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Campo Defeats Acalanes in Moraga

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Campo's Adam Mancebo goes for the lay-up surrounded by Acalanes defenders (L to R) Zach Bloom, Steve Maze, and Tyler Caldwell Photo Doug Kohen

The Campolindo boys and girls basketball teams concluded the first half of the Diablo Foothill Athletic League season by beating Acalanes last Friday. The Cougar girls beat the Lady Dons 56-42, while the Cougar boys hung on for a 52-49 victory.

In the girls' game, Campolindo jumped off to a 32-18 halftime lead and were not really challenged the rest of the way. Amanda Forshay led the team with six steals and added 12 points while Annie Ward scored 19 to lead all scorers, including hitting five 3-point baskets. Coach Clay Kallam was able to liberally substitute in the second half. Ashlie Neff led Acalanes with 13.

On the boys' side, Campolindo scored early and often, holding off a furious Acalanes comeback to win. In the first period, Campo opened up a 17-11 lead, led by Chris Bassett-Bouchard's eight points, including two 3-point shots. The Cougars padded the lead in the second and took a 29-18 lead into intermission.

In the third period, the Cougars increased the lead, and early in the fourth led by 15.

Then back came the Dons.

The Cougars committed several fouls, allowing the Dons to get to the free throw line where they finished 10 of 14. Campo led by six with less than 15 seconds to play when Acalanes' David Gomez hit a three from the corner.

Acalanes fouled Campo. After Campo missed both free throws and with less than two seconds to go, Chris Dyer deflected a desperation shot by the Dons, and

Campo had the win.

The Dons' Steve Maze led all scorers with 14 points before fouling out. Chris Dyer finished with 12 points, seven rebounds and seven assists to lead a balanced Cougar attack. Kellen Ito added nine rebounds.

The first half of the DFAL basketball season is now complete with the three Lamorinda boys' teams, Miramonte, Campolindo, and Acalanes in 1st, 2nd and 4th place, respectively, among the seven teams in the league. On the girls' side, Miramonte, Campolindo and Acalanes are 2nd, 3rd and 5th, respectively.



Lady Cougar Rose Fruci takes it to the hoop Photo Doug Kohen Reach the reporter at: info@lamorindaweekly.com

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