

Campolindo Men's Water Polo
Varsity Coverage from [Contra Costa Times \(2009\)](#)

9/2/09

Campolindo 11, Clayton Valley 6

Clayton Valley 1 1 1 3— 6

Campolindo 3 5 0 3— 11

Scoring: CV — Lopez 2, Adams, Blatter, Bredell, Johnson; Cam — Jensen 5, Strausser 33, Kingery 2, Kennedy. Saves: Anderson (CV) 10, Fowler (Cam) 5, Price (Cam) 4. Records: Clayton Valley 0-1; Campolindo 1-0.

9/12/-13/09 John Schmidt Tournament

Quarterfinals: Campolindo (Jensen 2 goals, Strausser 2 goals) 6, Mountain View 3

Also:

Campolindo (Kingery 2 goals) 4, Clovis 3; Monte Vista (Rahn 3 goals, Robertson 3 goals, Snapp 3 goals) 10, Campolindo 4.

Friday:

Campolindo (Jensen 3 goals) 7, Rio Americano 5; Serra 3, Campolindo 2.

9/16/09

Campolindo 14, Marin Catholic 6

Marin Catholic 1 2 1 2— 6

Campolindo 2 4 7 1— 14

Scoring: MC — Patino 3, Reizman 2, Rotla; C — Kingery 4, Strausser 4, Jensen 3, Jang, Kennedy, Ratchford. Assists: C — Strausser 3, Jensen 2, Kingery 2, Stromberg 2, Price. Saves: Price (C) 13, Peguero (MC) 7.

9/24/09

Wednesday Campolindo 8, Sir Francis Drake 6

Campolindo 2 1 2 3— 8

Drake 1 1 3 1— 6

Scoring: C — Strausser 6, Kingery 2. D — Jarrett 3, Euphrat 2, Justice. Saves: Fowler (C) 16, Sale (SFD) 8. Record: Campolindo 6-2.

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9/30/09

DFAL Acalanes 13, Campolindo 5

Acalanes 5 3 1 4— 13

Campolindo 0 1 3 1— 5

Scoring: A — Kisner 5, Hoversten 3, Dietrich 2, Kennedy, Kimball, Cullen; C — Jensen 2, Miller, Ratchford, Strausser. Saves: Fowler (C) 6, Hill (A) 2, Clemons (A) 2. Records: Acalanes 9-2, 1-0 DFAL; Campolindo 7-6, 0-1.

10/7/09

Miramonte 13, Campolindo 7: The Matadors, who have reloaded since graduating all six field starters from last year's North Coast Section championship team, scored on three of their first four possessions and led by as much as 11-1 in the third period in this DFAL match. John Holland scored four of his game-high five goals in the first half to lead the Matadors (8-0, 2-0 DFAL). Jack Ryner added three scores for Miramonte.

The Cougars (7-7, 0-2) scored six goals in the final 10 minutes of the match after Miramonte had already started subbing liberally.

Stephen Kingery, J.D. Ratchford and Jeffrey Strausser led Campolindo with two goals each.

10/7/09

DFAL Miramonte 13, Campolindo 7

Campolindo 1 0 2 4— 7

Miramonte 5 1 5 2— 13

Scoring: C — Kingery 2, Strausser 2, Ratchford 2, Jensen; M — Holland 5, J. Ryner 3, Higgins 2, Fabian, Fuller, Taapken. Saves: Sibley (M) 6, Fowler (C) 4, Price (C) 4, Barker (M) 3

10/9/09

NONLEAGUE Northgate 10, Campolindo 6

Northgate 4 0 3 3— 10

Campolindo 0 0 3 3— 6

Scoring: N — Dossa 3, Williams 3, Gordon 2, Erdiakoff, Platt; C — Strausser 3, Jensen, Kingery, Ratchford. Saves: Gard (N) 9, Price (N) 6. Records: Northgate 12-4; Campolindo 7-8.

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10/10/09

Nonleague Campolindo 12, Palo Alto 3

Palo Alto 0 0 1 2— 3

Campolindo 2 3 4 3— 12

Scoring: PA — Rockwell, Smales, Zellinger; C — Kingery 6, Jensen 4, Ashby, Miller. Saves: Price (C) 13, Armitano (PA) 3. Records: Palo Alto 6-10, Campolindo 8-8.

10/14/09

DFAL Campolindo 22, Dougherty Valley 3

Dougherty Valley 1 1 0 1— 3

Campolindo 5 7 8 2— 22

Scoring: DV — Wang 2, Rim; C — Strausser 6, Kingery 5, Jensen 4, Jang 3, Ratchford 2, Miller, Stromberg. Saves: Price (C) 5, Bhatia (DV) 4. Records: Dougherty Valley 5-12; Campolindo 9-8.

10/19/09

Nonleague Campolindo 7, Washington 1

Washington 0 0 1 0— 1

Campolindo 2 2 2 3— 7

Scoring: W — Correla; Scoring: C — Kingery 2, Ratchford 2, Strausser 2. Assists: C- Strausser 3, Kingery 2, Fowler. Saves: Fowler (C) 15, Hughes (W) 11. Records: Washington 17-4, Campolindo 10-9.

10/21/09

Campolindo 9, Las Lomas 7: The Cougars defense, led by goalie Chance Fowler's 14 saves, frustrated the Knights early, and the offense did just enough to topple the Knights (2-2 DFAL).

Campolindo (2-2 DFAL) bolted out to a 5-0 lead at the half. Las Lomas responded with seven second-half goals, but it wasn't enough to overcome its slow start.

Stephen Kingery scored four goals for Campolindo and Thor Jensen added three.

Bryan Snyder led the Knights with three goals.

— Stephanie Hammon, correspondent

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Campolindo 9, Las Lomas 7

Las Lomas	0	0	4	3—	7
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Campolindo	1	4	2	2—	9
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at Campolindo HS

Scoring: L - B. Snyder 3, Sevilla 2, Burke, Sinkevich. C - Kingery 4, Jensen 3, Strausser 2.
Saves: Thomas (L) 8, Fowler (C) 14. Records: Las Lomas 16-7, 2-2 DFAL, Campolindo 11-9, 2-2.

10/23/09

Nonleague Campolindo 10, Rio Americano 6

Rio Americano	2	1	0	3—	6
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Campolindo	2	4	1	3—	10
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Scoring: RA — Neumann 3, Bond, Butterfield, McAllister; C — Kingery 5, Strausser 4, Ratchford. Saves: Fowler (C) 12, Storelli (RA) 3. Records: Rio Americano 15-10, Campolindo 12-9.

10/28/09

DFAL Campolindo 17, Alhambra 8

Alhambra	1	2	4	1—	8
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Campolindo	6	5	3	3—	17
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Scoring: A — Miller 3, Lucido 2, Farley, Randall, Weiss. C — Jensen 6, Strausser 6, Kingery 3, Kennedy, Stromberg. Assists: C — Strausser 10, Kingery 2, Jang, Kennedy, Ratchford. Saves: Lewis (A) 3, Fowler (C) 8, Price (C) 8. Records: Alhambra 11-12; Campolindo 13-9, 3-2 DFAL.

11/5/09

Contra Costa Sun By Stephanie Hammon

As with many teams in the process of rebuilding, it's been a season of ups and downs for the Campolindo High boys water polo team.

Recently, however, more has been going right than wrong for the Cougars.

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After taking third place in the most competitive water polo league in the section — the Diablo Foothill Athletic League — Campolindo received the No. 6 seed in the North Coast Section playoffs. The Cougars will start tournament play on Saturday against the winner of a first-round game between No. 11 California and No. 22 Heritage.

No. 6 was as high as Cougars head coach Ray Meadows estimated his team could be seeded, with the possibility of them falling all the way to No. 12.

The advantageous seed — set up by a 9-7 upset win over Las Lomas on Oct. 21 — gives the Cougars a better chance to continue their recent string of strong runs in the NCS tournament. Two years ago they made the finals and last season lost by a goal to De La Salle in the semifinals.

"It's been kind of an adjustment year for us, there are a lot of sophomores and juniors on the team," said Meadows, who lost 10 players and all but two starters from last year's team to graduation. "It's been kind of up and down, but we're consistently improving. With a young group you never know who is going to show up."

In that key win over Las Lomas, it was the Cougars' defense that showed up. In particular, it was the play of senior goalie,

Chance Fowler, who kept the Knights scoreless in the first half and finished the day with 17 saves.

Fowler, who's younger sister Gracie is the starting goalie for the Campolindo girls varsity team, anchors a young defense. The only other returning starter is Stephen Kingery, who is often the focus of opposing teams' top defender.

When Kingery is being slowed, a pair of underclassmen, along with junior co-captain Jeffrey Strausser, have taken over some of the scoring load. Sophomore Tor Jensen scored six goals in a win over Alhambra and three against Las Lomas, while freshman J.D. Ratchford is the first freshman to play on varsity since Meadows has been coaching the Cougars.

Though the amount of NCS experience on this year's team is low, Meadows said expectations for playoff success haven't been adjusted too much.

"I think the kids are still feeling some pressure to perform, especially Stephen and Chance who want to live up to the kind of reputation that Campo has and give back to where they've been," said Meadows. "They've shown that on a good day they're right there playing with the best teams and if they're not ready to go then they don't give themselves a chance against great teams."

11/10/09

De La Salle 11, Campolindo 6: Behind the scoring of Thomas Nelson and Nick Cooper, the host Spartans broke open an early 2-2 tie and never looked back. De La Salle (18-7) jumped out to a 2-0 lead after one period, but two goals by Tor Jensen helped Campolindo (14-11) draw even early in the second. The Spartans led 6-2 at the half and 8-4 after three.

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11/13/09

All-DFAL

MVP

Nick Hoversten (Aca)

First team

Matt Burke (LL), Nick Deaver, Joey Fabian, John Holland (Mira), Tor Jensen (Camp), Morgan Kennedy, Michael Kimble, Jake Kisner (Aca), Bryan Snyder (LL), Jon Sibley (Mira), Stephen Kingery (Camp)

Second Team

Joe Dietrich (Aca), Jeff Strausser, J.D. Ratchford (Camp), Ryan Higgins, Tim Fuller (Mira), Ryan Sevilla (LL), Ryan Miller (Alh), Doug Snyder, Tucker Angelo (LL), Evan Weiss (Alh), Chance Fowler (Camp), Tyler Hill (Aca)

Honorable Mention

Dominic Lucido (Alh), Cy Whitten, Andrew Linfoot (Aca), Alex Miller (Camp), Gurmaan Bhatia (DV), Ross Dautel (LL), Justin Hill (LL), Joey Aiello (DV), Stefan Knaack (DV), Charlie Wisner (Mira), Kyle Thomas (LL), Tanner Cullen (Aca)