

Summer Basketball Champs

Submitted by Eric Yabu



Top row, from left: Bryson Lew, Jackson Steele, Jacob Ryerson, Nick Cariquitan, Adam Iwata; bottom row: Jalen Tom, Evan Yabu, Kimo Okamura, Nicholas Meng. Photo Tina Mori

The 5th-6th grade Broncos hung on to edge the Bulldogs to capture the Lafayette Summer Basketball league championship 38-35 on July 29. After scoring the first eight points of the game, the Broncos main-

tained that margin until the five-minute mark of the fourth quarter. The regular season champion Bulldogs then made one final push, cutting the margin to three before missing a game-tying three-pointer in the waning seconds.

Junior Olympians Medal

Submitted by Brian Wentzel and Graham Westphal



Top row, from left: Coach Bennett Indart, Bella Wentzel (Lafayette), Christina Crum (Moraga), Ali Bamberger, Lauren Indart, Alex Brown, head coach John Roemer; bottom row: Brooke Westphal (Lafayette), Jewel Roemer, Sydney Milham, Apurva Oak (Orinda), Nina Munson (Moraga), Morgan Lewis, Julia Laurland, Jenna Seaman; not pictured: Lexi Rowell (Lafayette). Photo provided

Diablo Water Polo Club's 12U girls' team took home the silver medal at the 2013 USA Water Polo Junior Olympic Championships held in early August in Orange County. The team, coached by Bennett Indart and John Roemer, defeated United Water Polo Club 10-4 in the semi-final on Sunday morning to face Santa Barbara in the championship game. Santa Barbara beat Diablo 7-2 for the gold.

The girls also won the girls U14 division at the Santa Cruz Classic water polo tournament

July 12. They breezed by the first two games and won the final match 6-2. The USA Water Polo Junior Olympic Championships is the largest age group water polo tournament in the country. This year, over 500 teams with over 9,000 athletes competed at the tournament.

Diablo Water Polo was founded by Olympian Maureen O'Toole-Purcell and the program's alumni include Olympians Maggie and Jessica Steffens.

Lamorinda Divers Top Podium

Submitted by Steve Sherman



The 52nd annual Sherman Invitational Diving Meet was held July 27. Morgan Matranga finished first in the girls' 16-18. Asher Lichtig finished second among the senior boys.

Morgan Matranga (left) from Moraga wearing her gold medal with other top finishers. Photo provided

Upset City

Information provided by John Greenblatt and Nicholas Yeh



The Heritage Bank of Commerce Open Tennis Championships encourages competition between professional and amateur players. On Aug. 7, 11-year-old Katie Volynets of Walnut Creek defeated No. 2 Xan Riley of Pennsylvania 7-5, 6-3. Riley was a favorite to win the tournament.

In the quarterfinals, Volynets lost to No. 5 Kelly Chui, 6-4, 6-1.

Volynets began playing tennis when she was 5 years old and is now taking professional lessons under Mark Orwig at Moraga Country Club.

Katie Volynets

Photo Nick Yeh

Lamorinda United Girls Summer Success

Submitted by Corinna Sassano



U17 team Photos provided

Lamorinda United clubs had a successful summer season. The Lamorinda United 95 U17 girls' team won the 2013 National Premier League Champions Cup in Colorado in July. The U18 girls reached the quarterfinals of the 2013 Surf Cup in San Diego. The U13 Navy girls earned second in the premier division of the Pleasanton RAGE Girls Soccer Club tour-

namment in August.

Finally, the U15 girls won the College Showcase tournament in Pleasanton in mid-July. The team defeated South Valley 1-0 and Black Diamond SC 2-1, and tied Patedores 2-2 to reach the championship. In the finals, Lamorinda defeated Select Cities 3-1.



U18 team



U15 team

Submitted by Corinna Sassano and Marcia Holbrook

The Lamorinda United U13 Navy girls' team won the Santa Cruz Breakers Soccer Tournament on August 3-4. The girls played four games over two days to claim the championship. They opened Saturday with a 0-0 tie against the Danville Mustangs and then came

back strong in the afternoon, beating El Dorado 5-0.

They kept up the energy on Sunday by beating Pleasanton 4-1 to advance to the final against Eureka. They beat Eureka 4-0 to claim the title.



U13 team

A Bay Area Bomber

Submitted by Liz Haughey



Bay Area Bombers Baseball Academy proudly announces Will Haughey of Orinda as a member of the USA team participating in the Latin American Baseball Classic tournament competing in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic in August.

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