Gottschalk MCAL Soccer Report

There Can Be Only One

In a time where schools can have multiple valedictorians, and in a time where State Championship games can end in a tie, how is it that a sport is not allowed to have Co-Players of the year despite a vote that is deadlocked three straight times?

Your answer; Bylaws. Why a bylaw is in place to prevent a kid from being recognized for athletic achievement is beyond me, but supposedly there is one. So if there is a tie again in the future, it will once again have to be broken.

So why is it that other sports have the means to recognize more than one player? Baseball and softball recognize a player and pitcher of the year. Is a pitcher not a player? Football has back of the year and lineman of the year, but don't they both play football?

In years past there have been Co-Players of they Year in other sports, yet now there is a rule to prevent such a supposed tragedy from happening again. And who loses out - A student-athlete that deserves the opportunity to be recognized for what they accomplished through hard work and dedication to their sport. It is a shame, and hopefully something will change sometime soon to allow two players to be honored if the vote deems it so.

Out With the Old; In With the New...

With the cyclical nature of High School sports it is always necessary for teams to replace players that were big contributors the year before. A few teams this year have the daunting task of replacing over 50% of the goals from the year before.

Here is a breakdown of the schools most in need of new stars to rise:

- **#4 San Marin -** Of the 15 goals scored in 2012, nine of the goals have graduated including seven from three-time leading scorer Nicole Roberts.
- **#3 Branson -** The NCS champion Bulls said good-bye to 16 of their 25 goals from last season. Darcy McFarlane led the team last year and will be counted on again this year to score for the Bulls.
- #2 **Tamalpais -** The returners from Tam accounted for only four goals last campaign.

 As stubborn as the Red-Tailed Hawk defense is, Coach Kennedy will need a new crop of goal scorers to emerge this season.
- **#1 Drake -** The Pirates boasted the third most potent offense in the league last year, scoring 26 goals. When they take the field this season the scorers of 22 of those goals will be nowhere to be found, making Drake the team most in need of goal scorers in 2013...

MCAL Coach Gathering - Mark Your Calendars

This year's gathering has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 19th. The festivities will once again take place at the Marin Brewing Company following the conclusion of the day's matches. See you all then...

VARSITY TABLE

Team	GP	W	L	Т	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Overall
Branson									
Drake									
Justin-Siena									
Marin Catholic									
Novato									
Redwood									
San Marin									
San Rafael									
Tamalpais									
Terra Linda									_

Matchday 1

Redwood v Justin-Siena (3/11) Tamalpais v Drake Novato v Branson Terra Linda v Marin Catholic San Rafael v San Marin

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Matchday 7

Marin Catholic v San Rafael Drake v Justin-Siena (3/22) Redwood v Tamalpais Novato v Terra Linda San Marin v Branson

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MCAL Playoffs

3rd v 6th 4th v 5th

1st v Lowest Seed 2nd v Highest Seed

League Leagers

Goals #	Assists	#	Points #
Game Winning Goals #	Shutouts	#	GK - GAA (Min. 7 GM) #
Player of the Match #	Team GPG	#	Team GAA #

JUNIOR VARSTIY TABLE

Team	GP	W	L	Т	GF	GA	GD	Pts
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Drake								
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MCAL COMBINED TABLE

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Drake					
Justin-Siena					
Marin Catholic					
Novato					
Redwood					
San Marin					
San Rafael					
Tamalpais	•				
Terra Linda			•	•	

A LOOK AHEAD AT THE NCS

(Analysis of the teams that will look to earn spots in the 16 team field)

<u>MCAL</u>	Overall Record	<u>Notes</u>	NCS Magic Number*
Branson	0-0-0		14
Drake	0-0-0		14
Justin-Siena	0-0-0		14
Marin Catholic	0-0-0		14
Novato	0-0-0		14
Redwood	0-0-0		14
San Marin	0-0-0		14
San Rafael	0-0-0		14
Tamalpais	0-0-0		14
Terra Linda	0-0-0		14
BCL Leagues	Overall Record	<u>Notes</u>	NCS Magic Number*

*2 pts for a win, 1 for a draw. Team needs to be .500 overall, in league, or in classification to be eligible.

Varsity Non-Conference Tracker							
Branson (0-0-0)	Drake (0-0-0)	Justin-Siena (0-0-0)					
2/27 v Making Waves 3/1 at Lowell 3/6 at Lick-Wilmerding 3/8 at University 3/11 v Head-Royce 3/25 v Marin Academy 4/5 v International	3/1 v Contra Costa Christian 3/5 at University 3/29 v Head-Royce 4/19 v International	2/15 at Marin Academy 2/20 at Vintage 2/22 at Lick-Wilmerding 2/26 v Head-Royce 2/27 v American Canyon 3/1 at International 3/5 at Christian Brothers					
Marin Catholic (0-0-0)	Novato (0-0-0)	Redwood (0-0-0)					
2/12 at Lick-Wilmdering 2/13 v College Prep 2/20 at Marin Academy 2/26 at Napa 2/28 v Vintage 3/5 v Head-Royce 3/6 at International	2/19 v Mission 2/21 at Urban 2/26 at Contra Costa Christian 3/1 at Lick Wilmerding 3/15 v Convent San Rafael (0-0-0)	2/27 v University Tamalpais (0-0-0)					
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Terra Linda (0-0-0)	MCAL v	BCL					
2/22 v Napa (Cal Spring Classic) 2/22 v Yuba City (CSC) 2/23 - TBD (CSC) 2/23 - TBD (CSC) 2/26 v Davis	vs BCL Central vs BCL East	0-0-0 0-0-0 0-0-0					
2/28 at Benicia 3/5 v Contra Costa Christian 3/7 v Head-Royce	vs BCL West	0-0-0					
3/7 V Head-Noyce	Combined	0-0-0					