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Gaels Off to 4-0 Start

Submitted by Tony Samaniego



he Saint Mary's rugby team completed a five-day tour of Arizona, playing University of Arizona on Jan. 17 and Arizona State on Jan. 19. The Gaels have not played any Arizona schools in nearly a decade, but the team reminded the desert schools of the strong rugby played in the Bay

SMC went up 26-3 in the first half against the Arizona Wildcats. The Gaels maintained their intensity in the second half to finish the game 45-3. In the second game, the "A" side dominated the Wildcats 76-10.

Saint Mary's then traveled to Phoenix where they beat Arizona State. The Gaels finished the first game 40-10, before the "A" side defeated the Sun Devils 59-19.

SMC is now 4-0 after early wins against San Francisco Golden Gate and Diablo Men's clubs.

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LMSC Wins Title

Submitted by Corinna Sassano



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won the State Cup in their division on Dec. 15.

During the first half of the champi-

he LMSC girls' U12 White team onship game, the girls were not able to create scoring opportunities. However, they turned it around in the second half, scoring four goals to win the game and the title.

Young Qualify for Olympic Pool **Submitted by Greg Davis**



From left: Mia Grillo, Kierra Krawec, Molly Davis, Gabriella Ortale, Tai Fox, Alex Topping, Joseph Gratol and Yohannes Kalonji (not pictured: Samantha DeVecchi) Photo provided

nine of its players who have been selected to the Cal North Olympic Development Program (ODP) state player pools. The selected players represent the best players from the Northern California region within their age groups. Next, the athletes will compete within the state pool to be named to the US Youth Soccer Region IV player pool.

The players representing Cal Magic: Molly Davis (Lafayette, '99G), Samantha DeVecchi

alifornia Magic Soccer Club congratulates (Orinda, '99G), Tai Fox (Orinda, '00B), Joseph Gratol ('99B), Mia Grillo (Orinda, '99G), Yohannes Kalonji ('99B), Kierra Krawec (Lafayette, '99G), Gabriella Ortale (Lafayette, '01G), and Alex Topping (Lafayette, '00B).

The Olympic Development Program is a national process for identifying and developing the best youth soccer players. The process promotes players to the U.S. National Teams, the Youth World Cup, and the Olympics.

Magic Versus Magic

Submitted by Greg Davis



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season, the California Magic U9 girls split into two teams (Magic teams made it to the championship

t the end of a successful soccer game. Magic took home first and second in the division.

Coach Tony Neto said, "I am very Blue and Magic White) to play in the proud of the girls. Our team plays Diablo Valley Futsal League. Both with a lot of passion and has a great team spirit."

CYO Team Cheers on the Gaels

Submitted by Marty Ruane



women's basketball team on Jan. 18. The Gaels defeated the Loyola Marymount Lions 78-74 in an ex-

he St. Perpetua seventh grade girls' basketball citing game. The CYO team scrimmaged during halfteam took a trip to check out the Saint Mary's time and had the chance to meet the SMC team after the game.