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## LAMORINDAS LOCAL SPORT NEWS



### The Mats Swim to a 3-0 record

By Malia McClurg

**T**he way a team plays as a whole determines its success. You may have the greatest bunch of individual stars in the world, but if they don't play together, the club won't be worth a dime." This quote by Babe Ruth is posted on the Miramonte swim team website and captures their winning mentality.

Miramonte never lost energy. Swimmers stood by the edge and yelled "Go!" every time their teammates surfaced for a breath. In the 200 Medley Relay, Miramonte's women's team, Klein, O'Neill, Weikert (one of the captains), and O'Brien swam to a time of 1:55.92 to begin the meet.

Miramonte's men also

work together in and out of the pool. Take, for instance, the fact that the Miramonte swimmers have organized a team-building event. They plan to watch a special showing of the new movie *Pride* – a movie about a dedicated coach, played by Terrence Howard, who starts a swim team for troubled teens at the Philadelphia De-



The Lady Matadors dive into the pool and swim to a victory over Dublin

Photo by Jordan Fong

Miramonte's swim team demonstrated how well they could work together when they took to the pool Thursday, March 22 against Dublin high school in their third match of the season. The at-home win added to the Mats' undefeated record and continued their stellar early season performance.

jumped off to great start, as they followed up with a win in a time of 1:45.87 in the 200 Medley Relay thanks to the great teamwork of Lathrope, Haufler, Kelley, and Perry. In the end, the energy, teamwork and skill of the entire Matador's team helped the women's and men's scores to almost triple that of Dublin. The men fin-

ished with Mirmamonte at 123 points and Dublin with 45. The girl's had similar success topping Dublin 135-31.

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Max Parrague in the 200 IM with a time of 2:05.44

Photo by Jordan Fong

While swimming may look like individual events that contribute to the entire score, the Mats prove this false. The entire team started together in a loud "M-I-R-A-M-O-N-T-E" cheer and was involved in each event. Despite the long meet, Mira-

mond's victory is a result of hard work and skill, but it also has something to do with how they

door will go to the "Swim for your Life" program.

Next up for Miramonte is a quad meet on Wednesday, the 28th, against College Park, Northgate, and our own Campolindo at 3:30pm at the Campolindo Soda Center.

3rd place for design-Chris Wilson  
**Honorable Mentions:**  
Dylan Thomas, Ty Dow, Marty Cunnane, Eric Sweeny and Cameron Kaiser

**Turtle Award:** (for slowest car): Richard Blackenbury

### Cub Scout Pack 351's Annual

### Pinewood Derby Submitted by Diane Thomas

The picture shows the winners of Cub Scout Pack 351's annual Pinewood Derby which was held on

Thursday, March 22nd at Rheem Elementary.

**Winners:**  
1st place-Navid Boozarpour  
2nd place-Scott Hillhouse  
3rd place-Trevor Attanasio

1st place for design-Parker Lothamer  
2nd place for design-Dylan Thomas



### OBA: Mud Dogs Defeat Warthogs

By Jaime Zepeda

**T**he Mud Dogs name might have a messy connotation, but their win over the Warthogs was a clean one. Relying mostly on their big sluggers, the Mud Dogs surpassed the solid pitching and defense of the Warthogs, with a 7-2 win at Curtis Wagner Ranch.

Lee. Clark Jordan followed up with a single of his own. A wild pitch brought in a Mud Dog run, tied the game and left a runner in scoring position. A double by Emmett Carn brought in another run for the Mud Dogs, and put them up by one. Ryan Andersen, the pitcher

Dogs enjoy their lead. They continued to hit the ball hard and put people on base, but had trouble capitalizing with points.

After the Mud Dogs added three more runs in the third with close plays at home, the score was 7-2, in their favor. Both teams shut



The Mud Dogs' number 11, Grayson Judge steals third

Photo by Jordan Fong

Batting with a runner on base, Daniel Ritelli, from the Warthogs, put the first score on the board with a booming double that brought in a run. The Warthogs kept attacking in the first inning, but were unable to create any further damage. Thanks to Tyler

for the Warthogs, however, would not let the run continue. He answered by striking out the next three batters in a row to close the inning.

In the second inning, the Warthogs came back. With runners on first and third base, Alex Levin brought a Warthog in to

each other out in the fourth and fifth innings. This was mainly due to some outstanding saves in the outfield and good performances from their pitchers. Ryan Andersen, for the Warthogs, recorded an outstanding six strikeouts in the game. Daniel Ritelli shut out the



The Mud Dogs' number 5, Clark Jordan connects with the ball for a single

Photo by Jordan Fong

Tasker, who struck out two Warthogs in a row, the Mud Dogs were able to escape the inning relatively unscathed.

Unfortunately, the bottom of the first inning was

score. But, the trouble for the Warthogs did not stop here. After a single and two stolen bases by Clayton Haskell of the Mud Dogs, Ryan Andersen found himself in a tough situation that

Mud Dogs in the bottom of the fifth with two strikeouts, which gave the Warthogs a chance for a comeback in the sixth inning.

In the sixth, however, the Warthogs had a hard



Mud Dogs' pitcher, Clayton Haskell pitches a strike

Photo by Jordan Fong

marred by an injury for the Warthogs. Their starting catcher, Robert Young, was hit in the wrist by a loose ball. Luckily, he was able to return later in the game to help his team with good pitching.

The Mud Dogs began with a run in the first because of a double by Josh

no pitcher wants to face. Luckily, he remained calm and focused on the game. Despite having the bases loaded and being subject to heavy pressure, he calmly struck out the next two batters to save the inning.

The Warthogs kept attacking in the third inning and refused to let the Mud

time getting past the Mud Dogs, and were unable to add to their tally. The tough Mud Dog defense closed the game, in spite of a great attempt on behalf of the Warthogs. The final score left the Mud Dogs over the Warthogs, 7-2.

Heads Up,  
Lamorinda Players, Coaches, and Fans

We want your game scores, highlights, and photos. Please send your game reports, including player names and digital photos to sports-desk@lamorindaweekly.com.

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