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Second Half Surge Lifts Acalanes Over Campolindo By Kevin D. Shallat



Brooks Baker for Acalanes, Connor Breslin for Campo

The Acalanes Dons made

the short trip to Moraga for

Campolindo's homecoming

game last Friday, with each team

needing a win in a big way. A

second league loss for either

team would dash any hopes for a

division title. Unfortunately for

the Cougars, it was not the

homecoming they were hoping

for, as Campolindo was edged

hard hits from each team, as

both teams tried to establish their

toughness. The first play of the game was a turnover after Cam-

polindo made a hit on a pass

play, which knocked the ball up

into the air for a Cougar inter-

ception. Campolindo running

back Kawa Kazzaz didn't waste

any time running around the end

The game started off with

by the Dons, 25-21.

and into the end zone for a quick

Acalanes running back Tyler Malley started off the game with a few nice runs, but was limited in rushing yardage for the rest of the game. After the turnover by Campolindo, Acalanes quickly aired it out to wide receiver Brooks Baker for a long touchdown pass, tying the game at 7-7.

Campolindo's defense was very strong in the first half. They were able to limit the scoring by Acalanes, and completely shut down their running game. Strong safety Tyler Rittenour and cornerback Fern Fadelli had impressive, loud tackles throughout the game.

In the second quarter Campolindo quarterback Andrew Er-

tola threw a nice pass to Nick Mascheroni for a 64-yard touchdown. The Dons immediately answered back after a nice catch over the middle from tight end Hunter Hewitt. With 7:38 left to go before halftime, Malley ran the ball in to tie up the score. The score would only get to 14-13, however, as the Dons missed the first of three PATs on the

night. Campolindo grabbed the

momentum back on an eight

yard run by Andreas Antono,

bringing the score to 21-13 in

favor of Campolindo until the

half. There were a combination of factors in the second half that led to the Acalanes win. Campolindo shut down their passing attack and ran the ball for the majority of the second half, but

Photo Gavin Schlissel Bo Richter with the ball for Campolindo

> were unable to score any points. Acalanes quarterback Robbie Pestal got back on track and found a way to get the ball to his favorite targets.

"Robbie's one of the most accurate passers I've ever played with," Hewitt said.

Baker caught his second touchdown pass of the night to get the Dons within two points of the Cougars. With 4:57 left in the game, Pestal found tight end Hewitt in the end zone for the game-winning touchdown pass.

"I wasn't on tonight in the first half, so we went back to what we've been doing successfully, which was throwing the short routes, making them come up, and then going deep by hitting Brooks and Hunter," Pestal said.



State Champions Prevail in Hard Fought Match By Kevin D. Shallat



Mary Vaccaro at the net sets the ball

Big crowds turned up for the girls volleyball match-up between the Miramonte Matadors and last year's state champion Campolindo Cougars, Thursday, Oct. 4. Miramonte had a tall order to fill in playing the Cougars, yet the players and fans were determined to give Campolindo a run for their money.

The Matadors played inspired volleyball with the help of their home crowd, but they were unable to stop the defending champions from winning this match, 3-1.

The Mats would hang tight in the first game and get the score to within one point, at 20-21. Campolindo's outside hitter and middle blocker, Chandler Moore, did a nice job of putting the game out of reach with a tremendous spike for a side-out point, followed by a service point. Campo won this first game, 25-21.

In the second game Miramonte was unable to get consistent sets by the net, yet they did a tremendous job to keep the score

close. Outside hitter Kari Johnson did a fantastic job of serving for the Mats, dropping a number of serves directly in front of the Cougar's net. Late in the second game the Mats were able to solve their setting issues and establish a killer combo between their libero and outside hitter.

Libero Mary Diamantidis dished out a host of assists to fellow Matador outside hitter Juliana Stivanicevic. The two were able to guide the Matadors to a 25-22 victory and tie the match at 1-1.

Things were looking good for the Matadors and they jumped out to an early 12-9 lead in the third game. Outside hitter Kelsey Ross powered a spike past two Campolindo defenders to help the Matadors take the lead. Outside hitter Kim Condie did a nice job for Campolindo, as her serves provided a big lift to help put the Cougars up 24-22. The Matadors recorded a nice dunk style spike to tie the game at 25-25. However, Campo was able to spread the of-

Photo Gavin Schlisse involved, as they won this tightly contested game by a score of 27-

> "We're all very athletic...so I think we're able to contribute from many positions out there," said Campolindo Head Coach Scott Bishop.

In the fourth game Campo would jump out to a 12-6 start, and never look back. Libero Alessandra Neason served well when it counted most for Campolindo. Freshman setter Mary Vaccaro was everywhere for the Cougars Thursday night, dishing out perfectly placed assists for her teammates.

"Mary is doing an incredible job to come into a varsity position and run the offense," Bishop

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benefactor of Vaccaro's assists, as she led the Cougar's with nine kills on the night.

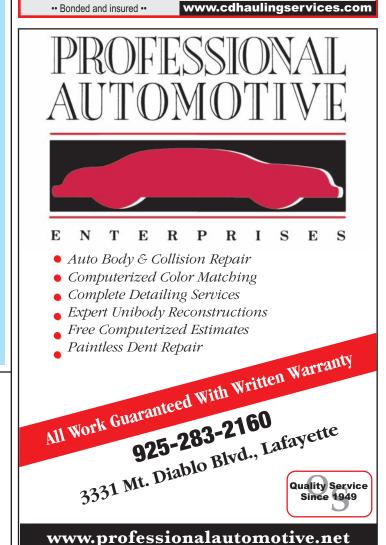
Miramonte would get within four points when the score jumped to 16-20, but that's as close as they would get. Campolindo went on to win this final game by a score of 25-18, and win the match 3-1.



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