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LMYA Soccer Champions

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Team Barcelona defeated the Quakes in the LMYA 7th-8th grade boys' finals on Nov. 16 by a score of 4-2.

Barcelona's Grant Malmquist scored just minutes into the game assisted by a cross from Daniel Dinnerman. Several minutes later, Roberto Natho banged in a shot from outside the goal box to put Barcelona up 2-0. Sebastian Varela then scored from the left wing. In the closing seconds of the first half, the Quakes' Ian Archer dribbled the ball around several defenders and scored a left-footed goal just before the whistle blew.

The Quakes took that momentum into the second half and played with a lot of heart, scoring another goal on a corner kick from Andrew Torres to Simon Oh. Barcelona's defense stepped up and stopped the Quakes' attack - Robbie Goldman and Karl-Erik Mills led the defensive charge for Barcelona, along with keeper Zachary Varela. Zach Goldman sealed the victory with a goal late in the final period.

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