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LAMORINDA'S LOCAL SPORTS NEWS

St. Monica's CYO Track Team

Brings Home 20 Medals Submitted by Laura Foxworthy,

Head STMO Track and Field Coach and Athletic director



(left to right) Zach Foxworthy, Philip Rei, Tim Duckworth,

Alex Sheiman, Kieran Fara, Kristen Chan

Photo submitted

First year participant Arden

Creson, a third grader from Orinda,

was the youngest qualifying Ath-

lete this year. She qualified as an

alternate in both the 50m and the

100m. Two fourth grade boys, who

are known to frequently run side

by side in their races, are Matthew

Kline from Rheem and Kieran

Fara from Los Perales. Matthew

qualified in the 800m while Kieran

qualified in the Long Jump and in

Settle, two more fourth graders

who have been on the team for 2

years, both qualified in the 1600m

STMO who has been has been a

great addition to the team in many

ways is Jake Buchanan, who qual-

ified in the 1600m. Kristen Chan,

who has been on the team for three

Claire Manrique and Sophie

A brand new fifth grader on

the 1600m.

this year.

he St. Monica's CYO Track Team (STMO) is coming down to the end of their season, and they are still tearing up the track. Twenty-six athletes qualified for the Sectional meet this year by placing in the top three in their events at the qualifying meet on April 26 at Freedom High School in Brentwood.

At the Sectional meet held in Livermore on Saturday, May 3, 17 track teams from Contra Costa County were all competing for the top three spots in each event.

Amazingly, 11 of the 26 St. Monica's athletes accomplished this feat bringing home 20 medals. These 11 runners, jumpers and throwers moved onto the Diocesan Championship meet on May 10, again, in Livermore.

The Diocesan Championship meet included 36 CYO teams from Contra Costa and Alameda counyears, keeps getting faster and faster each year. This year she qualified in the 50m.

The sixth grade boys had quite a day at sectionals not only qualifying by taking first in both the 4x100 relay and the Sprint medley relay, but also breaking two STMO records in both events.

These four blazing fast boys are Tim Duckworth (from OIS) and Zach Foxworthy, Philip Rei and Alex Shieman (all from JM). Alex Shieman also qualified in the softball throw and the 800m, his second year running the 800m at Diocesan. Tim Duckworth, who will be missed next year when he moves to Arizona over the summer, qualified in the 100m, 400m and Long jump. Phillip Rei qualified for the fourth year in a row in the 400m and also qualified in the 100m. Zach Foxworthy qualified for the 1600m for the fourth time.

And last, but definitely not least, Leland Wong, the resident veteran and role model for STMO's younger athletes, will be running his last race on the STMO CYO track team in the 400m and the long Jump. He will continue his running and jumping career as a Campolindo freshman next year.

All 50 athletes worked very hard this year and a lot of personal records were broken. The STMO track athletes celebrated their achievements at their end of the year Track Party at St. Monica Church's gathering room on May 18 with pizza, soda and awards.

Moraga Resident Wins Bronze at International Karate Championships

Submitted by Thomas Westernoff



fter long hours of training and success at State and Regional tournaments, Chris Wellbrook qualified for the 2007 National Karate Championships held in Winston-Salem, N.C. and placed third in the

Based on his performance, he was invited to the AAU-USA National Team trials in hopes of making the world team.

In August, he was told he would represent the 13-year-old black belt division for the National Team at the International Karate-Do Championships, held in Osaka, Japan on March 23, 2008.

After 16 hours of travel, he arrived at the competition. With more than 700 competitors at the event, including 29 in Chris's single elimination sparring division, he successfully powered his way through his first four fights, making it to the final four. He fought hard in his next round, but was defeated. The next fight was for third place. He came out very aggressive, and was able to overpower his competitor, winning the Bronze medal for the U.S., and having the experience of a lifetime.

Other Karate News

A Total of 17 Karate & Fitness Place USA Team Members, lead by Sensei Thomas Westernoff, returned home from the AAU 1st Round Qualifier held in Chico, Calif., with 29 Medals: 9 Gold, 11 Silver, 9 Bronze.

Team	Mem	here	Results
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Name	KATA	KUMITE	KOBUDU
Brandon Tokuyama	Gold	Gold	
John Krakowski	Silver	Bronze	
Michael Doucet	Silver	Silver	
Chris Wellbrook	Gold	Gold	Silver
Mykaela Lewis	Silver	Bronze	
Cole Jeter	Gold		
Ryan Jeter	Bronze	Silver	
Edward Chen	Silver	Bronze	
Victor Chen	Silver	Silver	
JD McPhee	Gold	Bronze	
Jospeh Tsuboi			
Nick Luckenbach	Bronze	Bronze	
Haze Mach	Bronze	Bronze	
Jacob Plutt	Gold	Gold	
Omid Boozarpour	Gold		
Nate Oto	Silver		
Morgan Langstaff	Silver		

(Jacob, Edward and Ryan swept the Kata division by taking 1st, 2nd and 3rd – a great team showing. Congratulations to our Team, first timers and some of our youngsters who have been training with us for nearly 2 to 4 months and came back home victorious!)

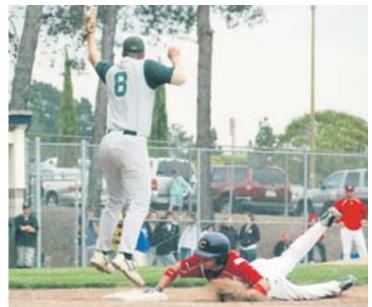
Cougars Head to Third Round Following Victory Over Mats

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Coleman was forced into a full count but was able to draw the walk to reach first base. Stephens then laid down a bunt, but the third baseman inexplicably let the ball stop, allowing Stephens to reach safely. Wirth then tried to sacrifice the runners over but the third baseman could not throw to first in time and Wirth reached.

Gregory came up with another key hit in the game with the bases loaded. With one strike on him, Gregory drove a deep fly ball into the right-center gap over the heads of the Miramonte outfielders. Gregory raced around the bases for a stand-up triple. Gregory was then driven in on a single by Fadelli.

The Matadors tried to make a comeback in the seventh, but the Cougars were able to hold on. After giving up a single and two walks, junior Jeff Gold gave up a



Anthony Fadelli safe

short fly ball to right field. Sophomore Corbin Chase sprinted in and made a terrific diving catch to save

This victory has sent the

Photo Gavin Schlissel

Cougars into the third round to face the Cinderella of the playoffs: the Piedmont Highlanders.

LMYA Registration News

Submitted by Gint Federas LMYA SOCCER

Registration for the fall season runs May 10-May 31 and includes all grades from entering kindergarten in the fall through high school seniors. Please register online at:

www.lmyasports.com/soccer/registration.html

LMYA Gutter Guppies

Evaluations will be held May 20 and June 2. Last Names A-L start at 5 p.m., M-Z start at 5:30 p.m. each day.

Each child is evaluated to determine whether or not he/she can swim unassisted 15 feet and get a breath of air unassisted.

LMYA Gutter Guppy Team is for 3-6 year old pre-team swimmers who are not quite ready for the 6&Under team. Stroke instruction is provided in a small group setting of 4-5 swimmers. The goal is to teach the four basic strokes: freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly. By the end of the season, most children are able to swim the length of the 25 yard pool alone, and the Gutter

Guppy team participates in a real LMYA swim meet. The gutter guppy season runs Monday through Thursday, June 16 through Aug. 8. Guppies can enroll in Session 1 from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. or Session 2 from 12:45 to 1:15 p.m. The cost is \$350 per child.

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LMYA Summer Basketball

Registration for the summer season is now open to all Lamorinda players. Evaluations will be held June 2 at Stanley Middle School, 3455 School St., Lafayette.

(2nd grade – no evaluation) 3-4 grade boys and girls 6:15 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 5-6 grade boys and girls

7-8 grade boys and girls 7:45 p.m. (Based on the grade student enters in the fall.) The season runs June 14 to July 31 with practice on Sat-

urday afternoons, and games on weekday evenings at school gyms throughout Lafayette and Moraga. The cost is just \$130 per player and includes a jersey. For more information and to register, please visit



LMYA Swimming

The LMYA Dolphin Swim Team has proudly served swimmers in the Lamorinda area for over 50 years. Time Trials were May 18th. For more information, please visit www.lmyaswim.com

Miramonte rallies to beat Campolindo By Jack Fernbacher

he Miramonte Baseball team finished up the regular season on May 15 by making a tremendous comeback to defeat Campolindo 13-7. The Mats were down 5-0 after four innings, but then the Mats started teeing off of Campolindo's pitchers.

Juniors Joey Epperson and John Vacarro started the pounding in the fifth inning by hitting backto-back home runs and pulled the Mats within two runs. Then in the top of the sixth inning the Mats made a remarkable 1-out rally.

The Mats scored seven runs on seven consecutive hits in the top of the sixth inning to take a 10-6 lead. The batter who finished the rally was junior Matt Lloyd, who went 4-5 in the game with two RBIs.

The Mats continued the rally into the seventh inning and scored three more runs with the scorching hot bats of Epperson, Lloyd, and

Out on the mound for the Mats, junior pitcher Andrew Kjar got rattled early on in the game allowing four runs in the second inning, but settled down later in the game and got the job done to win the game. Kjar pitched a complete

game, allowing seven runs and striking out three batters.

The win meant a lot for the Miramonte program as the Mats have not been very successful against the Cougars in the past couple of years. Miramonte had been 0-7 in the last four years, with three of the losses having been decided by only one run.

"It felt awesome to beat Campolindo," said senior pitcher Tim Fong, who has never seen Miramonte's varsity team beat Campolindo during his career at Miramonte. "Our program has been good the last couple of years, but we were not able to play well against Campo. I think it shows how good our team is this year that we were able to come back and beat Campo."

For Campolindo, junior shortstop Anthony Fadelli had another great game at the plate as he went 3-3 with one home run and four RBIs. Senior pitcher David Wirth started the game for the Cougars and was lined up for the win when he left the game. Wirth pitched 4 2/3 inning and only gave up three earned runs as he struck out 12 batters.

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