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### Tough Tournament Ends with a Blast

By Alex Crook



Loomis Stephen shoots for the second Campo goal

Photo Andy Scheck

The 2007 Acalanes Water Polo Tournament was held at Campolindo High School. Play began on a rainy Friday and ended with a thrilling Campolindo victory on Saturday as the Cougars boys' water polo sunk the competition at this two-day event.

Campolindo started by defeating Clayton Valley in the first round, bringing them into the quarterfinals against Northgate. Another win brought the Cougars to the semifinals against Santa Margarita, where they prevailed 6-3.

The championship featured host Campolindo against visiting St. Francis. Campo caught the Lancers early and pulled to a 2-0 first quarter lead. With 2:17 left in the first, St. Francis woke up, beating keeper TJ Barni to cut the lead in half. One additional goal for each side left the score 3-2 in favor of the Cougars at the quarter.

The Lancers came back strong and found themselves leading just 1:02 into the second half. Helped by a beautiful backhand goal, St. Francis took control for the first time, leading 6-5. The Cougars came back in the fourth quarter with junior Chris Dyer scoring easily on a 5-meter penalty shot to tie the game at 6. Campo then pulled ahead at the 2:00 mark on a key goal from Dyer. With only 10 seconds left, St. Francis forced overtime with a game-tying goal. In overtime, however, Chris Dyer was at it again. With 2:42 left in sudden death, Dyer finished off St. Francis, winning the tournament for host Campolindo.

In all, Dyer finished with four goals in the championship game, leading his team to victory.

In the third place match, De La Salle prevailed over the Santa Margarita Eagles, a team

who made the long trip from Southern California. In the fourth quarter, De La Salle found itself with a 5-2 lead, but the Eagles rallied and scored another with 1:36 left. But one late goal was strictly enough for the De La Salle defense, and the Spartans held on and were awarded third place.



Chris Dyer shoots for the goal

### Bocce Ball

#### Awards Banquet Lights up Hacienda

By Jennifer Wake



Ron Lopes, Moraga

Photo Andy Scheck

More than 60 of the 120 Moraga Bocce Club players from throughout Lamorinda gathered at the Hacienda de las Flores in Moraga last week to celebrate the winners of the Bocce Ball Championship Playoffs and do what they do best: Have fun.

The Master of Ceremonies for the event was Dom Sidari – the person responsible for bringing bocce ball to the Commons and bringing players to the courts. When he stood up to make a few remarks, the crowd erupted with cheers of, "Hip, hip, huray!"

"The bocce ball courts wouldn't have happened – at least for many, many years – if not for Dom," said Nancy Richardson, the former Town of Moraga Parks and Recreation Director who helped Dom get approval for the courts over ten years ago. "Dom came into my office and said, 'I want a bocce ball court,' and I said, 'Go for it.'"

And go for it, he did. Dom traveled to Oakland for the best materials after researching some of the top courts in the area, such as the courts located in Martinez. "He got real oyster shell for the base of the court, only the best of the best," player Jeff Schwartz said.

For Dom's wife, Jean, the endeavor has been a time-consuming one, but she says he loves it.

"It takes a lot of time," she said. "A lot of people have asked to help and he says, 'No. I'll take care of it.'"

"Then I say: What about the house?" she added with a chuckle.

Many of the players came to the sport simply from knowing Dom. Leslie Schreiner has been playing for the past four years after Dom invited her out to play. Other players now say she's "a natural." "I love it!" she said. "Bowling? Forget it. I like the people we play with and the team."

John April of Orinda explained bocce ball is not just an old guys' game. "Leslie's the reason we don't have a trophy," he said, laughing. This was his first year playing, and April said it was frustrating at times, but he plans to keep at it.

"I'll get better," he said. As for the first-place winners of the tournament, the Frank Glowatch Team received awards for their achievement, but in keeping with the relaxed atmosphere of the evening, only first names were engraved on the trophies: Phil, Dug, Paula, Frank, Jim, Darcy and Wayne.

"We have great camaraderie," April said. "It's a great way to build relationships in the neighborhood."

The next goal for Dom? Two more courts at the Commons.



Dom Sidari and his wife Jean take pleasure in watching team play

### Saint Mary's Men Battle #21 Gonzaga

By Kevin D. Shallat



Jared Medina (6), Goal Keeper Brian Mason, Justin Kim (17)

Photo Tod Fierner

The Saint Mary's men's soccer team began West Coast Conference play on Friday, Oct. 5, hosting the Bulldogs of Gonzaga University. Although Saint Mary's was able to grind out a tough match against the 21st ranked team in the nation, the Gaels lost the match 1-0 on a hard luck goal.

The game started off shaky for the Gaels as Gonzaga was able to control the ball in Saint Mary's territory for much of the opening period. It looked as if the Gaels were in for a long afternoon.

However, after the first few minutes of the game the Gaels seemed to realize that they were plenty good enough to have a shot at winning this game. Gael midfielder Erik Robert did a good job of forcing the ball into Bulldog territory, as he made some nice passes on the run to set up his fellow teammates. Midfielder Dylan Leslie had a couple of nice shots on goal, including one penalty kick, which was stopped by the Gonzaga goalkeeper. Standout Gael goalkeeper Brian Mason was able to help keep the game tied at 0-0 going into the half.

The second half was even more impressive than the first, as the Gaels had possession of the ball for much of the half. Midfielder Justin Kim was a spark plug for the Gaels, as he was able to cut right down the middle of the Gonzaga defense throughout the second half. One of the shots by Kim looked as if it was going in, as it was hammered toward the Gonzaga goal. Their goalie was able to stop a sure goal by leaping up and over, completely out-

stretched, to save a goal for the Bulldogs.

Despite the Gaels impressive defense, Saint Mary's caught a bad break in their own territory when Gonzaga midfielder Grant Lundberg kicked a shot on goal that was completely blocked by a Saint Mary's defender. The ball bounced away, but it had a funny spin to it, and wound up rolling parallel to the goal line. The ball looked like a bunted baseball rolling down the base line, teetering on the edge of fair or foul. Unfortunately for the Gaels, the ball rolled the wrong way across the line and into the Saint Mary's goal.

The good news? There was plenty enough time for the Gaels to come back. With 3:50 left to play, Robert had an opportunity to tie the game on a nice shot on goal, but the Gonzaga goalkeeper again denied the Gaels a chance to tie.

The last good opportunity came on a corner kick to freshman Kyle Deremer, who did a great job in heading the ball toward the net, but the ball sailed up and over the goal. The Gaels went on to lose this one in a hard fought loss by a score of 1-0.

Catch the next Gaels game by checking the schedule online at: [www.SMCGaels.com](http://www.SMCGaels.com)



Erik Robert (3)

Photo Tod Fierner

#### First round:

Acalanes defeats (d.) Pinole Valley  
Santa Margarita d. Drake  
Campolindo d. Clayton Valley  
Northgate d. Las Lomas  
St. Francis d. Berkeley  
Marin Catholic d. Ygnacio Valley  
De La Salle d. Alhambra  
Monte Vista d. Novato

#### Quarterfinals:

Santa Margarita d. Acalanes  
Campolindo d. Northgate  
St. Francis d. Marin Catholic  
De La Salle d. Monte Vista

#### Semifinals:

Campolindo 6, Santa Margarita 3  
St. Francis 9, De La Salle 5

#### Championship Game:

Campolindo 8, St. Francis 7 (in overtime)

#### Third Place Game:

De La Salle 5, Santa Margarita 2

#### Fifth Place Game:

Acalanes 10, Monte Vista 3

#### Seventh Place Game:

Northgate 7, Marin Catholic 6

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