

# ★ Cordova Boasts All-American

When you hear the names Reggie Young, Shawn Brady, Don Brown, Ryan Yantis, and Mike Brown what else pops into your mind but athletics.

All these "jocks," who form the hard-core of Cordova's athletic teams, have all been named to at least one All-American team.

To start the roll call of Cordova's All-American list where else to start but with Cordova's own Reggie Young.

The speedy halfback has been named to many All-American teams. Assistant Football Coach Tom Doherty feels that Young "has the potential to be the next Chuck Muncie." Head Coach Ron Lancaster reports that Young, a senior, is considered the top Blue Chip halfback in Northern California. Young has had many offers from major colleges but is still undecided.

Although senior Shawn Brady

was "only" an Honorable Mention for the All-American team, Head Coach Lancaster feels Brady is a shu-in for All-American team standing this year. Brady teamed with quarterback Gary Teague is a major reason for Young's success in the backfield. Teammate Paul Thompson was quoted as saying "he (Brady) is really quick for a fullback." Brady also has many offers from colleges and is also undecided.

Last year Joe Namath's *National Prep Magazine* named senior Don Brown as an Honorable Mention to its All-American baseball team. When Head Baseball Coach Guy Anderson was asked about his star catcher, Brown, he cited Brown as having "a fine mind, good attitude and a fair stick." With a mind towards college ball, Brown looks to be an outstanding player.

Since starting at the tender age of five, junior Ryan Yantis is no newcomer to the sport of swimming. Yantis, a Section Record Holder, has been named the 17th fastest in the world by *Swimming World* magazine as of July 1977. Swimming Coach Ann Edelman said, "Ryan's swimming experience, mental attitude and his desires will surely be an asset to him in attaining his goals."

An up and coming sophomore is Mike Brown. Brown attained his All-American status while attending Mills. Brown shows great potential in the middle distance swimming events. Coach Edelman cited Brown as being "a definite plus that our team needs. We are loaded with sprinters and Mike is extremely versatile. When asked what he thought of Cordova, Brown said, "It's better than any other school!"



Cordova's All-American: Shawn Brady, Mike Brown, Don Brown, T. Ryan Yantis and Reggie Young.

## Volleyball Ends Losing Streak With Easy Win

Both the varsity and J.V. volleyball team broke their three game losing streak by defeating the Kennedy Cougars last week.

Strong teams from St. Francis, Sacramento, and Johnson were all a part of Cordova's losing streak.

In the Kennedy game Cordova's varsity had little if any trouble putting the game away winning 15-12 and 15-7 while the J.V.'s had to work through three games before pulling out a victory.

After winning the second game, forcing a third game into action the varsity team fell to Sacramento, but it wasn't without a hardfought battle and one of the years best matches.

In their recent match with an

extremely strong Johnson team, Cordova showed up quite impressive in the second game fighting against hard Johnson spikes. They were however, at the short end losing 14-16.

The J.V.'s won the first game but dropped the next two in their loss to Sacramento.

Standing out in their serving and setting all year have been Joyce Bowles, Donna Pearson, and Marguerite Balantac for the varsity team.

Little sophomore Connie Fidel has been extremely impressive for the JV's this year with her excellent serving and spiking. Melinda Anicich and Cindy Timberlake also have been great assets to the team.

## Field Hockey Game Today

Today the field hockey team will play their last regular game of the season against Elk Grove. If Cordova finishes in second place, they will go to the section playoffs.

"The team should win," Coach Gloria Pasquetti stated. They have been practicing on moving the ball around better and working on good basic moves. Practices are everyday from 3:05-5:00.

Diane Ollhoff, a 1977 graduate of Cordova High, is assisting this year as a defensive coach. She is also an all-league field hockey player.

Cordova currently holds third place out of eleven schools in the Sierra Foothill division, which is a combination of three leagues. This is the fourth year of competition for the field hockey team. Returning letterwomen are Kathie McCants, Kris Moodie, Janie Woods, and Chris Cuistas.


According to Coach Pasquetti, the team has shown tremendous improvement. "They make an all out effort in each game and show more skill and knowledge."

## Lancers Face Falcons Tomorrow

SPORTS CALENDAR	
Nov. 5	Football — Christian Bros. (CSUS), 12 p.m.-J.V., 2 p.m.-Varsity Cross Country Meet
Nov. 8	Volleyball — Marquette, here Gymnastics — Highlands, there
Nov. 10	Gymnastics — Kennedy, here
Nov. 12	Football — Johnson, here, 11:30 a.m. J.V., 1:30 p.m. Varsity Cross Country Section Meet
Nov. 14	Gymnastics — Burbank, here
Nov. 16	Gymnastics — Sacramento, there

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## Girls Tennis Places Fifth

Girls' tennis finished their season with a 5-9 win-loss record and placed fifth overall in league.

Varsity singles included Korri Clark, first position; Kathy Kaiser, second; Sally Nixon, third; Debbie Nixon, fourth; and Jane Lawrence, fifth.

Doubles on the varsity squad consisted of Jane Phipps and Lisa Weddington, first position; April Butcher and Debbie Yokely, second; and Paola Gilbert and

Gay Shelton, third.

Junior Varsity team members were Bev Brennan, Chris Fielding, Kim Lawrence, Susan Soroka, and Claire Eveland.

When asked how this season compares to the last, Coach Betty Libby replied, "This group's enthusiasm and morale supercedes last year's."

She added, "The young team will be able to take on any team by next year."

## Sports Briefs

### Girls Soccer?

If anyone is interested in a girls soccer team, see Miss Gloria Pasquetti in B-wing.

### Self Defense Offered

It has been recognized by the Girls PE Department that in today's society girls need to know how to protect themselves against an attacker.

For the last three years self-defense has been a course offered by the department. This year, girls must take this course before graduation.

The three-week course is designed to teach the students the basic principles and techniques of self-defense.

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