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# Gaels Seek to Defend WCC Golf Crown

By Hunter Hewitt



Ben Geyer

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Two years ago, an unfortunate statistic haunted the Saint Mary's men's golf program: it had never won a West Coast Conference Championship. Last year, the Gaels were able to chip that monkey off their backs with a spare pitching wedge by claiming their first WCC Championship in school history.

After making history last season,

Saint Mary's has carried over the success and is now eyeing its second straight conference title.

The Gaels have put together an impressive 2012-2013 campaign, recording seven top-three finishes in nine highly competitive tournaments. With several returners from last year's championship team, they are poised for a repeat.

"We really want to defend our title," head coach Scott Hardy said. "Winning that two years in a row would be a great accomplishment for this group."

Saint Mary's is ranked No. 24 in the latest Golf Coaches Association of America Division I poll, and it has competed closely with many top-ranked teams this season.

Most recently, the Gaels placed third amongst a talent-filled pool in the U.S. Intercollegiate, a three-day tournament at Stanford Golf Club that concluded on March 30. Saint Mary's finished 10 strokes ahead of No. 7-ranked USC, and fell just behind No. 9 Stanford and No. 11 TCU, who finished first and second, respectively.

The Gaels have been led by senior Ben Geyer, a 2012 WCC all-conference selection and the reigning individual champion of the 2012 WCC Championships.

Despite Geyer's individual prowess, Hardy attests to his team's depth as the main reason for its success, acknowledging key components like senior Mac McClung, sophomore Jonathan De Los Reyes and juniors Dalan Refioglu and Alex Bungert.

Although reclaiming the WCC crown is the top goal, Hardy and Geyer believe their team is capable of much more. If Saint Mary's wins the conference, it will advance to the NCAA Regional Championships, where it could then potentially advance to the NCAA National Championships.

"I believe if we can make it to the NCAA Championships, we have a

very good chance of challenging for one of the top-eight spots and advancing to the match play portion," Hardy said. "I know we have players that could win a match against anyone in college golf, and I would love to see them get that opportunity."

Geyer echoed the confidence of his coach.

"We want to prove that we are the best team in the WCC, and then we

want to make it to the NCAA Championships," he said. "Once we get there, we will stride towards making it to match-play."

"We know that once we make it to match-play, anything can happen," he added. "We can beat any team in the country on any given day if we play well."

The three-day WCC Championship tournament begins on April 15.

## Moraga Baseball Association Box Scores

Submitted by Jin Meng

Mustang Division

March 16

Yankees 17, Giants 6

Giants Highlights: Joshua Fleming 2-for-3, 1 Run, 2B and Max Weaver 2-for-3, 2 Runs, 3B, HR.

Yankees Highlights: Michael Kikugawa 3-for-3, 3 Runs, JT Clarke 3-for-4, 3 Runs, 2B, Evan Yabu 3-for-3, 2 Runs, and Ben Oxendine 2-for-3, 1 Run, 2B.

March 9

Cardinals 16, Giants 11

Giants Highlights: Luca Frippiat 3-for-3, 2 Runs, RBI, BB, 3B, Xander Goldman 2-for-4, Run, 2 RBI, 3B, and Charlie Revelos 2-for-3, with an outstanding catch in right field.

Cardinals Highlights: Shane Nelson 3-for-3, 2 Runs, 2 RBI, 3B, Sam McGonigle 1-for-2, 3 Runs, 2 RBIs, BB, Michael Coane 2-for-4, Run, and Jack Nunn 2-for-3, Run, 3 RBI.

Yankees 8, Red Sox 2

Red Sox Highlights: Becker 1-for-2, 1 Run and Avenal 1-for-2, 1 Run.

Yankees Highlights: Casey Linden 3-for-3, 2 Runs, 2 2B, JT Clarke 3-for-3, 2 Runs, 3B, and Ben Oxendine 2-for-3, 2 Runs, 2 2B.

March 2

Cardinals 13, Yankees 12

Cardinals Highlights: Nick Fitzpatrick 1-for-2, 2 Runs, 2 RBIs, HR, Nate Powers 1-for-2, Run, 3 RBI, 2B, Shane Nelson 1-for-2, 2 Runs, 2B, and Jack Erickson-King 1-for-2, 2 RBI, 2B.

Yankees Highlights: Casey Linden 3-for-3, 3 Runs, 4 RBI, HR, 3B, Alex Clare 3-for-3, 3 Runs, RBI, 2B, Xavier Esquer 1-for-3, Run, 2 RBI, 2B, Michael Kikugawa 1-for-4, Run, RBI, 2B

## Mats Stay Perfect



Luke Bohuslav

Photos Ohlen Alexander

Peter Martin

The Miramonte boys' tennis team has continued its perfect streak, improving to 18-0 overall and 8-0 in the DFAL. One of its recent wins came against cross-town rival Campolindo on March 28.

The Mats pulled out the 6-3 victory, winning Singles 1-5 and doubles 3.

Continuing the friendly rivalry at the No. 1 Singles spot, senior Luke Bohuslav beat sophomore Tilden Oliver 6-3, 6-3 for the second time this season. Peter Martin beat Nick Elliott 6-0, 6-0 and freshman Alex Hwang also won his match for the Mats 6-2, 6-0.

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## DFAL All-League

### Wrestling

Miramonte:

132 Alex Jang First Team  
120 Josh Lopez Second Team  
285 Leo Zepada Honorable Mention

Campolindo:

120 Grant Smith First Team  
152 Eric Oeth First Team  
170 Jackson Wiley Second Team  
220 Sam Gelmis Honorable Mention

Acalanes:

138 Andrew Nakahara First Team  
132 Brian Liliestien Second Team  
138 Andrew Nakahara Second Team

### Boys' Soccer

Miramonte:

John Warrington First Team  
Oliver Chew Second Team  
Nathan Evans Honorable Mention  
Michael Akay Honorable Mention  
Kyle Visher Honorable Mention

Campolindo:

Kian Maghsoodnia First Team  
Ryan Donat First Team  
Seth Kofman Second Team  
Gus Keeble Second Team  
Kyle Gavce Honorable Mention  
Preston Kilwien Honorable Mention  
Jack Price Honorable Mention

Acalanes:

Dan Glascock Most Valuable Player  
Eric Rogstad Most Valuable Defensive Player

Ben Croze First Team  
Graham Lindgren First Team  
Max Mirner First Team  
Marko Helfrich Second Team  
Nick Warren Second Team  
Luc Van Oss Second Team  
Lenny Adkerson Honorable Mention  
Nick Lee Honorable Mention  
Malaak Hamzeh Honorable Mention

### Girls' Soccer

Miramonte:

Megan Reid First Team  
Mali Tehany First Team  
Kristina Pearce Second Team  
Sophie Fuller Second Team  
Jane Fessenden Second Team

Ashley Kawaguchi Honorable Mention  
Natalie Condon Honorable Mention  
Madeline Cuyler Honorable Mention

Campolindo:

Julia Reshke Most Valuable Player  
Emily Orwig Most Valuable Player (Offensive)

Lauren Petite First Team  
Samantha Vankoll First Team  
Shannon Stabler First Team  
Emily Melkonian Second Team  
Sophie Leksan Second Team  
AJ Moragan Honorable Mention  
Jessica Tuan Honorable Mention  
Bridget Coleman Honorable Mention

Acalanes:

Kaitlin McGee First Team  
Becca Bostwick Second Team  
Erin Bishop Second Team  
Maddie Wheeler Honorable Mention  
Katharine Torchio Honorable Mention  
Lexie Silva Honorable Mention

### Boys' Basketball

Miramonte:

Kiran Shastri First Team  
Joey Goodreault First Team  
Drew Anderson Honorable Mention

Campolindo:

Matt O'Reilly First Team  
Justin Dunn Second Team  
Chris Hansen Honorable Mention

Acalanes:

Buster Souza Second Team  
Matt Thomas Honorable Mention

### Girls' Basketball

Miramonte:

Carly Gill Most Valuable Player  
Bree Alford First Team  
Megan Reid First Team  
Sabrina Ionescu Second Team  
Uriah Howard Second Team  
Keana Delos Santos Honorable Mention  
Allison Miller Honorable Mention

Campolindo:

Ashley Ewing First Team  
Laura Hickey First Team  
Courtney Seyranian Honorable Mention

Acalanes:

Jamie Jacobs Honorable Mention  
Marie Paladino Honorable Mention

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