

NoVa West Crusaders are the Hot Shots

This past weekend at the Hot Shots lacrosse tournament in Salisbury, MD the NoVa West Crusaders a summer select team made up of players from Fairfax, Loudoun and Fauquier counties went 5 – 0 claiming the tournament championship. In the championship game the Crusaders defeated the Shore Dawgs with players from Park Side, Salisbury, Stephen Decatur and Georgetown Prep.



The defense was tremendous all weekend with Matt Miller(NDA), Zach Burkhard(Heritage), Matt Rabung(Loudoun Valley), Jonathan Chambers(Marshall), Alex Martinez(PVI), Peter Walsh(Heritage) and Andrew Larson(NDA), holding the opponents to 11 goals in 5 games. The goalkeeping of Stephen IDE(NDA) and Derek Kegerreis(Chantilly) combined for a 68% save percentage.

Owen Masters(Langley) and Matt Miller(NDA) dominated face offs all weekend winning nearly 73% of the draws.

The Offense played with great flow for a first tournament scoring 44 goals in the 5 games. Every offensive player scored at least one goal, leading the way was Devin Pinkston(NDA) with 14 goals, 8 assists and Brian MacMahon(NDA) with 10 goals, 8 assists. Ross Ozburn, Dean Stambules and Chris Rossi also contributed to the scoring punch.

Matt Miller, Travis Weidlein, Owen Masters and Devin Pinkston were named to the all tournament team while Travis Weidlein captured the finals MVP by stepping up with a huge 3 goal performance.

Next up for the Crusaders will be the FCA Outback tournament in July and then the STX Shootout recruiting tournament in August.



First Row: Dean Stambules(Heritage), Chris Rossie(Heritage), Matt Miller(NDA), Devin Pinkston(NDA), Alex Martinez(PVI), Derek Kegerreis(Chantilly)  
Back Row: Coach Rob Horne, Zach Burkhard(Heritage), Travis Weidlein(NDA), Matt Rabing(LVHS), Ryan Verfurth(NDA), Corey Gilmore(NDA), Brian MacMahon(NDA), Owen Masters(Langley), Stephen Ide(NDA), Peter Walsh(Heritage), Andrew Larson(NDA), Jonathan Chambers(Marshall), Ross Ozburn(Wakefield), Coach Dennis Cox, Coach Matt Pinkston