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## Lamorinda baseball and softball playoffs

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All three Lamorinda baseball teams made the NCS playoffs and all played their first-round games at home.

Acalanes, eight seeded, came up short getting shut out by San Ramon Valley 6-0, finishing their season with a 16-9 record.

The No. 1 seeded Miramonte won their opening playoff game against Albany 9-0 behind the dominant pitching of senior Bill Duby.

The Matadors came up short in the second game against San Marin 6-4. After falling behind 5-1 in the fifth inning, coach Kevin Hodges called the team together to "get them to keep their composure." The team responded with three runs but a line drive double play ended the inning and with the tying run on base in the bottom of the seventh, the game ended with Charlie Mollahan

being thrown out attempting to steal third. Regardless, Hodges came away "proud of the team," which ended the season with an 18-6 record.

Campolindo, seeded second, won both their home games giving up a total of two hits to make it into the semifinals. Mike Crews threw a two hitter as the Cougars defeated Sonoma Valley 6-1 as every starter for Campolindo had at least one hit with Will Bishop and Ryan Regan getting two hits each.

Campolindo (14-10) won their fifth straight game shutting out St. Joseph-Alameda 6-0 in their quarterfinal game. Will Bishop gave up no hits, striking out eight and walking three. Second baseman Trevin Kroichick preserved the no-hitter with a terrific, leaping catch to end the sixth inning.

As with the baseball teams, the Lamorinda softball teams all made the NCS playoffs as wellm though each school had to play their opening games on the road.

Acalanes lost their game to Terra Linda (San Ramon) by a score of 11-2. The Dons finished their season with a 9-14 record.

Miramonte, in the playoffs for the first time since 2014, travelled to Sebastapol to play Analy High School and was on the short end of a 20-0 game, finishing with a 5-11 record, going 4-5 after beginning the season 1-6.

Campolindo won their first playoff game over Encinal High School 6-1 behind the 4-hit pitching of Tara McAteer and the hitting of Kelly Gagnon and Abbie Lee.

The Cougars (13-7) lost their next game at Marin Catholic by a score of 12-2. Katelyn Poole, who ended the season with a .607 batting average and five home runs, had two hits in the game.



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