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2026 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Univeristy of Arizona Wildcats

Mascot: Wilbur & Wilma Wildcat

City/State: Tucson, Arizona

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Bryce Andersen (President), Colin Dempsey (Vice President), Griffin Loughran (Coach), Nick Laman (Assistant Coach)

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **8-10**
- Final Conference Ranking: **4th**
- Regional Tournament Results? **N/A**
- World Series Results? **N/A**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **Club Sports Fundraising Award, Club Sports Sportsperson of the Year (Blake Karpan - LHP)**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 18

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): N/A

Players to Watch: Bryce Andersen (OF), Colin Dempsey (RHP), Blake Karpan (LHP), Mason Doherty (SS), Jorge Ruiz (SS), Jakob Admon (INF, C, UTIL), Zac Henderson (OF)

Biggest Rival: Arizona State University

Favorite Club Tradition: Halloween Pumpkin Carving Competition, Christmas White Elephant Party & "Kangaroo Kourt"

Best Player Nickname: Zac "Cob" Henderson

2026 Spring Season Outlook: The University of Arizona Club Baseball team is poised for a promising Spring 2026 season. After finishing 8–10 in the Spring 2025 season, the Wildcats are even more motivated to reach their goal of finishing at the top of the Southern Pacific Conference and competing for regionals. After fundraising over \$20,000 during the 2025 season, the 2026 fundraising campaign raised nearly the



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same amount, allowing the team to keep dues low for teammates while supporting team expenses. Recruitment this fall was extremely successful, with over 45 players trying out. With 18 returning players, the program welcomes 14 new teammates, setting the roster at 32 players, the largest in recent memory. Bryce Andersen and Colin Dempsey return as President and Vice President, continuing the leadership and drive that contributed to the success seen during the 2025 season. Griff Loughran and Nick Laman return not as students or players, but as Head Coach and Assistant Coach, bringing years of combined experience with the Arizona Club Baseball program. The Wildcats are excited to compete and eager for what lies ahead this spring. The team mindset is simple: be relentless, relentlessly competitive, relentlessly humble, and relentlessly chasing the best version of ourselves every day, on and off the field.

Manager Quote: "What we see depends less on where we are than when we arrive"



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Team Name: **Arizona State University**

Mascot: **Sun Devil**

City/State: **Tempe, AZ**

Captain(s)/Coach(s): **Thomas Christensen (President/HC)**

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **16-10**
- Final Conference Ranking: **3rd**
- Regional Tournament Results? **N/A**
- World Series Results? **N/A**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **N/A**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: **12**

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): **Mason Ford: 2nd Team All region & Andrew Del Pizzo: 2nd Team All region**

Players to Watch: **Justice Reed (LHP), Jake Cruz (RHP), Will Bates (OF), Ryan Derbawka (RHP)**

Biggest Rival: **UofA**

Favorite Club Tradition: **Hiking Camelback Mountain. We do it every year as a team**

Best Player Nickname: **6'4 270lb Ryan Derbawka (Big Country, Big Maple, Derby)**

2026 Spring Season Outlook: **We had the biggest showout for the club ever this year. This is definitely a playoff team looking to move up to the top of a good conference, and has the pieces to do it.**

Manager Quote: **"We have the best pitching staff the club has ever seen, and we are doing more work than ever to win our conference. This is a very good baseball team and I'm excited to see how far we can go!"**



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Team Name: Cal Poly

Mascot: Mustangs

City/State: San Luis Obispo

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Jake Hellmann and Nicolo DiFerdinando / Tanner Morgan

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **(18-0)**
- Final Conference Ranking: **1st**
- Regional Tournament Results? **(0-2)**
- World Series Results? **NA**
- Additional Achievements/Notables:
 - **Undefeated regular season**
 - **Jacob Hambel 3rd Team All American 3B**
 - **Jacob Hambel 1st Team All SoPac 3B**
 - **Jack Kaiser 1st Team All SoPac OF**
 - **Jake Hellmann 2nd Team All SoPac DH**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 23

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

Jake Hellmann:

- (2nd Team All SoPac DH, 2025)
- (1st Team All American and All SoPac, 2024)
- (2nd Team all SoPac 1B/P, 2023)

Players to Watch:

- Bradley Pederson
- Ryan Anema
- Ryan Kestler

Biggest Rival:

GCU

Favorite Club Tradition: Team Camping Trip



Best Player Nickname:

Ferda - Ryan Kestler

2026 Spring Season Outlook: Everyone plays and has fun!

Manager Quote: If you ain't first you're last



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Team Name: Chico State

Mascot: Wildcats

City/State: Chico, CA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Captains: Alex Beaumont, Tanner Edson Coach: Antonio Martin

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **15-3**
- Final Conference Ranking: **2nd place**
- Regional Tournament Results? **4th place**
- World Series Results? **N/A**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **N/A**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 15

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Justin Bellamy, 3rd team all-region 3rd baseman(2025), Carlos Alamillo, 3rd team all-region pitcher(2025)

Players to Watch: Justin Bellamy, Carlos Alamillo, Tanner Edson, Austin Meehlis

Biggest Rival: Santa Clara

Favorite Club Tradition: Team bonding nights

Best Player Nickname: Antonio "Toe" Martin

2026 Spring Season Outlook: Continue our growth as a program

Manager Quote: N/A



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Team Name: Grand Canyon University D1

Mascot: ANTELOPES

City/State: Phoenix, AZ

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Rich Warnol

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **21-2**
- Final Conference Ranking: **15-0**
- Regional Tournament Results? **3-2 lost in if Game**
- World Series Results?
- Additional Achievements/Notables:

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 8

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Tyler Soren NCBA 1st team All American Relief Pitcher 2 years in a row.

Players to Watch: Tyler Soren, Crew Cascaes, Noah Rush, Caisen Medina, Nathan Mclean, Brandon Bermudez, Pabel Martinez

Biggest Rival: The entire SoPac Region

Favorite Club Tradition: HopeKids Clinic

Best Player Nickname: .5

2026 Spring Season Outlook: Battle the Southern SoPac Region to get to a Regional

Manager Quote: Make your teammates better everyday!



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Team Name: Long Beach State Beach

Mascot: Beach

City/State: Long Beach

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Bruce Kuntz, Donny Ayala

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: 7-13 overall / 4-11 in conference
- Final Conference Ranking: 4th place
- Regional Tournament Results? N/A
- World Series Results? N/A
- Additional Achievements/Notables: no-hitter pitched by Jared Arita

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 11

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Noah Cardenas, SoPac 2nd Team All-Region Relief Pitcher 2022-23

Players to Watch: SS/2B Kevin Flanders, 1B/3B Stephen Castro, OF Jackson Perry, RHP Kyle Misner

Biggest Rival: UC Santa Barbara

Favorite Club Tradition: Board meeting at Chili's in Lakewood after tryouts

Best Player Nickname: "6'4 180" for Derek Robertson

2026 Spring Season Outlook: Have made some high-quality additions alongside a strong contingent of returners from last season and are well positioned to take a leap to the top of the SoPac West

Manager Quote: "Long Beach State Club Baseball has been on the rise, and now is the time to buy in and enjoy the Beach brand of baseball." -Bruce Kuntz



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Team Name: University of Nevada

Mascot: Wolfpack

City/State: Reno, NV

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Luke Hughes, Noah Wong, Joey Schroder, Austin Welter, Jayden Hardie

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **9-9**
- Final Conference Ranking: **3rd**
- Regional Tournament Results? **N/a**
- World Series Results? **N/a**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **Ranked #15**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 10

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Luke Hughes So-Pac 3rd team (2024) So-Pac 2nd team (2025), Riley Tagert So-Pac 1st team (2023) 1st team All-American (2023)

Players to Watch: Noah Wong, Luke Hughes, Riley Tagert, Bryce Davis, Chris Jimenez, Tai Chang, Ty Bristol, Braden Hiatt, Nicolas Scolaro

Biggest Rival: UC Davis

Favorite Club Tradition: Going to someone's house after a dub

Best Player Nickname: Joey "Two Plates" Schroder

2026 Spring Season Outlook: With lots of newcomers, UNR club baseball is looking to shock the So-Pac in the upcoming 2026 season

Manager Quote: Watch out



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Team Name: "Sacramento Sate Baseball Club"

Mascot: Herky The Hornet

City/State: Sacramento

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Antony Lopez (Coach)

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **10-5**
- Final Conference Ranking: **2nd**
- Regional Tournament Results?
- World Series Results?
- Additional Achievements/Notables:

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 8

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): 2022-23 All-Region 1st Team Andrew Frank (3rd Base), 2022-23 All Region 2nd Team Andrew Frank (SP), 2022-23 All Region 3rd Team Josiah Galindo (Outfield), 2022-23 All American 2nd Team Andrew Frank (3rd Base)

Players to Watch: Max Delgadillo, Spencer Kim, Victor Villereal, Josiah Galindo, Nicholas Buller, Andy Frank, Cruz Marines

Biggest Rival: UC Davis

Favorite Club Tradition: Halloween Scrimmage and Dodgeball Tournament

Best Player Nickname: OG Bobby Johnson (Bobby Johnson)

2026 Spring Season Outlook: 1st in Conference at least 12-2

Manager Quote: "No Butter Betty"



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Team Name: UC Davis Club Baseball

Mascot: Yolos

City/State: Davis, CA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Blake Dempsey

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: 17-4 (14-1 Conference)
- Final Conference Ranking: 1st
- Regional Tournament Results? 3rd
- World Series Results? N/A
- Additional Achievements/Notables: 16-2 going into playoffs. Regular starting lineup all batted .250 and above.

Number of Returning Players from Last Year:

16

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

- Santiago Garcia (2022 1st Team All-American & 1st Team All-Region, 2023 2nd Team All-Region, 2024 2nd Team All-American & 1st Team All-Region, 2025 2nd Team All-Region)
- Adam Harris (2023 3rd Team All-Region, 2024 1st Team All-Region, 2025 2nd Team All-Region)
- Samuel Dunbar (2025 2nd Team All-American & 1st Team All-Region)

Players to Watch: Santiago Garcia, Adam Harris, Samuel Dunbar

Biggest Rival: Nevada

Favorite Club Tradition: Annual Alumni Game

Best Player Nickname: Adam "Heater" Harris

2026 Spring Season Outlook: The team is looking to come back strong with its 5th straight regional appearance and conference title. Added pitching and hitting depth will help continue previous years' success.

Manager Quote: Don't let the Yolos get hot



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Team Name: UC San Diego

Mascot: Tritons

City/State: La Jolla, CA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Jonah Pitcher

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **6-12 overall, 3-10 in conference**
- Final Conference Ranking: **5th out of 6**
- Regional Tournament Results? **N/A**
- World Series Results? **N/A**
- Additional Achievements/Notables:
Star slugger Jean-Pierre Herd finished with the 3rd most home runs in the nation, and achieved 2nd place in the NCBA home run derby. He also earned 1st Team All Region and 1st Team All American Honors

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 16

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

Finn Daecher - All Region 3rd Team Starting Pitcher 2024

Jean Pierre Herd - All Region 1st Team & All American 1st Team DH 2025

Jake Shukur - All Region 3rd Team Relief Pitcher 2025

Players to Watch: Jean-Pierre Herd, Finn Daecher, Ethan Neuner

Biggest Rival: San Diego State University

Favorite Club Tradition: Team bonding in Vegas during the Henderson Tournament

Best Player Nickname: Jaydee "The Lion" Denning



2026 Spring Season Outlook: After a season with 6 one-run losses, the Tritons look to tighten up their play down the stretch in close games. With 16 brand new faces added on to the 16 returners, the Tritons are gunning for a spot in the SoPac regional tournament this year for a chance to join their slugger JP Herd in Alton as he will surely want redemption for his 2nd place in the home run derby last year.

Manager Quote: "I know this team can make a run, we know we were much better than our record showed last year, and now is our chance to prove it. Every game is a must win and we're not going to let our foot off the gas once conference play starts." - Jonah Pitcher



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Team Name: UCLA

Mascot: Bruins

City/State: Los Angeles

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Greg Klausner

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- **2024/2025 NCBA Season Record:**
 - Finished with a conference W/L record of 9-6. Only losses came to UCSB and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.
- **Final Conference Ranking:**
 - 3rd Place finish behind UCSB and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.
- **Regional Tournament Results?**
 - N/A
- **World Series Results?**
 - N/A
- **Additional Achievements/Notables:**
 - N/A

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 14

- We have 14 returning players from the 2024-2025 UCLA Club Baseball Squad. The players who are no longer with us have either graduated, elected not to play, or been permanently sidelined due to injury.

Returning Past All-Region or NCBA All-American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

- **Diego Duarte**, Starting Pitcher (SP), *D-1 SOPAC All-Region 3rd Team Honors (2024-2025)*
- **Demetrios (Jimmy) Georggin**, 1st Base (1B), *D-1 SOPAC All-Region 3rd Team Honors (2024-2025)*
- **Eric Jensen**, Outfield (OF), *D-1 SOPAC All-Region 3rd Team Honors (2024-2025)*
- **Blake Thomas**, 3rd Base (3B), *D-1 SOPAC All-Region 3rd Team Honors (2024-2025)*



Players to Watch:

- *Diego Duarte:*
 - Powerful left-handed arm on the mound who excels at going deep into games with elite strikeout numbers. The ace of the Bruins staff is looking to come off a strong 2024-25 campaign, where he earned SOPAC All-Region 3rd Team Honors and UCLA's Pitcher of the Year Award. Diego went 4-1, held a 2.32 ERA, and tallied 36 strikeouts during the season. He has a knack for bearing down in tough jams with crafty pickoff moves and well-executed pitches leading to soft contact. On top of his talents on the bump, Diego carries a looming presence at the plate and premier outfield defense. Look for him to light up the stat sheet as a pitcher, fielder, and power bat in UCLA's lineup.
- *Blake Thomas:*
 - An extremely athletic infielder who is truly a five-tool player. At the plate, he boasts both impressive power and immense bat-to-ball skills, as well as above-average speed on the basepaths. During the 2024-25 season, Blake earned SOPAC All-Region 3rd Team Honors and UCLA's Most Valuable Player Award by leading the Bruins in At-Bats, Hits, and Stolen Bases. Additionally, his .350 Batting Average, .911 OPS, and microscopic 4 strikeouts provided consistent support in the heart of UCLA's lineup. In the field at Third Base, Blake was a sure-handed presence with elite arm strength, range, baseball IQ, and reflexes. As he makes the move to Shortstop for the 2025-26 season, look for more of the same as he captains the Bruins' infield defense and further cements his spot around the top of the order.
- *Demetrios (Jimmy) Georggin:*
 - This big first baseman for the Bruins brings a consistent bat to UCLA's lineup. This four-year starter excels at putting the ball into play with runners in scoring position and does his best working gap-to-gap. Demetrios earned SOPAC All-Region 3rd Team Honors last season with a .372 Batting Average, .965 OPS, and finished the season in his team's Top 5 for At-Bats, Hits, RBIs, and Walks. In addition to his skills at the plate, he provides steady defense at First Base with elite ball-picking skills and hand-eye coordination. Look for him to finish his final season strong with quality At-Bats, stalwart defense, and timely knocks.
- *Syrus Olvera:*
 - Coming off a stellar rookie campaign in which he earned UCLA's Rookie of the Year Award, Syrus demonstrates a professionalism that extends well beyond his years. During the 2024-25 season, he earned a .385 Batting Average, .997 OPS, led the team in doubles, and finished the season in his team's Top 5 for Hits, Runs, and Stolen Bases. On top of his offensive production, Syrus holds down Left Field for UCLA's ball club with above-average reaction time, arm strength, and outfield defense. Look for Syrus to build upon his great rookie season with consistent production and heads-up plays in the SOPAC West Division.

Biggest Rival:

- Our biggest rival is UC Santa Barbara. Whenever we match up against each other, the games usually aren't decided until the last few innings. It is always a high-octane and competitive game with lots of chirping and good fun. We are looking to take the series from them this year and finish above them in the standings.



Favorite Club Tradition:

- Our favorite club baseball tradition is getting post-game burritos at the local taco stand. We love to refuel with the best burritos around at Brothers Cousins Tacos and just kick back and hang out with the team.

Best Player Nickname:

- Gavin “Ron Weasley” Butler

2026 Spring Season Outlook:

- We are looking to get over the hump in the SOPAC West and win the division with an extremely important final 6-game stretch against both UC Santa Barbara and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. With a 3rd Place finish in each of the last 3 seasons behind these two ballclubs, it is our main objective to win the season series against both opponents, win the SOPAC West Division, and make the D-1 Playoffs.

Manager Quote:

- “This season is a fresh start, and while we’ve said goodbye to some key players, we’ve gained new talent ready to make an impact. Our focus is on building chemistry and pushing forward with the same commitment to excellence and growth you’d expect from UCLA.” - Coach Greg Klausner



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Team Name: UC Santa Barbara

Mascot: Gauchos

City/State: Isla Vista, California

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Ethan Kwan (President) / Paul Pacheco (VP)

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **22-7 (16-4 Regular Season)**
- Final Conference Ranking: **2nd**
- Regional Tournament Results? **1st**
- World Series Results? **4th**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **Undefeated out of conference (reg. season)**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 11

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Jason Fritz, 3rd Team All-Region (2023), Caden Engelken, 3rd Team All-Region (2025), Mekhi Weight, 3rd Team All-Region (2025)

Players to Watch: Mekhi Wright, Brandon Hermosillo, Drew Griffin, Will Bordin, JR Kully, Caden Engelken

Biggest Rival: Cal Poly

Favorite Club Tradition: All you can eat sushi in Vegas

Best Player Nickname: Word Count (Jaden Wershow)

2026 Spring Season Outlook: Future National Champs

Manager Quote: PLZ



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Team Name: Cal Club Baseball

Mascot: Golden Bears

City/State: Berkeley, CA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Timmy Park

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **6-9**
- Final Conference Ranking: **5**
- Regional Tournament Results?
- World Series Results?
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **A rebuilding year saw Cal Club Baseball turn to many new contributors during the 2025 season, including outfielder Brock Bass and infielder Peyton McGowen. The highlight of the season came in a “Big Game” sweep against Stanford to close out the Spring. However, series losses to UC Davis, UNR, and Sac State left a sour taste as they move into the 2026 season.**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 14

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Matt Thompson, 2023-2024, NCBA Division I Third Team Starting Pitcher,

Players to Watch: Coming off a down year that saw his K/9 drop to 13.1, Matt Thompson once again headlines a strong Cal rotation that also features new additions Andrew Choi and Joseph Hohl. Brock Bass, Ryan Kiessling, and Jeremy Mills make up a no-fly zone in the outfield with the hitting to match: all 3 held an OPS over 1.100 during the Fall. Veterans Peyton McGowen and Manny Molina look to dazzle up the middle with their glove work on the infield. Big lefty Nikolas Smulovitz showcased his power and plate discipline in the Fall, and he will look to deposit balls into the stands this spring. Speedy newcomers Kyle Whalen and Greg Lareva showcased their speed and bat-to-ball ability in the Fall as well, showing their ability to run down balls as well as take the extra base.

Biggest Rival: UNR



Favorite Club Tradition: Every year, each player is assigned a teammate to write a short bio about. This bio can cover any topic the writer chooses, and they are presented at the first team meeting of the year. It is a chance to crack jokes, learn about each other, and bond as a team, and it always produces plenty of laughs.

Best Player Nickname: Nikolas Smulovitz - The Bowler

2026 Spring Season Outlook: Coming off a strong fall, Cal Club Baseball comes into the Spring willing to do whatever necessary to end Cal's playoff drought and reach the NCBA Championships. A tough schedule awaits them, but they are ready to take this head on and compete all year.

Manager Quote: Cal Club Baseball has been blessed with not just amazing talent, but much more depth on the roster than any other year. We will play tough, heads-up baseball all spring and let winning take care of itself. This is a tight-knit group led by a strong group of seniors, and we are excited to put the work in to make a playoff run for the first time in a while. Go Bears!