

SPORTS LAMORINDA'S LOCAL SPORTS



WINTER SPORT ALL-DFAL TEAMS

Saint Mary's Men Fall in Opening Round

By Caitlin Graveson



Matthew Dellavedova

Photo Tod Fierner

The Gaels finished an impressive season with a loss in the opening round of the NCAA tournament. The Friday, March 16 match-up against the #10 Purdue Boilermakers proved to be too tough for #7 Saint Mary's as they fell, 69-72.

"It wasn't lack of competitiveness or effort, just didn't go our way down the stretch," said head coach Randy Bennett. Bennett's NCAA tournament record falls to 4-6.

Saint Mary's shot the season's second worst percentage from the three point line at 16 percent. They only notched four threes.

"They played good defense, but we didn't knock down our shots either," said junior guard Matthew Dellavedova. With eight assists in the game, Dellavedova claimed the school's second highest single season assist record at 212, passing Mickey McConnell.

The Gaels took their only lead of

the game at 69-68 with 44.2 seconds to play, but Saint Mary's could not hold on to win it.

"Everyone cares and puts time in on the floor, off the floor, so when you lose one like that, when you're up with a couple of seconds left, it really hurts," senior forward Rob Jones said of the loss. Jones, ranked fourth in the NCAA for double-doubles, recorded his 20th of the season with 23 points and 14 boards.

"I'm just glad Coach Bennett gave me a chance to be a part of Saint Mary's and everyone on this team, that I got to know them so well," Jones transferred to SMC from the University of San Diego.

"If it didn't sting, it wouldn't be any fun," Bennett said. "Some guys get to return, but those three seniors don't. We were good because our three seniors gave us tremendous leadership this year."

Sport	School	Award	Student
Boys' Basketball	Miramonte	First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Kiran Shastri Joey Goodreault Ross Anderson
	Acalanes	First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	James Griffin Noah Orlik Kevin Huber Buster Souza
	Campolindo	Most Valuable Player First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Griffin Piatt Jack Evans John Schmitz Justin Dunn
Girls' Basketball	Miramonte	First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Janine Loutzenhiser Devon McDonald Megan Reid Carly Gil Breanna Alford Taylor Kizziee
	Acalanes	First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Sophie Taylor Laura Hickey Ashley Ewing Mallory Brown
	Campolindo	First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	
Boys' Soccer	Miramonte	First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Nick Bachu Mike Worthington Taro Kyllonen Ryan Dias Kyle Visher
	Acalanes	Most Valuable Defensive Player First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Jacob Carroll Dan Glascock Austen Grassini Aidan Maguire Jackson Foote Bryan Berlier Austin deBack Kevin Park Eric Rogstad Max Mirner Graham Lindgren
	Campolindo	Most Valuable Player First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Sam Palano Nick Palano Harlan Raine Kian Maghsoodnia Rodrigo Diaz-Valdes Gus Keeble Ryan Donat Cristian Antezana
Girls' Soccer	Miramonte	First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Megan Reid Sophie Fuller Coco Pearce Jane Fessenden Kristen Chan Tasia Robbins
	Acalanes	First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Kaitlyn McGee Callie Goodman Annie Beliveau Katherine Tottle Becca Bostwick Erin Bishop
	Campolindo	Most Valuable Player First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Sophie Leskan Julia Reshke Kelly Hilk Samantha Vankoll Lauren Petite Devon Bruzzone Jessica Tuan Gracie Stausser
Wrestling	Miramonte	Second Team Honorable Mention	Micah Spaulding (182) Ben Warren (106) Adam Kohr (113) Alex Jang (126) Kai Shimoko (132)
	Acalanes	Second Team	Andrew Nakahara (138) Andrew Mesetz (160) Aaron Shaffer (220)
	Campolindo	Honorable Mention First Team Second Team Honorable Mention	Jackson Hagglun (106) Grant Smith (113) Alex Mirante (138) Chris Wellbrook (182) Wesley Caspillo (120) Brendon Stryker (126) Eric Oeth (145) Danny Fox (195) Jack Simmons (258) Jackson Wiley (170)

Cougars Play in Wildcat Tournament

Submitted by Mike Alderete



From left: Campolindo sophomores Matt Klein and Matt Alderete Photo provided

The Campolindo Cougars varsity golf team took eighth place on Monday, March 19th in the prestigious 35th Annual Marin Catholic Wildcat Invitational golf tournament. Sporting a young team of three sophomores, a freshman, and a junior, the Cougars competed in a field of 26 top

high school golf teams in Northern California and against more than 125 golfers. Leading the way for the Cougars, Matt Alderete and Matt Klein shot 76 and 77, respectively, on the Par 71 Meadow Club in Marin County.

Lamorinda U14 Prep for Start of Season

Submitted by Mary Brown



From left: Hugh Olson, Manny Pestana, Payson Newman, Kai Weyland, Alex Kuhtarov, Charlie Delamore, Matthew Ringquist, Tom Collins, Ben Nash Photo provided

After finishing last season at the NorCal State Cup semifinals, the newly formed Lamorinda Soccer Club U14 boys' team will have their first game of the spring season on Saturday, March 24th.

With all the fields closed due to weather the week of March 13th, the team decided to go for a run in the rain at the Lafayette Reservoir.

Lamorinda Varsity Gold Season Update

Submitted by Doug McKinley



Lamorinda (black jerseys) with St. Maximilian Kolb.

Photo Karen Drinkwater

In accordance with the rugby tradition of teams touring foreign countries, the Lamorinda team recently hosted a Canadian team. St. Maximilian Kolb (Toronto) stayed with rugby players' families in early March.

The teams played each other on March 10. Lamorinda won handily, 56-15.

Lamorinda is 4-0 in league play. During Spring Break, Lamorinda will tour Argentina and stay with the Argentinean players.