 blocks
Kevin Sagers	OH	Sr.	256 kills, 108 digs
Otavio Souza	MB	Jr.	35 kills, 28 blocks
Andrew Stewart	OH	Sr.	408 kills, 160 digs, 100 blocks
Robb Stowell	OPP	So.	414 kills, 159 digs, 84 blocks
Futi Tavana	MB	Jr.	200 kills, 151 blocks

LETTERWINNERS LOST (2):

Yamil Perez	S	Sr.	1223 assists, 19 aces, 57 blks
Joel Silva	LIB	Sr.	249 digs, 29 assists
Mat Taylor	OPP	Sr.	267 kills, 94 digs, 64 blks
Kent Tuttle	OPP	Sr.	217 kills, 81 digs, 55 blks
Reed Chilton	S	Sr.	229 assists, 11 aces, 42 digs
Andrew Stewart	OH	Sr.	563 kills, 223 digs, 124 blocks
Yamil Perez	S	Sr.	430 assists, 66 digs

OTHER RETURNING PLAYERS (3):

*Alex DaPron	OH	6-5	Sr.
Ryan Boyce	S	6-1	So.
Quentin Smith	MB	6-6	Jr.
Erik Mayer	MB	6-6	So.
Tyler Heaps	S	6-6	Fr.
Cory Jones	LIB	6-0	So.
Trevor Neff	S	6-2	So.
Steve Rindfleisch	OP	6-9	So.
Shane Tye	OP	6-5	So.

*Returning from redshirt last season

NEWCOMERS (4):

Taylor Sander	OH	6-4	Fr.
Josue Rivera	OH	6-3	Fr.
Shane Tye	OP	6-6	So.
Devin Young	MB	6-9	Fr.

AVCA DIVISION I-II COACHES POLL (AS OF JAN. 10, 2011)

RANK	TEAM (FIRST-PLACE VOTES)	TOTAL POINTS	RECORD	LAST WEEK
1	USC	236	0-0	1
2	BYU	217	3-0	5
3	PEPPERDINE	203	1-0	3
4	STANFORD	186	1-0	4
T-5	HAWAII	168	0-0	6
T-5	UC SANTA BARBARA	168	2-1	10
7	UC IRVINE (1)	142	2-2	2
T-8	OHIO STATE	126	0-1	7
T-8	UCLA	126	2-1	9
10	PENN STATE	106	0-0	8
11	LONG BEACH STATE	95	1-2	11
12	CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE	60	1-2	12
13	LOYOLA-CHICAGO	43	0-0	13
14	BALL STATE	31	1-0	15
15	LEWIS	29	0-0	14

CURRENT MPSF STANDINGS (AS OF JAN. 11, 2011)

TEAM	OVERALL	PCT.	MPSF	PCT.
UCSB	2-0		0-0	
BYU	3-0		0-0	
Pacific	2-0		0-0	
Stanford	1-0		0-0	
UCLA	2-1		0-0	
UC Irvine	2-2		0-0	
Long Beach State	1-2		0-0	
CS Northridge	1-2		0-0	
UC San Diego	1-2		0-0	
Hawaii	0-0		0-0	
USC	0-0		0-0	
Pepperdine	0-0		0-0	

*MPSF PRESEASON POLL

PLACE	TEAM	POINTS	2010 RECORD
1	USC	232	16-11;7th
2	UC Irvine	225	15-15;8th
3	Pepperdine	200	16-10;T-5th
4	Stanford	194	24-6;1st
5	BYU	177	22-9;2nd
6	Hawaii	162	19-10;4th
7	Ohio State	136	22-8;10th
8	Penn State	128	24-8;T-5th
9	UCLA	118	16-13;9th
10	UC Santa Barbara	102	13-16;11th
11	Long Beach State	78	12-17;12th
12	CS Northridge	62	23-10;3rd
13	Loyola-Chicago	45	20-6;13th
14	Lewis	30	19-10;NR
15	Ball State	23	19-11;14

ASICS/VBM MEN'S DIVISION I-II TOP 10 POLL

1	USC	8	Hawaii
2	UC Irvine	9	UCLA
3	Pepperdine	10	Penn State
4	Stanford		
5	BYU		
6	Hawaii		
7	Ohio State		



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ROSTER

2011 BYU NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	HT.	POS.	YR.	HOMETOWN / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
1	Erik Mayer	6-6	MB	So.	Mission Viego, CA / Scotts Valley HS
2	Quentin Smith	6-6	MB	Jr.	Sandy, UT / Skyline HS
3	Ryan Boyce	6-1	S	So.	Huntington Beach, CA / Huntington Beach HS
4	Cameron Clifford	6-6	MB	So.	Mesa, AZ
5	Russell Lavaja	6-7	MB	Jr.	St. Charles, IL / St. Charles North HS
6	Josue Rivera	6-3	OH	Fr.	San Juan, Puerto Rico
7	Jeff Robinson	6-4	OH	Sr.	Las Vegas, NV / Centennial HS
8	Joe Kauliakamoa	6-4	S	Jr.	Las Vegas, NV / Palo Verde HS
9	Otavio Souza	6-7	MB	Sr.	Florianopolis, Brazil / Caxias do Sul
10	Cory Jones	6-0	LIB	So.	Walnut Creek CA / Northgate HS
11	Kevin Sagers	6-3	OH	Sr.	Las Vegas, NV / Centennial HS
13	Robb Stowell	6-7	OP	Jr.	San Juan Capistrano, CA / CVHS
15	Taylor Sander	6-4	OH	Fr.	Norco, CA / Norco HS
16	Trevor Neff	6-2	S	So.	Woodland Hills, CA / Thousand Oaks HS
17	Futi Tavana	6-8	MB	Jr.	Kalaheo, HI / Kauai HS
18	BJ Hiapo	6-0	LIB	Sr.	Gilbert, AZ / Long Beach City College
19	Devin Young	6-9	MB	Fr.	McMurray, PA / Peters Township HS
20	Shane Tye	6-5	OP	So.	Taylorsville, UT / Salt Lake Community College
23	Alex Dapron	6-5	OH	Jr.	Valley Center, CA / UC Irvine
24	Steve Rindfleisch	6-9	OP	So.	San Diego, CA / San Diego City College

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

BJ Hiapo
hee-AH-poh
Joe Kauliakamoa
KOW-lee-ah-kah-mow-ah
Russell Lavaja
lah-VAI-ah
Kevin Sagers
SAY-gers
Otavio Souza
oh-TAH-vee-oh SOO-sah
Futi Tavana
FOO-tee TAH-vah-nah
Josue Rivera
hoe-say Ree-vera
Steve Rindfleisch
Rine-flesch

2011 BYU ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	HT.	POS.	YR.	HOMETOWN / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
3	Ryan Boyce	6-1	S	So.	Hunting Beach, CA / Huntington Beach HS
4	Cameron Clifford	6-6	MB	So.	Mesa, AZ
23	Alex DaPron	6-5	OH	Jr.	Valley Center, CA / UC Irvine
18	BJ Hiapo	6-0	LIB	Sr.	Gilbert, AZ / Long Beach City College
10	Cory Jones	6-0	LIB	So.	Walnut Creek, CA / Northgate HS
8	Joe Kauliakamoa	6-4	S	Jr.	Las Vegas, NV / Palo Verde HS
5	Russell Lavaja	6-7	MB	Jr.	St. Charles, IL / St. Charles North HS
1	Erik Mayer	6-6	MB	So.	Mission Viego, CA / Scotts Valley HS
16	Trevor Neff	6-2	S	So.	Woodland Hills, CA / Thousand Oaks HS
24	Steve Rindfleisch	6-9	OP	So.	San Diego, CA / San Diego City College
6	Josue Rivera	6-3	OH	Fr.	San Juan, Puerto Rico
7	Jeff Robinson	6-4	OH	Sr.	Las Vegas, NV / Centennial HS
11	Kevin Sagers	6-3	OH	Sr.	Las Vegas, NV / Centennial HS
15	Taylor Sander	6-4	OH	Fr.	Norco, CA / Noco HS
2	Quentin Smith	6-6	MB	Jr.	Sandy, UT / Skyline HS
9	Otavio Souza	6-7	MB	Sr.	Florianopolis, Brazil / Caxias do Sul
13	Robb Stowell	6-7	OP	Jr.	San Juan Capistrano, CA / CVHS
17	Futi Tavana	6-8	MB	Jr.	Kalaheo, HI / Kauai HS
20	Shane Tye	6-5	OP	So.	Taylorsville, UT / Salt Lake Community College
19	Devin Young	6-9	MB	Fr.	McMurray, PA / Peters Township HS

Rob Neilson

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COACHES

Head Coach: Rob Neilson, 1st year (BYU, 2006)

Assistant Coach: Mike Daniel

Volunteer Assistant: Chris McGown, Giuseppe Vinci

BREAKDOWN BY CLASS

FRESHMAN

Taylor Sander	6-4	OH
Josue Rivera	6-3	OH

SOPHOMORE

Ryan Boyce	6-1	S
Cory Jones	6-0	LIB
Erik Mayer	6-6	MB
Trevor Neff	6-2	S
Steve Rindfleisch	6-0	OP
Shane Tye	6-5	OP

JUNIOR

Alex Da Pron	6-5	OH
Joe Kauliakamoa	6-4	OH
Russell Lavaja	6-7	MB
Quentin Smith	6-6	MB
Robb Stowell	6-7	OP
Futi Tavana	6-8	MB

SENIOR

BJ Hiapo	6-0	LIB
Jeff Robinson	6-4	OH
Kevin Sagers	6-3	OH
Otavio Souza	6-7	MB

BREAKDOWN BY POSITION

OUTSIDE HITTER

Alex Da Pron	6-5	Jr.
Jeff Robinson	6-4	Sr.
Kevin Sagers	6-3	Sr.
Josue Rivera	6-3	Fr.
Taylor Sander	6-4	Fr.

OPPOSITE

Robb Stowell	6-7	Jr.
Steve Rindfleisch	6-9	So.
Shane Tye	6-5	So.

MIDDLE BLOCKER

Russell Lavaja	6-7	Jr.
Erik Mayer	6-6	So.
Quentin Smith	6-6	Jr.
Otavio Souza	6-7	Sr.
Futi Tavana	6-8	Jr.

SETTER

Ryan Boyce	6-1	Fr.
Tyler Heap	6-6	Fr.
Joe Kauliakamoa	6-4	Jr.
Trevor Neff	6-2	So.

LIBERO

BJ Hiapo	6-0	Jr.
Cory Jones	6-0	So.



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TEAM NOTES

BYU SERIES RECORD VS. 2011 OPPONENTS

Stanford	BYU leads 25-12 Last season: 1-1 1/122 W 3-1 1/23 L 1-3
Pacific	BYU leads 25-5 Last season: 2-0 1/15 W 3-0 1/16 W 3-0
UC Irvine	BYU leads 34-12 Last season: 1-1 2/4 W 3-2 2/5 L 0-3
UCLA	UCLA leads 28-18 Last season: 1-1 1/29 L 0-3 1/30 W 3-2
Loyola	BYU leads: 18-2
Lewis	BYU leads 10-1
UC Santa Barbara	BYU leads 25-18 Last season: 2-0 3/26 W 3-1 3/27 W 3-1
UC San Diego	BYU leads 28-0 Last season: 2-0 2/19 W 3-1 2/20 W 3-0
USC	BYU leads 26-9 Last season: 2-0 3/19 W 3-1 3/20 W 3-0
Cal State Northridge	BYU leads 26-21 Last season: 1-3 1/8 L 1-3 4/16 W 3-0 4/17 L 2-3 4/29 L 2-3
Hawaii	BYU leads 27-16 Last season: 0-2 2/26 L 2-3 3/1 L 0-3
Long Beach State	BYU leads 19-18 Last season: 2-0 4/1 W 3-1 4/2 W 3-1
Pepperdine	Pepperdine leads 27-18 Last season: 1-1 3/5 W 3-1 3/6 L 0-3

BYU IN THE MPSF TOURNAMENT

Since 1993, BYU has qualified for the MPSF postseason tournament in 14 of 15 seasons, including 13 consecutive trips. The Cougars' all-time record in the MPSF tournament is 19-13. BYU has won the MPSF tournament three times and holds an 11-6 record in the first round, 5-5 record in the semifinals and 3-2 record in tournament finals. The Cougars won consecutive MPSF tournament championships in 2003 and 2004.

BYU IN THE NCAA TOURNAMENT

The Cougars have made four NCAA tournament appearances in the program's history. Impressively, BYU has brought home the hardware in three of its four NCAA tournament appearances. The Cougars boast a 7-1 overall record in NCAA tournament play and a perfect 4-0 record in national semifinal matches. The Cougars only loss in the NCAA tournament was in 2003 when they lost to Lewis in a five-game thriller. BYU has earned automatic bids to the Final Four by winning the MPSF tournament three times: 1999, 2003 and 2004.

ALL-AMERICANS

Since 1993, 22 different players have earned All-America 40 citations, 15 of which are first-team honors and 14 of which are second-team honors. Most recently, Andrew Stewart (First Team) and Futi Tavana (Second Team) received honors in 2010.

HOME COURT ADVANTAGE

BYU finished its 2009 season with a 12-3 record at the Smith Fieldhouse, facing teams like No. 1 Pepperdine, No. 3 Stanford, No. 7 USC and No. 3 CS Northridge. The Cougars have only lost nine home matches dating back to the 2006 season.

PRESEASON EXHIBITION

BYU finished its exhibition schedule having won all five of its games in the preseason Las Vegas tournament. The preseason opened with the annual Alumni Match. The team of current Cougars pulled out a 3-1 win over the former team. BYU then went undefeated against Lewis, UC San Diego, Cal Baptist, Grand Canyon University and Long Beach State. UC San Diego, Cal Baptist and Lewis are also 2011 opponents for the Cougar squad.

WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

Players come from all over the world to play with BYU's volleyball team. The Cougars have players from Brazil and Puerto Rico on their roster. Seven states are also represented on this year's team: Arizona, California, Pennsylvania, Hawaii, Illinois, Nevada and Utah. California leads the way with six players hailing from the Golden State.

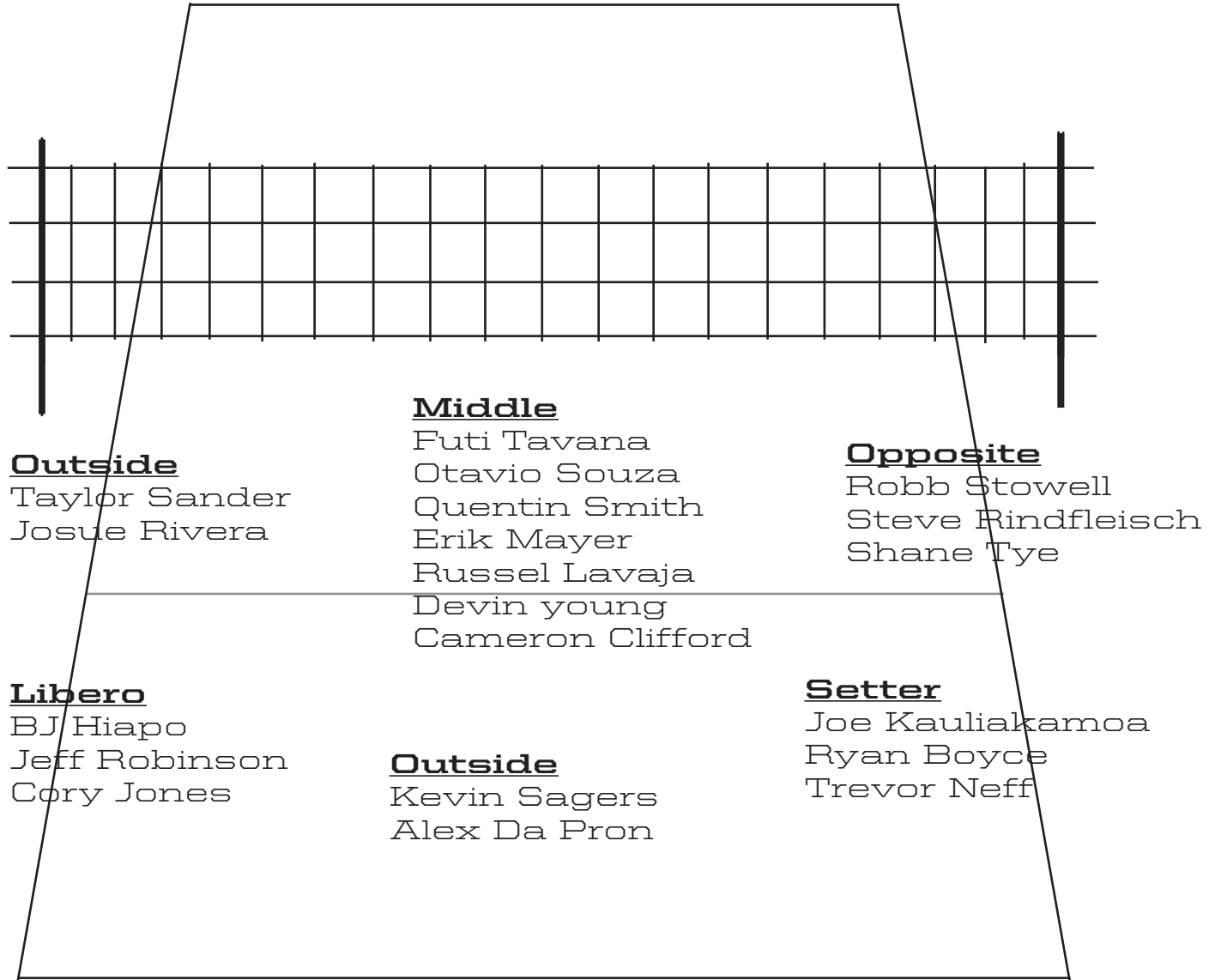
BREAKDOWN BY STATE/COUNTRY:

Arizona (2) BJ Hiapo Cameron Clifford	Nevada (3) Jeff Robinson Kevin Sagers Joe Kauliamakoa
California (9) Ryan Boyce Alex Da Pron Tyler Heap Cory Jones Trevor Neff Erik Mayer Steve Rindfleisch Taylor Sander Robb Stowell	Puerto Rico (1) Josue Rivera
Hawaii (1) Futi Tavana	Pennsylvania (1) Devin Young
Brazil (1) Otavio Souza	Utah (2) Quentin Smith Shane Tye
	Illinois (1) Russel Lavaja



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DEPTH CHART





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COUGAR COACHING STAFF



INTERIM HEAD COACH ROB NEILSON

Neilson enters his third season as a coach for BYU volleyball and first season as head coach.

He took over for previous head coach Shawn Patchell mid-season last year.

Neilson has been coaching volleyball at summer camps since 2000. He played for and coached under former BYU coaches Carl McGown and Tom Peterson.

Neilson is no stranger to BYU volleyball. He was the starting setter for two years with the Cougars in 2005 and

2006. As a junior in 2005, Neilson earned All-Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Honorable Mention status while also being named Academic All-MPSF. He started every match in his junior and senior year. Neilson was named the USA Today/AVCA National Player of the Week in his junior season from his play against Hawaii.

As a senior, Neilson earned All-MPSF Honorable Mention and Academic All-MPSF honors for his second consecutive season. All totaled, Neilson played in 314 career games for BYU which is seventh in BYU history. He was a member of BYU's 2004 National Championship team.

Neilson, who was raised in Pacific Palisades, Calif., served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Croatia. He earned a BS degree in neuroscience from BYU in 2006. Neilson married Sarah Wheatly in September 2006.



ASSISTANT COACH MIKE DANIEL

Mike has coached professionally with the Utah Predators and also at the secondary level with Pleasant Grove High School where he won two state championships and six top-10 finishes.

Daniel also was on the staff for the 2000 women's national team. He teaches high school camps through the summer and has won IVA Inter-mountain Regionals coaching 12's, 13's, 15's and the 18's age groups.



ASSISTANT GIUSEPPE VINCI

Vinci began working with the sport of volleyball in a small club called Pallavolo Casteggio as manager and then assistant coach as a 13-year-old. In this club he worked with various teams, one of which won a championship and advanced into the regional category. He has worked with both the mens and womens Division II Italian Professional teams and went to the 2008 Olympic Games with the Mens Italian Senior National Team.

Here in the United States, Vinci has worked with the BYU mens and womens volleyball teams, as well as

USA Volleyball. He was an assistant coach with the Mens Junior National Team at the 2009 FIBA World Championships in India.



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2010 SEASON REVIEW

FINAL NATIONAL RANKINGS

The Cougars finished the 2010 season with a top-10 national ranking for the 14th consecutive season, dating back to 1997 when BYU finished fourth. The Cougars have finished in the top-10 in 17 of their 19 seasons since joining the NCAA.

AVCA DIVISION I-II COACHES POLL (FINAL)

RANK	SCHOOL
1	Stanford
2	BYU
3	Cal State Northridge
4	Hawaii
5	Pepperdine
6	Penn State
7	USC
8	UC Irvine
9	UCLA
10	Ohio State
11	UCSB
12	Long Beach State
13	Loyola-Chicago
14	Ball State
15	Lewis
16	San Francisco

VOLLEYBALL FACTS

2010 Overall Record: 22-9
 Conference Record/Finish: 15-7/T-2nd MPSF
 Final National Ranking: 2nd
 Record vs. Top-25 Teams: 17-9
 All-Time Record in NCAA Tournament: N/A
 All-Time Record in MPSF Tournament Play: 1-1
 Record in 3-set Matches: 7-4
 Record in 4-set Matches: 12-2
 Record in 5-set Matches: 3-3

2010 ALL-MPSF PERFORMERS

Andrew Stewart (First)
 Futi Tavana (Second)
 Robb Stowell (Third)
 Reed Chilton, Russell Lavaja (Honorable Mention)

2010 MPSF FINAL STANDINGS

TEAM	MPSF			OVERALL		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Stanford	16	6	.727	19	6	.760
BYU	15	7	.682	21	8	.724
CS Northridge	15	7	.682	21	8	.724
Hawaii	14	8	.636	18	9	.667
Pepperdine	14	8	.636	16	9	.640
USC	13	9	.591	16	10	.615
UCLA	11	11	.500	16	13	.552
UC Irvine	10	12	.455	15	14	.517
UC Santa Barbara	9	13	.409	13	16	.448
Long Beach State	8	14	.364	12	17	.414
UC San Diego	6	16	.273	11	19	.367
Pacific	1	21	.045	9	21	.300

A LOOK BACK AT 2010

Relying on its depth and experience, the 2010 BYU men's volleyball team (22-9, 15-7 MPSF) finished the season at No. 2 in the final national rankings with a record of 17-9 against ranked teams. After going 9-6 in the first half, the Cougars finished 13-3 the last 16 matches, posting the longest winning streak in the nation with 11 from March 12-April 16 and earning its 14th-consecutive trip to the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation playoffs.

Leading the Cougars were All-American selections Andrew Stewart (first team) and Futi Tavana (second team). Stewart was also named first team All-MPSF and Tavana to the All-MPSF Second Team.

As a co-team captain, Stewart started at outside hitter in all but one match for the Cougars. As a senior he led the team with 463 kills on the season, averaging 3.92 per set. Stewart recorded double-digit kills 29 times throughout the year, leading the team in kills in 13 matches, one match leading him to an AVCA/Sports Imports National Player of the Week on March 15. His 976 kill attempts in 2010 sits second on BYU's rally scoring record list.

Sophomore middle blocker Tavana started 25-of-30 matches following his stellar season as a redshirt freshman last year. He broke the BYU all-time record for total blocks with 15 (1-14) achieved against then-No. 10 UC Santa Barbara on March 27. His 15 blocks helped BYU achieve a new all-time record for team blocks with 24.5 in the same match. His average of 1.62 blocks per set led the MPSF and ranked second nationally. A native of Kalaheo, Hawaii, he ranked second for the Cougars with 151 blocks.

Stewart and Tavana weren't the only Cougars to rewrite the record books in 2010. Supporting his Cougars with excellent ball placement was senior setter and co-captain Reed Chilton who finished the season with 1,203 assists to rank him seventh on BYU's all-time single season assist list. Chilton earned honorable mention All-MPSF honors and was the only Cougar to be named to the MPSF All-Tournament team.

After returning from an LDS mission to the Philippines, sophomore Robb Stowell tallied the second-most kills for the Cougars with 414. He was named to the All-MPSF Third Team, while also achieving AVCA/Sports Imports National Player of the Week and MPSF Player of the Week April 5th after his performance against then-No. 8 Long Beach State. He recorded double-doubles both nights, one block away from a triple-double the first night. Stowell averaged 3.80 kills per set, hitting at a .321 clip on the season.

Sophomore middle blocker Russell Lavaja led the team on the block with 165 total blocks, placing him fourth on the rally scoring record list. Lavaja earned honorable mention All-MPSF honors and helped the team earn the most blocks as a team in BYU history. Senior libero Joel Silva and Stewart led BYU with 223 digs each on the season.

As a team, the Cougars set a new team single-season record for total blocks with 423, 19.5 more than the previous record set in 2009. With Chilton leading the way, the team also tallied the second-most team single-season assists with 1,782. The Cougars were ranked No. 1 in the NCAA and the MPSF in blocks per set with 3.55, while kills per game ranked them No. 4 in the Nation with 15.80.

BYU's winning tradition at the Smith Fieldhouse continued with the Cougars earning a 12-3 home record. BYU has lost only eight home matches in the past four years.

To start off the winning ways, the Cougars traveled to Santa Barbara, Calif. for the UCSB Elephant Bar Tournament to take on No. 2 UC Irvine, No. 8 UCLA and No. 9 Cal State Northridge. BYU defeated the first two teams on Thursday 3-1, 3-2 and then fell to CSUN on Friday 1-3.

The Cougars' next three-straight wins came from Pacific with two 3-0 sweeps and a split with No. 3 and eventual National Champion Stanford. The Cougars defeated the Cardinal on the first night 3-1, and then fell at home 1-3.

Next traveling to Los Angeles, the Cougars split with No. 6 UCLA, losing the first night 0-3 and coming back to defeat the Bruins in five. Continuing their longest road schedule of the season from Jan. 29-March 1, the Cougars next took on defending national champion UC Irvine. BYU was unable to establish a weekend sweep on the road, defeating UCI 3-2 on Thursday and falling on the second night to the Anteaters 0-3.

BYU earned its first road sweep against No. 14 UC San Diego on Feb. 19-20, the Cougars coming out on top 3-1, 3-0.

Despite a tsunami warning in Honolulu, Hawaii, the Cougars played at unexpected times against No. 8 Hawaii, the Warriors sweeping the Cougars 2-3 and 0-3.

Two non-conference matches were up next, No. 9 Penn State and St. Francis (Pa.) as part of the Long Beach State Active Ankle Classic. The Cougars won both of their matches in the tournament 3-1 to spark the 11-match win streak.

The last 8-of-10 regular-season matches were at home in the Smith Fieldhouse, as BYU went 9-1 to end the regular season. No. 7 Southern California was the first to come to the Fieldhouse and the Cougars won 3-1, 3-0, bringing their record to .500 (14-7).



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TRENDS/MATCH HIGHS

BYU'S RECORD WHEN...

Facing ranked opponents	0-0
Facing unranked opponents	3-0
In three games	1-0
In four games	2-0
In five games	
In first game of the match	0-0
In second game of the match	0-0
In third game of the match	0-0
In fourth game of the match	0-0
In fifth game of the match	0-0
Winning first game	1-0
Opponent wins first game	2-0
Recording more kills	3-0
Opponent records more kills	0-0
Opponent and BYU record equal number of kills	0-0
Recording higher hitting percentage	2-0
Opponent records higher hitting percentage	1-0
Opponent and BYU record equal hitting percentage	0-0
Hitting .300+	1-0
Opponent hits .300+	1-0
Three or more Cougars records 10+ kills	0-0
Three or more opponents record 10+ kills	0-0
Out-blocking opponent	3-0
Opponent out-blocks BYU	0-0
Opponent and BYU record equal number of blocks	0-0
Recording 12.0+ blocks	3-0
Opponent records 12.0+ blocks	1-0
Recording more digs	2-0
Opponent records more digs	0-0
Opponent and BYU record equal number of digs	1-0
In January	3-0
In February	0-0
In March	0-0
In April	0-0
In May	0-0
Last 10 matches/Current Streak	3-0/W3
Longest win streak in 2011	3 (current)
Playing on Thursday	0-0
Playing on Friday	2-0
Playing on Saturday	1-0

2011 BYU INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

KILLS	
(3 games)	18, Robb Stowell vs. LBS (1/7)
(4 games)	18, Taylor Sander vs. Cal Baptist (1/7)
(5 games)	
ATTEMPTS	
(3 games)	30, Robb Stowell vs. LBS (1/7)
(4 games)	33, Taylor Sander vs. Cal Baptist (1/7)
(5 games)	
ASSISTS	
(3 games)	6, Kevin Sagers vs. LBS (1/7)
(4 games)	40, Trevor Neff vs. Cal Baptist (1/7)
(5 games)	
DIGS	
(3 games)	9, Joe Kauliakamoa vs. LBS (1/7)
(4 games)	12, Robb Stowell vs. Cal Baptist (1/7)
(5 games)	
BLOCKS	
(3 games)	13, Otavio Souza vs. LBS (1/7)
(4 games)	12, Otavio Souza vs. Cal Baptist (1/7)
(5 games)	

2011 BYU TEAM HIGHS

KILLS	
(3 games)	37 vs. Long Beach State
(4 games)	46 vs. UC Santa Barbara
(5 games)	
ATTEMPTS	
(3 games)	75 vs. Long Beach State
(4 games)	107 vs. Cal Baptist
(5 games)	
ASSISTS	
(3 games)	18 vs. Long Beach State
(4 games)	44 vs. UC Santa Barbara
(5 games)	
DIGS	
(3 games)	24 vs. Long Beach State
(4 games)	43 vs. Cal Baptist
(5 games)	
BLOCKS	
(3 games)	17.5 vs. Long Beach State
(4 games)	17 vs. UC Santa Barbara
(5 games)	



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SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

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NO.	NAME	KILLS	ATTEMPTS	HIT % (MIN. 8 ATT.)	DIGS	BLOCK ASSISTS	BLOCK SOLOS	TOTAL BLOCKS	SERVICE ACES	ASSISTS
1	Taylor Sander Career:	18 (CB, 1/7/11) 18 (CB, 1/7/11)			7 (CB, 1/7/11) same	6 (UCSB, 1/8/11)				2 (LBS, 1/7/11)
2	Cory Jones Career:									
3	Erik Mayer Career:									
4	Quentin Smith Career:	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --
5	Russell Lavaja Career:	-- 13 (three times)	-- 22 (USC, 2/7/09)	-- .688 (CSUN, 3/25/09)	-- 6 (UCLA, 1/8/10)	-- 10 (Stan, 4/10/09)	-- 4 (Stan, 1/9/09)	-- 10 (Stan, 4/10/09)	-- 3 (Pepp, 4/16/09)	-- 2 (three times)
6	Trevor Neff Career:				7 (CB, 1/7/11) same				3 (CB, 1/7/10) same	40 (CB, 1/7/11) same
7	Jeff Robinson Career:	-- 18 (UCSB, 3/29/08)	-- 29 (UCSB, 3/29/08)	-- .517 (UCSB, 3/29/08)	9 (CB, 1/7/11) 14 (UCLA, 1/7/10)	-- 2 (three times)	-- 1 (UCSB, 1/30/09)	-- 3 (UCSB, 1/30/09)	-- 1 (two times)	3 (LBS 1/7/11) same
8	Joe Kauliakamoa Career:	3 (LBS, 1/7/11) 1 (UCI, 4/2/09)	-- 1 (two times)	-- --	-- 2 (three times)	5 (LBS, 1/7/11) 1 (IPFW, 3/14/09)	-- --	-- 1 (IPFW, 3/14/09)	-- 2 (LBSU, 3/21/09)	37 (UCSB 1/8//11) same
9	Otavio Souza Career:	5 (CB, 1/7/11) 8 (UCLA, 1/7/10)	-- 16 (UCLA, 1/7/10)	-- .438 (UCLA, 1/7/10)	-- 2 (two times)	13 (LBS, 1/7/11) 7 (CBU, 1/15/09)	2 (UCSB 1/8/11) 1 (four times)	12 (UCSB, 1/8/11) 7 (CBU, 1/15/09)	--	5 (two times)
10	Mat Taylor Career:	-- 26 (UCSB, 1/31/09)	-- 42 (UCSB, 1/31/09)	-- .833 (Pacific, 1/10/09)	-- 9 (Stan, 2/22/08)	-- 6 (two times)	-- 1 (three times)	-- 6 (four times)	-- 2 (three times)	-- 1 (five times)
11	Kevin Sagers Career:	3 (LBS 1/7/11) 21 (Haw, 1/22/09)	-- 32 (two times)	-- .625 (Haw, 1/22/09)	-- 15 (UCI, 1/7/10)	-- 4 (two times)	--	-- 3 (three times)	-- 3 (Penn St, 3/13/09)	6 (LBS, 1/7/11) same
12	Steve Rindfleisch Career:									
13	Robb Stowell Career:	18 (LBS, 1/7/11) 22 (UCI, 2/3/07)	-- 44 (UCI, 2/3/07)	-- .727 (USC, 3/3/07)	12 (CB, 1/7/11) same	6 (LBS 1/7/11) 6 (UCI, 1/7/10)	-- 2 (UCI, 1/7/10)	-- 8 (UCI, 1/7/10)	-- 2 (UCI, 1/7/10)	-- 1 (four times)
14	Josue Rivera Career:									
15	Shane Tye Career:									
16	Ryan Boyce Career:	-- 1 (CSUN, 1/8/10)	-- 1 (CSUN, 1/8/10)	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- 4 (CSUN, 1/8/10)	-- --
17	Futi Tavana Career:	6 (CB, 1/7/11) 15 (two times)	-- 29 (Stan, 4/11/09)	-- .647 (Pepp, 4/17/09)	-- 4 (UCI, 4/3/09)	9 (UCSB, 1/8/11) 13 (LBSU, 3/21/09)	2 (CB 1/7/11) 3 (Stan, 4/10/09)	7 (CB, 1/7/11) 13 (LBSU, 3/21/09)	-- 1 (nine times)	3 (UCSB, 1/8/11) 3 (Stan, 4/10/09)
18	BJ Hiapo Career:	-- --	-- --	-- --	10 (UCI, 1/7/10)	--	--	--	--	-- 19 (IPFW, 3/14/09)
19	Alex Da Pron Career:	4 (CB, 1/7/11) 17 (LBSU, 3/21/09)	-- 43 (UCI, 4/3/09)	-- .556 (IPFW, 3/14/09)	-- 11 (Pacific, 2/27/09)	6 (UCSB 1/8/11) 7 (two times)	-- 2 (Pepp, 4/16/09)	-- 7 (two times)	-- 1 (three times)	-- 2 (two times)



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MATCH-BY-MATCH

MATCH-BY-MATCH STARTERS

MATCH	SETTER	LIBERO	OPPOSITE	OUT. HITTER	OUT. HITTER	MID. BLOCKER	MID. BLOCKER
Cal Baptist (1/7)	Neff	Robinson	Stowell	Sagers	Sander	Souza	Tavana
LBSU (1/7)	Kauliakamoa	Robinson	Stowell	Sagers	Sander	Souza	Tavana
UCSB (1/8)	Kauliakamoa	Robinson	Rindfleisch	Sagers	Sander	Souza	Tavana

MATCH-BY-MATCH STAT LEADERS

OPPONENT	KILLS	ATTEMPTS	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BLOCKS
Cal Baptist	18-Sander	33-Sander	40-Neff	3-Neff	12-Stowell	12-Souza
LBSU*	18-Stowell	30-Stowell	6-Sagers	Two-2	9-Kauliakamoa	13-Souza
UCSB	16-Sander	28-Sander	37-Kauliakamoa	2-DaPron	6-Rindfleisch	12-Souza

*Complete stats not available



BYU COUGAR VOLLEYBALL

BOX SCORES

*Box scores for BYU's first and second matches are unavailable

Volleyball Box Score																	
The Automated ScoreBook																	
BYU Cougars vs UC Santa Barbara (Jan 08, 2011 at Santa Barbara, Calif)																	
##	BYU Cougars	S	Attack				Ast	Serve			Dig	Block			Pts		
			K	E	TA	Pct		SA	SE	RE		BS	BA	BE		BHE	
8	Joe Kauliakamo	4	1	3	5	-.400	37	1	2	0	4	0	2	1	0	-	
9	Otavio Souza	4	5	0	8	.625	1	0	2	0	1	2	10	0	0	-	
11	Kevin Sagers	1	2	3	6	-.167	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	-	
15	Taylor Sander	4	16	2	28	.500	1	1	1	0	4	0	6	0	0	-	
17	Futi Tavana	4	6	2	12	.333	3	1	1	1	2	0	5	0	0	-	
24	Steve Rindfleisch	4	12	4	22	.364	0	0	4	0	6	0	1	0	0	-	
7	Jeff Robinson	4	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	-	
23	Alex DaPron	4	4	3	15	.067	1	2	3	1	5	0	6	0	0	-	
Totals		4	46	17	96	.302	44	5	14	4	25	2	30	1	0	-	
Team Attack By Set		TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 17.0															
Set	K	E	TA	Pct	SET SCORES			1	2	3	4	Team Records:					
1	10	5	23	.217	BYU Cougars (3)			15	25	25	25	3-0					
2	11	1	15	.667	UC Santa Barbara (1)			25	18	18	19	2-1					
3	14	7	30	.233													
4	11	4	28	.250													
##	UC Santa Barbara	S	Attack				Ast	Serve			Dig	Block			Pts		
			K	E	TA	Pct		SA	SE	RE		BS	BA	BE		BHE	
1	Jeff Menzel	4	15	5	32	.312	0	2	6	2	6	0	1	0	0	-	
3	Trey Valbuena	3	5	1	9	.444	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	-	
8	Vince Devany	3	0	0	0	.000	29	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	-	
12	Cullen Irons	3	8	5	20	.150	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	-	
13	Dylan Davis	4	5	1	12	.333	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	-	
19	Scott Slaughter	4	5	1	10	.400	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	-	
4	Oliver Deutschman	1	1	1	2	.000	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	
6	Evan Licht	4	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	
10	Chad Kingi	1	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	
11	Todd Travis	2	4	6	12	-.167	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	-	
20	Andy McGuire	4	0	0	0	.000	2	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	-	
22	Blaine Nielsen	2	1	2	5	-.200	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	-	
Team																	
Totals		4	44	22	102	.216	41	4	16	5	25	1	4	2	0	-	
Team Attack By Set		TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 3.0															
Set	K	E	TA	Pct													
1	15	2	18	.722													
2	10	3	22	.318													
3	8	8	31	.000													
4	11	9	31	.065													
					Site: Santa Barbara, Calif (Rob Gym)												
					Date: Jan 08, 2011 Attend: 320 Time: 2:00												
					Referees: Donna Hess, Brandt Lee												
					Gaucho Invitational Championship Match												

The Automated ScoreBook
BYU Cougars Combined Team Statistics (as of Jan 11, 2011)
All matches

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	3-0	0-0	1-0	2-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	3-0	0-0	1-0	2-0

#	Player	sp	Attack				pct	Set		Serve			re	Dig		Blocking					points	
			k	k/s	e	ta		a	a/s	sa	se	sa/s		dig	dig/s	bs	ba	total	blk/s	be		bhe
15	Taylor Sander	11	40	3.64	7	74	.446	3	0.27	4	6	0.36	4	16	1.45	0	8	8	0.73	0	1	-
17	Futi Tavana	11	18	1.64	4	34	.412	3	0.27	1	2	0.09	1	4	0.36	2	19	21	1.91	0	0	-
24	Steve Rindfleisch	4	12	3.00	4	22	.364	0	0.00	0	4	0.00	0	6	1.50	0	1	1	0.25	0	0	-
9	Otavio Souza	11	12	1.09	4	24	.333	1	0.09	2	3	0.18	0	3	0.27	2	23	25	2.27	0	0	-
13	Robb Stowell	7	27	3.86	11	58	.276	2	0.29	2	3	0.29	0	14	2.00	0	9	9	1.29	0	1	-
8	Joe Kauliakamo	7	4	0.57	3	8	.125	41	5.86	3	5	0.43	0	13	1.86	0	7	7	1.00	1	0	-
23	Alex DaPron	10	9	0.90	6	34	.088	3	0.30	5	6	0.50	2	13	1.30	0	7	7	0.70	0	0	-
6	Josue Rivera	1	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	-
5	Russell Lavaja	1	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	-
7	Jeff Robinson	10	0	0.00	0	0	.000	4	0.40	0	0	0.00	5	15	1.50	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	-
11	Kevin Sagers	6	5	0.83	9	22	-.182	6	1.00	0	2	0.00	1	4	0.67	1	2	3	0.50	0	0	-
16	Trevor Neff	4	0	0.00	1	2	-.500	40	10.00	3	1	0.75	0	7	1.75	0	3	3	0.75	0	0	-
	#TM	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	BYU COUGARS	11	127	11.55	49	278	.281	103	9.36	20	32	1.82	13	95	8.64	5	79	44.5	4.05	1	2	-
	Opponents	11	44	4.00	22	102	.216	41	3.73	4	16	0.36	5	25	2.27	1	4	3.0	0.27	2	0	-

Team Statistics	BY	OPP
ATTACK		
Kills	127	44
Errors	49	22
Total Attacks	278	102
Attack Pct	.281	.216
Kills/Set	11.5	4.0
SET		
Assists	103	41
Assists/Set	9.4	3.7
SERVE		
Aces	20	4
Errors	32	16
Aces/Set	1.8	0.4
SERVE RECEPTIONS		
Errors	13	5
Errors/Set	1.2	0.5
DEFENSE		
Digs	95	25
Digs/Set	8.6	2.3
BLOCKING		
Block Solo	5	1
Block Assist	79	4
Total Blocks	44.5	3.0
Blocks/Set	4.0	0.3
Block Errors	1	2
Ball handling errors	2	0
ATTENDANCE		
Total	0	320
Dates/Avg Per Date	0/0	1/320
Neutral site #/Avg	2/0	-
Current win streak	3	-
Home win streak	0	-

Date	Opponent	Score	Score by set	Att.
Jan 07	vs Cal Baptist	w 3-1	16-25,25-17,25-21,25-22	0
Jan 7	vs #11 Long Beach State	w 3-0	25-17,25-18,25-22	0
Jan 08	at UC Santa Barbara	w 3-1	15-25,25-18,25-18,25-19	320

Record in 3-set matches: 1-0
Record in 4-set matches: 2-0
Record in 5-set matches: 0-0