

# THE CUB ROUND UP

May 6, 2008

## THE CUBS THIS WEEK

Sat. 5/10 Track & Field  
Lady Cubs @ Southern Calif. Prelims  
Bakersfield College

### **BADMINTON: THE LATEST ON THE LADY CUBS**

The Lady Cubs concluded their season last Friday (May 2) in the South Coast Conference Tournament held at Pasadena City College's Hutto-Patterson Gymnasium.

LA City's top three players - Madison Tarr, Magdalena Rogosz and Yazmeen Townsend – each won a singles match but failed to qualify for the State Championships being hosted this weekend at Skyline College (San Bruno, Calif.).

### **WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD: THE LATEST ON THE LADY CUBS**

Freshman Veronica Alaniz finished 10th place in the 10,000 Meters event of the Southern California Track & Field Preliminaries on Sat., May 3, at Bakersfield College.

Alaniz's recorded a time of 41:22.18 minutes among the 21-entry field. Unfortunately, it fell short of earning an automatic bid to the State Championships. Those spots are reserved for the top-six finishers. Glendale College's Tove Berg won the event in a time of 36:22.75 minutes.

However, there remains a chance that Alaniz could be granted an "at large" bid. Final invitations to the State Championship will not be extended until after the completion of the Preliminaries.

Alaniz will next compete in the 5000 Meters this Saturday in Round Two of the SoCal Prelims at Bakersfield. Two weeks ago, Alaniz qualified for the Prelim finals with 4th place in the South Coast Conference 5000 Meters Championship in a time of 19:12 minutes.

"Veronica is focusing her efforts on winning the 5000 Meters this Saturday," said LA City coach Sylvia Mosqueda. "She doesn't control whether she'll be invited to the State Championships in the 10,000 Meters but the 5000 Meters is in her control. She has the ability to place in the top-six let alone win the event. Hopefully she'll run a time that will give her the opportunity to compete for a State championship the following week."

The California State Track & Field Championships are being hosted this year at Cerritos College on May 16-17.

### **BASEBALL UPDATE: CUBS DROP FINAL THREE GAMES**

The Cubs ended the 2008 season in disappointment yet optimism was high for the direction of Cub baseball and the successful groundwork that has been laid for 2009.

LA City dropped a close decision, 7-6, at Mt. San Antonio College last Tuesday (April 29). Sophomore Christian Martinez (Los Angeles HS) pitched a near-impenetrable eight innings before the Mounties scored four runs in the top of the ninth inning for a come-from-behind victory.

The Cubs finished the regular season with a home-and-home series against East Los Angeles College.

LA City dropped a road game (May 1) to the Huskies, 12-8. Cub catcher Jerry Rodriguez (Fairfax HS) was "all-star" throughout the game while going 5-for-5 at bat. This included a home run, a double, three singles, and three RBI's.

LA City's season finale at home in Griffith Park's Pote Field (May 2) also favored East LA, 13-7. The Cubs 2008 season record was 8-32 and 3-21 in the South Coast Conference.

#### RODRIGUEZ NAMED ALL-CONFERENCE

South Coast Conference baseball coaches voted three Cubs to the All-Conference Team with sophomore Jerry Rodriguez leading the way.

Rodriguez was named to the 2008 All South Coast Conference Second Team. Rodriguez hit a team leading .339 with two home runs and 12 RBI's. His defensive prowess behind the plate made him one of the best overall catchers in the SCC this season.

All-Conference Honorable Mention honors were bestowed to freshman outfielder Chris Espinosa (Fairfax HS) and pitcher Christian Martinez (Los Angeles HS).