

Campo Boys' Golf Takes Second at DFAL Tournament

Submitted by Bob Latham



From left: Joey Mediate, Sam Firth, Robert Young, Manny Manzone; Front row: Jim Coon, and Matt Alderete
Photo Andrea A. Firth

The Campolindo boys' golf team started strong at the DFAL League Tournament held on Monday, April 30th at the Poppy Ridge Golf Course in Livermore. Campolindo had one of their best finishes in years, earning a team score of 385, just three strokes behind league powerhouse Dublin High School. Miramonte shot 411 for third place and Acalanes shot 427 for sixth.

Campolindo sophomore Matt Klein

earned second place honors in a one-hole playoff over Acalanes' junior Ryan West. Both shot 75.

Campolindo freshman Robert Young fired a 76, tying for 4th place, and took home the 6th place ribbon after a playoff. Sophomores Manny Manzone and Jim Coon shot 77 and 78 respectively, followed by junior Sam Firth with a 79. Matt Alderete rounded out the Campolindo squad's scoring with an 84.

Lamorinda Monarchs Sweep Weekend Tournament

Submitted by Lynn Byrd



Photo provided

The Lamorinda Monarchs 14U eighth grade baseball team took its game on the road to Reno last weekend May 5-6. The Monarchs finished with a perfect 5-0 mark over the weekend. Mac Lardner pitched a complete

game and struck out eight in the championship matchup against the SV STORM on Sunday afternoon. Lardner and Daniel Glorioso were named tournament Co-MVP's, but it was truly a team win.

Moraga Baseball Association

Submitted by Jin Meng

May 5

Mustang Division

Giants 9, A's 1

Giants Highlights: Michael Holloway 1-for-2, 2B, RS; Charlie Craig 2-for-2, 2 SBs, 3 RS; Corey Goldman 1-for-2, 2 SBs, RBI, RS, 3 IP, 1 ER, 3 H, 4 K's; Kellen Clancy RS, 1 IP, 0 ER, 1H, 5 K's; Jake Crumbaugh 1-for-3, RBI, RS, 1 IP, 0 ER, 0 H, 3 K's; Drew McGill 2 SBs, RS. A's Highlights: CJ Rago 3 IP, 1 ER, 1 H, 7 K's; Cayden Hein 2B, RBI, 2 IP, 4 ER, 4 H, 3 K's; Grant Harper 1-for-2, 2B, 1 IP, 1 ER, 2 K's; Easton Means SB, RS; Matthew Wong 1-for-2, 2B; Jackson Rusconi 1-2, SB.

Pinto Division

A's 11, Cubs 10

A's Highlights: Garrett Bornfleth 3-for-3, 1 RS; Dylan Rusconi 4-for-4, 3 RS, 1 RBI; Nicholas Buck 3-for-3, 1 RS

Cub highlights: Vincent Castillo 3-for-3, 3 RS, 1 RBI; Andrew Pak 3-for-3, 2 RS, 2 RBI; Quinn Panos 3-for-4, 1 RBI

Giants 16, Pirates 8

Giants Highlights: Luke McCurdy 3-for-3, Run, 3 RBIs, 2 2B; Nate Powers 3-for-3, 2 Runs, 4 RBI, 3B; Luke Olsen 2-for-3, 2 Runs, RBI; and Logan Robeson 3-for-3, 3 Runs, RBI, 2 2B

Pirates Highlights: Vito Crudele 3-for-3, RBI; Xavier Esquer 2-for-3, 2 Runs, 2 RBI, 3B; Ryan Kang 2-for-3

May 2

Pinto Division

Giants 22, Cubs 16

Cub's Highlights: Tyler Panos 3-for-4, 2 Runs, 2 RBIs; Cooper Lenahan 3-for-4, 2 Runs, 3 RBIs; Tyler Garcia 4-for-4, 2 Runs; Charlie Lopez 3-for-3, 1 Run, 2 RBIs

Giant's Highlights: Michael Coane 3-for-4, 2 Runs, 1 RBI; Wiley Winkler 2-for-3, Run, 3 RBI, 2B; Shan Brinton 3-for-3, 2 Runs, RBI, 2B; Brendan O'Donnell 2-for-3, 2 Runs

Red Sox 16, Athletics 10

Red Sox Highlights: James Murray 4-for-4, 3 Runs, 1 RBI; Riley Bird 3-for-3, 3 RS, 3 RBIs; Charlie Burke 2-for-3, 1 RS

Athletics Highlights: Adam Harper 3-for-3, 2 RS; Dylan Rusconi 2-for-3, 2 RS, 2 RBI; Luca Rago 2-for-3, 2 RS, 3 RBI

May 1

Mustang Division

A's 12, Pirates 2

Pirates Highlights: Michael Evans 1-for-2, RS, 2 IP, 2 strikeouts; Chase Giglio 1-for-2, RS; Ryan Fritch 1-for-2, RBI, 1+IP; Rex Curtiss 1-for-2, 2SB, RBI; Graham Becker 1 2/3 IP, 4 strikeouts; Luke Ahearn 1-for-2, 2B.

A's Highlights: Alex Claire 1-for-3, 2 RS; Grant Harper 3-for-3, 2B, 3B, HR, 2 RBIs, 2 RS, 3 IP, 1 ER, 2H, 9 K's; CJ Rago 1-for-2, 2 RS, 1 IP, 0 ER, 3 K's; Cayden Hein 1-for-2, 3B, 2 RBIs, RS, 2 IP, 1 ER, 2H, 4 K's; Jackson Rusconi 2-for-2.

April 28

Pinto Division

Cubs 19, Red Sox 16

Cubs Highlights: Connor Fritch 4-for-4, 3 Run, 1 RBI; Tyler Garcia 3-for-4, 2 Run, 3 RBI; Kyle Brennan 3-for-3, 2 Runs

Red Sox Highlights: Riley Bird 3-for-4, 3 Runs, RBI; Nico Mossotti 4-for-4, 2 Run, RBI; Evan Olson 3-for-4, 3 Runs, RBI

April 25

Giants 19, Red Sox 8

Giants Highlights: Nate Powers 3-for-4, 1 Run, 4 RBI; Luke McCurdy 4-for-4, 1 Run, 1 RBI; Shan Brinton 3-for-3, 1Runs, 3 RBI, 2B

Cubs Highlights: Ian Concepcion 1-for-3, 3 Runs, RBI; Alex Ayers 2-for-3, 1 Run, RBI; James Murray 2-for-3, 2 Runs

April 21

Mustang Division

Yankees 28, Red Sox 7

Yankees Highlights: Peter O'Donnell 2-for-4, BB, 3RS, 3SB; Blake Pollock 3-for-4, 2RBI, BB, 3RS, SB; Josh Fleming 1-for-4, 2RBI, 2BB, 2RS, SB

Red Sox Highlights: Mark McCurdy 2-for-3, 3RBI, 3B, BB, 2RS, SB; Dan Wheeler 1-for-3, RBI, RS, BB, 2SB; Andrew Fenske 1-for-3, 2B, RBI

April 17

Pinto Division

Pinto A's 17, Pinto Pirates 5

Pinto A's Highlights: Caleb Fleming 2-for-3, 1 RBI, 2 RS; Garrett Bornfleth 2-for-3, 1 RBI, 2RS; Donovan Castilla-Liu 2-for-3, 1 RBI, 1 RS
Pinto Pirates Highlights: Joe Walgenbach 1-for-2, 1RS; Tommy Richards 2-for-3, 1 RBI; Justin Meyers 2-for-3, 1 RBI

Saint Mary's Baseball Hangs in There

By Alex Kozela



Photos Tod Fierner

The Saint Mary's baseball team took the field at the beginning of this season in February brimming with confidence. It was the dawn of a new era, as the Gaels christened the beautiful new Louis Gusto Field, the first project in a \$30 million effort to revitalize on-campus athletic facilities.

But then injuries took over.

"We've had six or seven guys out for most of the year, and that never makes things easy," said Gaels' head coach Jedd Soto.

He's had to do a fair bit of juggling lineups this year, as key players like senior pitcher Mike Anderson, and his replacement, sophomore Kurt Jahnke, and senior infielder Troy Channing, and his replacement, junior Shawn O'Brien, have all been out for stretches of the season.

Soto acknowledged that injuries notably affect stability and continuity in the team.

"As soon as someone goes down, their role changes," he said. "But you know, despite the injuries, I am proud of their effort. I think the guys have done a really good job at winning ball games, with missing some of the better players in our team. I give them credit for battling despite some adversity."

The Gaels, coming off of two disappointing losses to Gonzaga in a home stand last weekend, now stand at 22-23 overall, with a 6-12 WCC record.

"I think we're better than we show. I think we're definitely better than how we've been playing," said junior infielder Patrick Wisdom. "I expected us to do really well this season, but

we've had ups and downs and that's part of the game.

The Gonzaga series was reflective of how close the Gaels are to that next step. After winning the first game of the series 6-4, they fell 4-3 and 7-5.

"It was the same thing as [the Gonzaga series] last year. We were in every game, it came down to the last pitch on Saturday and Sunday, and unfortunately we were on the wrong side of that," said Soto. "But they continue to go out and battle."

While the results haven't been as positive as players and the coaching staff may have liked, regardless of the team's record, the new field is a positive that is here to stay for years to come.

"It's an honor to be the first team to play in it," said Wisdom. "It's exciting every time we come out here, and we're excited what it can bring."

Soto said the team, which previously played next door, is still adjusting to the new facility.

"It plays different than the old field. The wind blows harder. We need to figure out how to get the grass mowed short enough so it catches a little bit. It changes your offense. We're just getting acclimated to it, and I think next year we'll be more settled in," said Soto.

The Gaels close out the season with a series at Portland May 11-13 before their last three games, a home stand against San Francisco on May 25-27.

"We've got a good club, so hopefully we finish out the season strong," said Wisdom.



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