

Local Sports News

## **YOUTH ROUNDUP: Spikers earn Junior Olympics berths**

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### **Westmont's 'Day with the Warriors' set for Feb. 5**

Three boys teams from the Santa Barbara Volleyball club earned berths in the open division at this summer's Junior Olympics in Louisville, Ky., by finishing among the top eight in a qualifying tournament last weekend in Anaheim.

Coach Donal McGraw's 16-Gold squad finished third out of 48 teams; the 15-Blue, coached by Jay Hanseth and Bart Kowalski, placed sixth out of 16 teams and Colin Robertson's 14-1 squad got eighth out of 36 teams.

"I congratulate all the players for their great performances over the weekend and their hard work throughout the season," said Ricardo doMonte, the club director.

Other club results: 14-Gold placed 15th; 14-Blue, 33rd; 16-Blue, 44th; 18-1, 29th; 18-Gold, 41st.

DoMonte said the other SBVC teams will go to the Junior Olympics and compete in the club division.

### **GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**

The Santa Barbara VC's 13-Gold team went 2-1 to win its pool in tournament competition at Cerritos College. The team's only loss was to San Diego's 14-2 squad in three tight games -- the third game score was 16-14.

In the 14 age group, SBVC's 14-1 squad finished second in its pool with a 2-1 record. The 14-Gold team bounced back from an opening loss and won its final two matches to finish second in pool play.

The club's 13-1 team finished third in a strong Gold Division pool with a 1-2 record.



## **BOYS GYMNASTICS**

Ethan Davis notched two second-place finishes on individual events and Tyler Howell was a runnerup in the all-around at the Santa Barbara Oceanfront gymnastics meet at UCSB's Rob Gym.

Howell, competing in the Level 8, age 13-15 group, scored 44.80 in the all-around. He also took second in the parallel bars with a score of 7.0.

Davis finished second in the rings (8.20) and high bar (8.30) in the 12-13 age bracket of Level 6.

The boys are part of the Spirals Gymnastics Foundation. The meet was a benefit for the UCSB men's gymnastics club.

*Ethan Davis of Santa Barbara placed second in the rings at the Oceanfront meet.*

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## **BASKETBALL**

Westmont College will conduct its annual "Day with the Warriors" on Sat., Feb. 5 at Murchison Gym.

The day-long event is for boys and girls in Grades 2-8. It begins with a basketball clinic from 1-4 p.m., followed by a pregame barbeque, Q & A with the players and coaches of the Westmont men's and women's teams and free admission for the entire family to the Pt. Loma game (women 5:30; men, 7:30 p.m.) on Saturday.

The entry fee of \$40 includes a mini-Warrior ball, media guide and autograph session. For information, call 565-6107.

## **GOLF**

Shane Lebow of Santa Barbara shot 74 and 77 to tie for third in the 12-14 division of a California Junior Tour golf tournament on Jan. 15-16 in Hemet.

Lebow's total of 9-over 151 was eight shots behind the winner, Alex Kang of Oak Park, who shot 71-72--143.

· The Russ Morrison Jr. Golf Cancer Awareness Tournament is set for Feb. 12 at the Santa Barbara Golf Club.

The four-man scramble is a fund-raiser for Peter Maile, who's battling cancer, and the Russ Morrison Junior Golf Program. Maile is the nephew of SBGC head pro Richard Chavez.

Sixty players have already signed up, according to Chavez. For information, call the course at 687-7087 or Lani Medina (683-0588, e-mail: medina683@aol.com).