

BEVERLY HILLS ATHLETIC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WINTER 2011 SPORTS NEWSLETTER

Girls Soccer

The 2011-2012 girls soccer team finished the season with an 8-1-1 league record, culminating in the Normans being crowned Ocean League Champions, ending Santa Monica's 8 year reign. This was the programs first league title since 2003. The season was highlighted by two dramatic overtime game winning goals by Ashley Aviram against SAMO. Aviram tied the single season scoring record with 26 goals and 16 assists. Junior captain Kaela Reisfelt made her presence felt, dominating the midfield adding 10 goals and 3 assists. The Normans defense was rock solid yielding only 5 goals in 10 Ocean League matches. Senior goalkeeper Ida Trevino and junior sweeper Elena Rust made it nearly impossible for the opponents to get good scoring opportunities. After winning league, the Normans went on to beat LA Baptist in the 1st round of the CIF playoffs, however, they were unlucky in the 2nd round of the playoffs, losing in Penalty Kicks to La Reina after 100 minutes of a 1-1 tie. As disappointing as it was to end the season with a tough loss, the Normans made history and hope to defend their crown next season. The Normans were rewarded with several accolades after the season. They were given an all time high 8 all-league member nominations, and head coach and Beverly alum Ryan Franks and his staff were named coach of the year for the 2nd straight season.

Girls Water Polo

After losing three starters to graduation, the girls water polo squad fought its way to a 13-15 overall record with the help of a solid senior class as well as a handful of players brand new to the varsity level. In the field, the team was led by the terrific play of seniors Emily Grubman, Jenny Partida, Celeste Bean, and Tammy Katz (who earned All-Ocean League honors.) On the defensive side, top-notch goalie and team MVP Lorrain Oill proved to be a standout shot stopper and kept Beverly within striking range throughout the season. Several Varsity newcomers provided a spark to the water polo team on both offense and defense, including juniors Emma Gregory and April Banayan and sophomore Alli Kahn. Despite falling short of their goal of reaching the CIF playoffs, the girls are extremely happy with how they competed all year and will look back on the season with great pride and fondness.

Boys Soccer

The 2011-12 boys soccer team had an excellent season finishing with 12 wins, 6 losses, and 7 ties. The Norman booters earned 2nd place in the Ocean League with a record of 6 wins, 1 loss and 3 ties. The team lost in the playoffs to Sierra Vista 2-1 on a golden goal in the second overtime. Seven members of the team were selected All-Ocean League with senior Angel Jaramillo being recognized as the most outstanding offensive player. Jaramillo was selected first team All-CIF, senior Nick Marmureanu to the second team and junior Elijah Lichtenberg to the third team. Seven starters and fifteen players overall will be returning for the 2012-13 season. Coach Rappaport earned his 250th win in his 24 years as the head coach of the boys' soccer program. He also coached his 600th game for the Normans.

Wrestling

The team finished another strong season with several "firsts" including an excellent season record of 17 – 5. Wrestlers medaled in every tournament they attended and brought home several team trophies as well, including 2nd Place at the Chaminade Turkey Duals, second place in the Westlake Invitational, and second place in the Warrior Invitational. The Norman wrestlers also received 6th place in the 36-team Best in the Valley. The team had four very senior captains this year: Dylan Lojac, Ralph Yun, Matt Kohanbash, and Marshall Stevens. The seniors were especially strong in victories against league rivals South Torrance and SAMO. This was the first time in over 30 years that BHHS won two league duals (last year was the first time they won one league dual). With those four leaders, the team was able to get their first 3rd place finish in Pioneer League, as well as three league champs for the first time (previous mark was only one league champ in a year). Nine wrestlers qualified for CIF: Matt Kohanbash, Beau Shane, Dylan Lojac (who also earned 3rd in CIF and qualified for Masters), Ralph Yun, Nick Sands, Bram Geiderman, Marshall Stevens, Axel Pinotti, Jullian Jackson. The season ended with all three pre-season team goals being met, a winning record (17-5), at least two league wins, and at least two league champs.

Girls Basketball

It was a rebuilding year for the Lady Normans basketball team as most of last year's team graduated. The team this year was relatively young, with one freshman, two sophomores and a couple of juniors. However, through perseverance, the ladies achieved a final record of 10-19 which availed the team an opportunity to compete in the CIF playoffs where the girls played hard but lost a tough game at Norwalk High School. While the team's league record has been better, they were able to beat rival beat Morningside twice. Seniors Debbie Reyhan and Serena Shlomof led the team throughout the season. Freshman Natasha Allen was voted All-League second team by the coaches of the Ocean League. Junior Dorsa Mehrannia was voted team MVP at the team banquet. Seniors Tiffany Yadegar and Sydney Impellizzeri-Baines were an integral part of the team and contributed throughout the season. Coach Braddell looks forward to next year as the JV and freshman/sophomore teams had successful seasons.

Boys Basketball

The Norman boys basketball team had an impressive season. The 2011-2012 varsity team reached the CIF Section semi finals where they lost to the Section champions, Pasadena Bulldogs. This was first time the Beverly Hills basketball program advanced this far since 1969. Not only were there tremendous team accomplishments, but there were individual honors handed out as well. Austin Mills was named to the Division 3 All-CIF team and was the Ocean League's Most Outstanding Player. Mike Lanier and Brodrick Smith were named to the All League Team. It was a great season. Coach Jarvis Turner and his staff are grateful to all of the Beverly Hills supporters for their tremendous generosity in helping the season become a success.