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## Newport approves \$382K for new SWAT vehicle

Additionally, the City Council addressed a beautification project along Coast Highway and finishing touches for new pickleball courts.

BY ERIC LICAS

The Newport Beach City Council authorized the replacement of the vehicle used by the police department's SWAT team and crisis negotiators on Tuesday, signed off on the finishing touches for the recently built pickle ball courts and approved landscaping on public and private property near a major entry point to the city.

Those decisions were packaged together as items on the consent calendar, which passed unanimously at the Council's most recent meeting Tuesday.

### NEW CRISIS RESPONSE UNIT VEHICLE

The new vehicle approved for purchase at the meeting will cost over \$382,000. It will be used by the SWAT officers and negotiators

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## 3 men to stand trial in killing at N.B. mall parking lot

BY PAUL ANDERSON

An Orange County Superior Court judge Thursday ordered three men to stand trial on charges stemming from a deadly robbery at Fashion Island in Newport Beach.

LeRoy Ernest Joseph McCrary, 26, of Los Angeles, Malachi Edward Darnell, 18, of Los Angeles, and Jaden Cunningham, 18, of Lancaster, are charged with murder for the July 2 killing of 68-year-old Patricia McKay of New Zealand, who was in town with her husband to visit relatives.

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## Surfers' Sidekicks



**TOP:** A giant brown pelican goes low and glides over the same wave a surfer paddles for in the surf at Goldenwest Street in Huntington Beach.

**ABOVE AND LEFT:** Surfers have company as a group of bottlenose dolphins jump and play.

Photos by Don Leach Staff Photographer



**ABOVE:** A youngster with antler ears rides on her dad's shoulders moments after the traditional lighting of the Peppertree during Hospitality Night in downtown Laguna Beach on Dec. 6.

Photos by Don Leach | Staff photographer

**UPPER RIGHT:** Guests line up for La Playa Tamales, the popular food item of the night.



## Laguna Beach fills up on holiday cheer

BY ANDREW TURNER

Laguna Beach has long welcomed the holiday season with the lights and sounds of Hospitality Night.

So it was no surprise that, yet again, the masses turned out to fill up on holiday cheer on the first Friday evening in December.

That tradition has several iconic scenes, including the arrival of Santa Claus via a vehicle in the municipal fleet, as well as the lighting of the Peppertree in a downtown parking lot.

Councilwoman Sue Kempf was in the final days of her second

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# COUNCIL

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who comprise the police department's Crisis Response Unit as a mobile command center during emergencies.

It's built on a heavy duty truck frame, but smaller and more maneuverable than the aging 2003 Freightliner van it's replacing. And it can be serviced by the department's in-house mechanics unlike the older ve-

hicle, which had to be sent out to specialists for maintenance.

## FINISHING TOUCHES ON NEW PICKLEBALL COURTS

The City Council also acknowledged the completion of work on the Newport Coast Pickleball Courts Project, closing out an over \$1.12 million contract with Green Giant Landscape, Inc.

The courts have been open to the public since May. However, crews were

still had a "short punch list of items that required addressing," city staff wrote in a report.

The project was initially budgeted at over \$1.08 million when the deal was awarded to the landscaping company in October 2023. The increased cost was due to the removal and replacement of a deteriorating wrought iron fence and sidewalk surrounding the new courts.

In addition to the construction of eight pickleball

courts, a shaded viewing area, benches, trash cans, a bike rack and two water fountains were also installed at the site.

## BEAUTIFICATION OF COAST HIGHWAY LEADING INTO CORONA DEL MAR

Plans to redo landscaping at a major entry point to the city at an estimated cost of \$125,000 also moved forward at the meeting.

City staff described the 1-mile stretch of Coast High-

way between Seward Road and Pelican Point Drive that leads into Corona Del Mar from the east as "a patchwork of different landscape palettes." Crews will renovate the area to make it appear more uniform.

The scope of work will include both city-owned and private property, specifically four adjacent homes at 301, 321, 341 and 345 Evening Canyon Drive, as well as 12 homes on Cortland Drive adjacent to a retaining wall along the highway. The city

will enter into a reimbursement agreement with the homeowners associations related to those properties to help cover the cost of new landscaping.

The project also includes the installation of a new irrigation system to help maintain the new landscaping. The city will cover the cost of watering the area, which was estimated at about \$1,500 a year.

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**BASSIST JUSTIN DRUCKER** and singer Celena Marie, from left, of the band Moonshine, perform holiday inspired rockabilly songs in the Hobie store.

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## HOLIDAY

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term as mayor when she did the honors in leading the town in a countdown for the tree lighting ceremony. Several children were invited on stage to participate in the countdown with Santa.

From there, Santa journeyed to his beach house, where he listened to the Christmas wishes of the children in attendance.

A crowded Forest Avenue had vendors and live performances lining the street, which was lit with large snowflakes hanging from trees along the sidewalk.

Even the Grinch, who was once known for at-

tempting to steal Christmas, was spotted wearing a full Santa suit.

Youth performances included those by Anneliese School, the Thurston Middle School band, and the Laguna Beach High School dance program and honors choir.

The Laguna Beach Community Band and JaZz Band also performed in the Peppertree Lot, as did No Square Theater and a ukulele band.

Local businesses held open house until 9 p.m. during the event, which was put on by the city and the Laguna Beach Chamber of Commerce.

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**A SANTA CLAUS** moves through the crowd on Forest Avenue on a people mover device during Hospitality Night in downtown Laguna Beach..



KTLA

**THE CRIME SCENE** at Fashion Island mall in Newport Beach after a tourist was killed in a robbery attempt on July 2.

## TRIAL

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The murder charge includes a special circumstance allegation of killing during a robbery.

The three defendants are also charged with attempted robbery. Darnell also faces attempted murder with sentencing enhancements for the personal use of a gun and discharge of a gun, while McCrary is charged with leading police in a pursuit and an enhancement for death of a victim younger than 70 as a result of a robbery.

Senior Deputy Dist. Atty. Mark Birney argued during a preliminary hearing that McCrary was behind the wheel of a Toyota Camry, and Darnell and Cunning-

ham got out and attempted to rob McKay's husband of his Rolex watch.

Douglas McKay struggled with the suspects until he fell down, and two assailants turned their attention to trying to steal his wife's purse, Birney said. Shots were fired at one man who tried to intercede in the robbery, authorities said.

Police witnesses testified during the hearing that Patricia McKay wound up on the ground in the roadway, where she was run over by the Camry and dragged about 30 yards as the suspects tried to escape.

Douglas McKay told police he tried to warn the driver his wife was on the ground in front of the car before it took off, police testified.

The three defendants

fled from the scene, leading authorities on a chase, during which Cunningham got out of the car and was arrested in the Cypress area, authorities said. The other two defendants continued the chase to the South Gate area, where the car broke down and they were both arrested.

The three men are scheduled to be arraigned Dec. 23.

Cunningham's attorney, Ray Chen of the Alternate Defender's Office, did not dispute his client's role in the robbery, but said he should not be held liable for the killing.

"He used force necessary to commit robbery and nothing else," Chen said. "The issue is what force Mr. Cunningham used and whether it was in reckless indifference to life. ... If anyone acted with reckless indifference to life it was the driver."

Cunningham was "unarmed" and was attempting to commit strongarm robbery, Chen said.

"The only force he used was to commit the underlying crime and nothing else," Chen said.

Orange County Superior Court Judge Gregory Jones said, however, it was a "two-on-one situation" pitting a pair of young men

against a 68-year-old man who had a gun pointed at him.

Birney said he disagreed with Chen's "narrow" reading of the law, which requires "reckless indifference to human life."

Cunningham "does not disengage" when McKay is threatened with the gun, Birney argued.

The prosecutor noted that Patricia McKay was "violently attacked. She is thrown to the street by Mr. Cunningham" before "her property is ripped away from her."

Birney also refuted the argument from defense attorney Joel Garson that the shots fired were not aimed at the good Samaritan who came to the aid of the victims. Birney noted the man told police he felt a bullet whiz past his head.

"He doesn't shoot once, he shoots three times," Birney said of Darnell.

Garson said the shots fired represented "more reckless indifference to escape" than to life. "If you watch the video it's not attempt to kill," but rather to get Darnell's pursuers to back off, Garson said.

"It's an intent to scare," he argued.

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**GIRL'S WATER POLO**

# Carlton's five goals lead Costa Mesa past Estancia

**BY ANDREW TURNER**

The Costa Mesa girls' water polo team is still looking for its first set of back-to-back wins of the season, but there was one streak the Mustangs were happy to keep alive on Wednesday.

Sophomore center Violet Carlton had five goals and two steals to lead the host Mustangs to a 7-5 win over the Eagles in a nonleague game on Wednesday afternoon.

Costa Mesa (3-6) continued a prolonged streak of success in the crosstown series with Estancia (5-3).

"I think a lot of that is just like tradition," said Carlton, who added that she and her teammates had not lost to Estancia during their careers. "I think that it just gives us an excitement and school spirit, and it just makes us want to win."

Costa Mesa, which is under the tutelage of a new coach in Sarah Barker, had one of its closer calls against Estancia. The Mustangs had outscored the Eagles 41-6 across the previous two meetings.

Defense is the calling card for Barker, a 2018 grad-

uate of Newport Harbor who went on to play for Long Beach State. After being shut out in the first quarter, the Mustangs rebounded to take a 4-1 lead heading into halftime.

Veronica Kehoe's power-play goal on a six-on-four advantage cut the Eagles' deficit to 4-3, but the Mustangs never allowed them to draw even.

"Our biggest thing right now is learning to control the ball on offense because when you're a new player, it's very exciting and you can get tunnel vision," Barker said. "They're really learning how to control the ball and keep it from just going back and forth and making it like a swim meet."

When Costa Mesa did get into a defensive set, its physicality made it difficult to move the ball around for open shots. Senior center Sophia Winters had five steals and a field block. Sophomore goalkeeper Harper Alexander contributed six saves and four steals, and freshman utility player Hadleigh Juelfs had two steals.

See **Polo**, page A4



Don Leach | Staff Photographer

**COSTA MESA'S** Violet Carlton (7) fires in a goal past the arm of Quetzali Gonzalez of Estancia in the Battle for the Bell girls' water polo game at Costa Mesa on Wednesday.

**HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP**

## CdM's Max Douglass to run in Foot Locker Championships

**BY ANDREW TURNER**

Corona del Mar senior Max Douglass added to a sensational close to his prep cross-country career in qualifying for the Foot Locker National Championships.

Douglass clocked in at 15 minutes, 39.0 seconds to place sixth in the Foot Locker West Regional on Saturday, Dec. 7 at Mt. San Antonio College. The top 10 finishers on the 5K course in the championship heat advanced to this Saturday's

meet at Balboa Park in San Diego.

The Sea Kings' ace was coming off a third-place showing in the CIF State Division IV final. The Sunset League champion also won the Southern Section Division 4 title.

**GIRLS' BASKETBALL**

**Marina 54, Pacifica Christian Orange County 53:** Rylee Bradley had 20 points to lead the Vikings to a narrow win over the Tritons on Tuesday in the Pacifica Mariner Mayhem

Tournament.

Haley Nguyen and Sydney Smith each had nine points for Marina (6-3). Maria Tejada added eight points, and Shelby Nguyen chipped in with six points.

Marina coach Daniel Roussel said Bradley, a junior who has started since her freshman year, broke the school record for scoring in the team's second game of the season. Dawn Charroin had held the record at 1,316 career points since 1988.

Caylie Villagrana scored

21 points — on seven three-pointers — to pace Pacifica Christian (4-7). Vivian Villagrana also had 20 points for the Tritons.

**Sage Hill 74, North Torrance 62:** Addison Uphoff had 20 points, six rebounds, three assists and two blocked shots to lead the Lightning on Wednesday in a nonleague game on the road.

Kamdyn Klamburg added 13 points and six rebounds for Sage Hill (7-2). Amalia Holguin contributed 12 points, six assists, five re-

bounds and three steals. Eve Fowler also had 10 points, 10 rebounds, three steals and two blocks.

**BOYS' SOCCER**

**Edison 3, Corona del Mar 1:** Micah Novak scored twice for the host Chargers, who came away victorious in a Sunset League opener on Wednesday.

Nathan Jackson also scored a goal for Edison (1-2). Evan Oakes and Oliver Worster each recorded an assist.

Corona del Mar dropped

to 1-3 overall.

**Los Amigos 1, West Covina South Hills 0:** Adrian Ramirez scored the lone goal, assisted by Eduardo Reyes, for the Lobos on Wednesday in the Troy Warrior Tournament.

Jesus Adono had four saves, and Rene Medal made one save in preserving the shutout for Los Amigos (4-1-1), which will face Yorba Linda in the championship game on Friday.

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**THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE**

By Stella Zawistowski

**ACROSS**

- 1 Celebrity
- 5 Goes the distance
- 10 Blacken on a grill
- 14 Rogers or Rodriguez
- 15 "The game is \_!"
- 16 Entice
- 17 Yoked animals
- 18 Pickling solution
- 19 Big shade trees
- 20 Sweet alcoholic drink: 2 wds.
- 22 Remove from office
- 23 Armed conflict
- 24 Forty winks
- 26 Cigarette residue
- 29 Copy, for short
- 33 Hay bundles
- 37 Cruise ship accommodations
- 39 Robbed
- 40 Dollars and cents
- 41 Twists around
- 43 Come \_ or shine
- 44 In motion
- 46 Purple vegetables
- 48 Fake
- 49 Allow others to use
- 50 Notice
- 51 Came across
- 53 \_ way or another
- 55 Sandwich shop
- 58 Passionate excitement
- 65 Baking appliance
- 66 "Move over!"
- 67 Epoxy, e.g.
- 68 Dropped in the mail
- 69 Neutral color
- 70 Jewish circle dance
- 71 Important time periods
- 72 Fully filled
- 73 Adolescent

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**SUDOKU**

By the Mephram Group

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [sudoku.org.uk](http://sudoku.org.uk).

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**For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A4.**

**DOWN**

- 1 Winter precipitation
- 2 NYC vehicle
- 3 "You said it!"
- 4 Get more of a magazine
- 5 Workers
- 6 Natural Black hairstyle
- 7 Earth
- 8 Voicemail signal
- 9 Back of a boat
- 10 1963 Elizabeth Taylor role
- 11 Disney-owned streaming service
- 12 Right to bear \_
- 13 Take a breather
- 21 Give a darn
- 25 Stomach muscles

- 26 Music rights group: Abbr.
- 27 Secret store
- 28 Must: 2 wds.
- 30 Skier's equipment
- 31 Coarse-textured
- 32 Last Greek letter
- 34 Lends
- 35 Top-class
- 36 Get a feeling
- 38 Chocolatey Girl Scout cookies: 2 wds.
- 42 Germinated
- 45 Whiskey grain
- 47 Glasses part
- 52 Exams
- 54 "\_ Is Enough"
- 55 Medicine amount
- 56 At any time
- 57 Olin or Horne
- 59 March Madness group: Abbr.
- 60 Hype up
- 61 Optimistic emotion
- 62 Natural soothing ingredient
- 63 Certain
- 64 Unkind

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE**  
(UCC Sec. 6105)  
Escrow No. **24-39150-JP**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: **YONGMO LIM, 1093 BAKER ST., STE B, COSTA MESA, CA 92626-4161**. Doing Business as: **MAKI YAKI 19**. All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: **NONE**. The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: **RICDACO LLC, 14 HUGHES STE B200, IRVINE, CA 92618**. The assets to be sold are described in general as: **FURNITURES, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENTS, TOOLS, TRADENAME, GOODWILL, LEASEHOLD INTEREST, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, ALL TRANSFERABLE PERMITS, AND LICENSES** and are located at: **1093 BAKER ST., STE B, COSTA MESA, CA 92626-4161**. The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: **TEAM ESCROW INC, 30 CORPORATE PARK, SUITE 210, IRVINE, CA 92606** and the anticipated sale date is **JANUARY 3, 2025**. The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2. [If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided.] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: **TEAM ESCROW INC, 30 CORPORATE PARK, SUITE 210, IRVINE, CA 92606** and the last date for filing claims shall be **JANUARY 2, 2025**, which is the business day before the sale date specified above. Dated: **12/12/2024**  
BUYER: **RICDACO LLC**  
ORD-3019692 DAILY PILOT 12/13/24

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:**  
**PETER OWEN SHEA AKA PETER O. SHEA, SR. CASE NO. 30-2024-01442795-PR-PW-CMC**  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of **PETER OWEN SHEA AKA PETER O. SHEA, SR.**  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **CAROLYN H. SHEA AND PETER O. SHEA, JR.** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **CAROLYN H. SHEA AND PETER O. SHEA, JR.** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.  
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: **01/22/25 at 1:30PM** in Dept. CM08 located at **3390 HARBOR BLVD., COSTA MESA, CA 92626**  
**NOTICE IN PROBATE CASES**  
The court is providing the convenience to appear for hearing by video using the court's designated video platform. This is a no cost service to the public. Go to the Court's website at The Superior Court of California - County of Orange (occours.org) to appear remotely for Probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions. If you have difficulty connecting or are unable to connect to your remote hearing, call **657-622-8278** for assistance. If you prefer to appear in-person, you can appear in the department on the day/time set for your hearing.  
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.  
Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
Attorney for Petitioner  
**LEAH M. BISHOP - SBN 97427**  
**DEBORAH BROSS - SBN 232528**  
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**SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)**  
**CASE NUMBER (Número del Caso):**  
**30-2024-01431609-CL-PA-CJC**

**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):**  
Zhou Leo Xiangyu and Does 1 to 10, Inclusive

**YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE)**  
Whitney Alexander

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Escrow No. **70001-EK**

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(3) The location of the chief executive office of the Seller is: **SAME AS ABOVE**  
(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: **BIRCH WAY LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, 11138 DEL AMO BLVD #261, LAKEWOOD, CA 90715**  
(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: **FURNITURE, FIXTURES, AND EQUIPMENT, TRADE NAME, GOODWILL, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS AND COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE** of that certain business located at: **15333 CULVER DRIVE #340, IRVINE, CA 92604**  
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Dated: **NOVEMBER 25, 2024**  
TRANSFEREES: **BIRCH WAY LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**  
ORD-3018367 DAILY PILOT 12/13/24

**FIRST AMENDED SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)**  
**CASE NUMBER (Número del Caso):**  
**30-2024-01403527-CU-OR-NJC**

**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):**  
MARY MONTANO, an individual; all persons unknown, claiming any legal or equitable right, title, estate, lien, or interest in the Property adverse to Plaintiff's title, or any cloud on Plaintiff's title to the Property, and DOES 1 through 50 inclusive

**YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE)**  
YASHDEEP SINGH, an individual

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700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701

**The name, address, and telephone number of the plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is:**  
(El nombre, la dirección y el número de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):  
Eric V. Traut, Esq.  
5 Hutton Centre Drive Suite 700, Santa Ana, CA 92707, (714) 835-7000

**Date: 10/08/2024**

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**COSTA MESA'S** Martha Martin (10) fires in a goal against Estancia on Wednesday.



**COSTA MESA** goalie Harper Alexander makes a save during the Battle for the Bell girls' water polo game against Estancia.

## POLO

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"I can't even count the amount of steals she has on defense, just from the few games we've had," Barker said of Winters. "She has really long arms, and she's very athletic, and I think even all her teammates know that if the ball goes in, there's a really high chance she's going to get it, and if she doesn't, Harper knows that they're going to have to shoot through Winters."  
Senior attacker Martha Martin and Winters each had one goal for Costa Mesa, which will compete in the Empire League this season.  
Junior Nataly Andriashvili scored a hat-trick to

go with four steals and a field block to lead Estancia, which is now a member of the Grove League.

Senior Quetzali Gonzalez had a goal and two steals, and junior goalkeeper Melissa Cruz made 10 saves for Estancia.

"We had a couple nail-biter moments, for sure, that I wish would have gone in our favor," Estancia coach Olivia Schwartz said. "Unfortunately, they didn't, but I think next year, we have a very good setup, and we can project ourselves up to a higher level of play and a smarter level of play, as well, once we get more experience under our belts."

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