



## RANDY DEDINI HEAD COACH (SECOND SEASON) FIFTH SEASON OVERALL SONOMA STATE, '92

After serving as an assistant for three seasons, Randy Dedini was hired to take over the program on Feb. 2, 2007, and produced the most successful season in the school's history.

Under the guidance of Dedini, the Hornets made the NCAA Tournament for the first time in school history after collecting their first ever Big Sky Tournament title. The Hornets also won the Big Sky regular season title for the first time in school history, while posting a program record 12 wins. For his efforts, Dedini earned Big Sky Coach of the Year honors, becoming the first coach in program history to do so.

Dedini oversaw nine Hornets who earned all-Big Sky honors during his first season, including Big Sky Offensive MVP Katie McCoy. McCoy was also named Big Sky Tournament MVP, as well as the conference's Golden Boot award winner, given to the league's leading scorer.

As an assistant from 2004-06, Dedini oversaw the team's ascension into the top of the Big Sky standings. During the fall of 2006, the women's program reached the Big Sky Tournament championship game for the first time in program history. The team's 10-7-4 record was also a then program-best until last year's team bettered that mark.

In fact, each of the last two seasons, the Hornets improved their record from the year before as Dedini helped Sacramento State develop its tactics and formation on the field.

In 2006, a highly-touted recruiting class made major contributions during the year. The program's 30 goals during the season were fueled by Dedini's aggressive offensive approach and the ability of the newcomers to contribute immediately. Sacramento State also outshot its opponents 172-106.

Dedini began in 2004 with the Hornets, serving as the goalkeeper coach. During that year, freshman keeper Brittany Auernig was named Rookie of the Year after making eight starts and 59 saves.

In 2005, Dedini made the move to top assistant. The Hornets' recruiting efforts and change in their philosophy of play paid off with a program-best second place finish in the conference standings and an 8-8-3 overall record. The team also advanced to the Big Sky Tournament for the first time since 2001. Dedini's offensive approach meshed well with a young group of skilled players.

Since 2004, 17 members of the program have received all-Big Sky conference honors.

In addition to assisting in all aspects of the women's soccer program, Dedini was director of the women's soccer summer camps his last two years as an assistant.

Before coming to Sacramento State, Dedini spent five seasons as the assistant coach of the men's varsity soccer team for Quaker Valley High School in Pittsburgh, Pa. In 2002, the team won the state championship.

Dedini also spent five years playing with the Pittsburgh Riverhounds of the A-League, winning awards such as team MVP, Iron Man and the century award for breaking the 100-cap mark.

He began his 11-year professional career after playing two years at Sonoma State as the starting goalkeeper and graduating with a B.S. in kinesiology. In 1993, he was an All-American, and in 1992 and 1993, he received all-conference honors.

Dedini is a Northern California native, graduating from Vacaville High School in 1988 and playing for two seasons at American River Junior College. He and his wife Katie have two daughters, Jordyn and Jaycie and son, Jake.



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# WHITNEY/BURTON



## MAUREEN WHITNEY ASSISTANT COACH SIXTH SEASON SACRAMENTO STATE, '01

Maureen Whitney will begin her second season as the top assistant under head coach Randy Dedini.

She is a familiar face to the women's soccer program, with a previous stint as an assistant from 2000-03. She also served as the co-camp director of the Hornets' summer soccer camps over those four years, a position she resumed in 2007. Whitney assists with the day-to-day duties of the women's soccer program, including recruiting and on field coaching.

Whitney, who graduated from Sacramento State in 2001 with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, was a two-sport athlete for the Hornets, competing from 1998-2000 in soccer and softball. As a defender for the women's soccer team, she was named Defensive MVP following her senior season, and during her two-year career, played in 24 matches, recording two goals and two assists.

She is currently coaching the under-13 girls team of the San Juan Spirits Soccer Club. She was an assistant coach on the under-18 National Championship squad at San Juan in 2006. All told, Whitney has spent the past six years developing young talent throughout the local youth competitive soccer ranks.

An accomplished athlete, Whitney has spent eight seasons playing for the California Storm of the Women's Professional Soccer League. A five-time all-star, Whitney captained the Storm along with Brazilian soccer icon, Sissi, and has played alongside former and current national team players such as Brandi Chastain and Leslie Osborne.

The Storm have reached the national championship match five times with Whitney on the field, winning the title twice, and in 2005, Whitney received the honor of WPSL MVP.

Whitney did not begin playing soccer until the age of 19. Already a two-sport athlete at Walla Walla Community College playing basketball and softball, Whitney was asked to join the soccer program in its first year of existence. She completed her eligibility at Walla Walla as a two-time NWACC all-star.

Whitney was also a three-sport athlete at Central Kispap High School, graduating in 1995 after competing in volleyball, basketball and softball.



## KATIE BURTON GRADUATE ASSISTANT SUMMER CAMP DIRECTOR FIRST SEASON SACRAMENTO STATE, '08

After a stellar playing career with the Hornets, Katie Burton remains in the program as a graduate assistant coach. The three-time all-Big Sky selection capped off her five years in the Green and Gold with a first team honor in 2007, while leading the Hornets to the NCAA Tournament for the first time in program history.

An anchor of the Hornets defense playing on both the back line and defensive midfield, Burton tallied her third career goal in the 101st minute against Weber State on Oct. 12, giving the Hornets a 2-1 victory on her first career golden goal. She was also named to the Big Sky all-tournament team after leading the Hornets to a 3-0 shutout over Northern Colorado in the conference title game.

A native of Las Vegas, Burton was an offensive star for Bishop Gorman High School, leading the Gaels to a 4A State Championship in 2001. She posted 25 goals during her senior year, while being named an all-state selection.

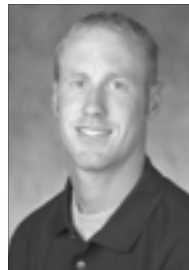
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