



The Christ the King CYO Newsletter

FAST BREAK

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FAST BREAK is a monthly newsletter published by the **CTK CYO** in order to bring everyone the latest news, updates, and accomplishments of our boys and girls **CYO Basketball Program** teams and girls **CYO Volleyball Program** teams. **CTK CYO** has now become a year round program ready to bring basketball to anyone interested in playing throughout the year. **CTK** now offers Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter basketball programs for both girls and boys as well as individual personalized instruction. Volleyball for girls grades 6 and 7 is also now a part of the **CTK CYO** Program. Go to the **CTK CYO** website ctkcyo.net for further information and check the **ANNOUNCEMENT** section of the **NEWSLETTER** for updates.

grade team defeated Cure of Ars from Merrick in a resounding three game sweep. There were some big rally's and hard serves throughout the match. The team is hoping to keep up the pace and make a playoff run in its first season. All homes games for each team will be played at the CTK Gym and the schedules can be found at www.cyons.org.



Boys Divisions .

Grades 5 thru 8-Congratulations to Mark Rosenoff's 6th grade team and Brian McConaghy's 5th grade team on making the playoffs this year. The playoffs begin 3/2 and both CTK entrants have high hopes of making a long run in the playoffs. Coach McConaghy's team is led by the likes of Benny Hughes, Sebastian Trent, and James Ramsey. Coach Rosenoff's team is led by the high scoring duo of Nick Waga and Matt Rosenoff and are looking to avenge a loss in last years final game. We wish both teams the best of luck and know they will represent CTK well.

High School League-The High School League Championship game was held on 2/11 and it pitted the #1 Saints against the #2 Apostles. It was a well played game which saw the Saints outlast the Apostles by the score of 66-55. The Saints were led once again by the play of Jaden Kealey and Kevin Krach. Kealey had 15 rebounds, 3 steals and 2 blocks to go along with his 18 points. Krach had 23 points and 5 rebounds in the winning effort.

WHAT'S

HAPPENING



Girls Volleyball

The Girls Volleyball Program kicked off its inaugural season on 2/25 at the CTK Gym. Coach Smith's 6th grade squad met St. Lawrence of Sayville and lost a tough match to a more experienced team. Sabrina Edwards Smith kept CTK in the game with some nice serves and some kills but it wasn't enough. The team was excited about their first game and are looking to improve each week. In the second match of the day Coach Briordy's 7th

Kudos to Matt Fajfer for chipping in with 14 points as the Apostles held high scoring Shane Macchio to only 7 points in the game. Travis Newman and Nick Greco did their best to keep the Apostles close but it wasn't enough. Newman had 16 points and 11 rebounds while Greco had 18 points and 4 steals for the Apostles.

Coach Newman wants to thank Coaches Macchio, Greco, Waring, Fein, Cohen, Norotsky and Levine for volunteering their time to the league this year. Without their efforts our league can't operate successfully. Also thanks to parents Rich Dubi, Sal Figueroa and Glen Fajfer for assisting with the timekeeping duties. Thanks to Father Joe for coming down and keeping time at the games too.

The High School League All Star game was held on 2/11 and it was a high scoring affair. The Macchio All Stars defeated the Greco All Stars by the score of 92-83. Gavin Newman led the Macchio All Stars with 24 points and Ryan Ott was high for the Greco All Stars with 17 points.

The High School League will be changing its format next year. The Sunday Night League will begin September 9th 2018 and run thru November 4th. It will be a six game schedule with playoffs and all games will be played at the CTK Gym on Sunday evenings. CTK will then offer anyone grades 9-12 that does not play interscholastic basketball the opportunity to participate in the CYO Travel Tyro (9-10) or Senior (11-12) division league. This league begins the first week of January 2019 and finishes the regular 10 game season at the end of February. CTK wants to offer everyone the chance to play as much competitive basketball as possible and these exciting new programs will provide that opportunity. If you have any questions or you would like to volunteer you can contact Coach Newman at theace5120@aol.com. Registration for the CTK High School Sunday Night league will open on June 1st.



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GIRLS DIVISIONS

Winter season 2017-18- Congratulations to the following teams for making the playoffs:

5th grade Coach Mike Orlando

6th grade Coach Dave Gordon

7th grade Coach Paul Gembs

7th grade Coach Jill Kraft

8th grade Coach Mike Orlando

Coach Orlando's 5th grade team won their first round game against Our Lady of Hope on 1/27 by the score of 23-6. They lost a nail biter in the next round to St. Francis of Wantagh by the score of 12-11. Coach Orlando is proud of the girls efforts this year and is looking forward to the challenge next year of moving up to the "B" division.

Coach Gordon's team had another great season making it to the finals but losing a tough game to St. Agnes by six points. Congratulations to the girls and coaches for a great effort and next year we hope to see you again in the finals.

In the 7th grade divisions both teams lost in the first round of the playoffs. We want to thank Coaches Gembs and Kraft and their teams for providing our supporters with some exciting basketball this past season.

Coach Orlando's 8th grade team won their first round playoff game but then lost to eventual champion St. Elizabeth in the second round. Congratulations to Jordan Diprima and Ryann Reynolds for representing CTK in the 8th grade All Star Game this year.



K-1 Clinic/Developmental League

The K-1 Clinic- The K-1 clinic was a huge success again this year. The following clinicians completed their last session on 2/18:

Jack Cohen	Parker Sudama
Michael Granshaw	Samantha Dossantos
Matthew Bramante	Valentina Ruffino
Thomas Famighetti	Christopher Phelan
Nate Solomon-Kabekla	Evan Kittenplan
Simon Morris	Matthew Zegers
Landon Aastachovsky	

Coach Newman wants to thank all the parents for bringing their kids on Sundays to the clinic and for assisting whenever needed. Another great job by Travis Newman in assisting Coach Newman each week at the clinic. We hope to see everyone again next year and bring a friend with you so more kids can experience the CTK Clinic.

The Grade 2-3 Developmental League-Our 2nd and 3rd grade Developmental League contingent finished up their last session on 2/16. The new format instituted this year where our sessions included game play was a big hit with the clinicians. The improvement in their individual skills and their game play was quite evident as we progressed thru the season. The following clinicians participated this year:

Sydney Walsh	Carter Clark
Armondo Jacques	Cam Scotto-Lavino
Thomas Okpych	Logan Schadt
Alexander Kineiko	Max Compagno
Anthony Barone	Cassie Whalen

Noah Kittenplan	Gabriella Newman
Logan Gatto	Robert Leon-Skidmore
Anna Petrizzo	Nicolas Cereste
Robert Mascia	Matthew Foraker
Aaron Werner	

CTK CYO will be forming a boys 4th grade travel team for the 2018-19 upcoming season. Anyone interested in participating can contact Coach Newman at theace5120@aol.com. All participants must reside in the boundaries of Christ the King Parish in order to be eligible.

Individual Instruction

Coach Newman has been holding individual and small group workouts @ CTK for the past several months. Participants (boys and girls) currently range from 1st graders to 11th graders. Each session is approximately one hour in length consisting of fundamental drills involving ball handling, shooting, dribbling, one on one moves, agility and conditioning. Anyone interested in improving their game is urged to contact Coach Newman @ theace5120@aol.com to set up a session.

Congratulations to **Travis Newman** for breaking the Commack High School single season JV scoring record this year. **Travis** scored 17 points in the last game against Patchogue Medford H.S. to break Brian Tompkins record set the previous year. The hard work and dedication to practice that **Travis** has been putting in over the years has been paying off and should help him contribute to the Varsity success next year.

Congratulations to **Alivia Agosta** and **Ashley Kolomechuk** on being selected to their Middle School team at Island Trees and Commack. Both girls have been working overtime on improving their skills and should be big contributors to their teams this season.

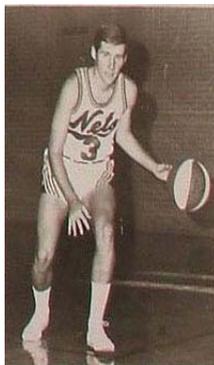
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Coach John Newman will be conducting individual and small group instructional workouts for boys and girls during the months of March and April. This an excellent way to work on improving your game and to get in some extra work during your current season. These workouts will be open to CTK players and non-CTK participants. Contact Coach Newman @ theace5120@aol.com for further information if you are interested.

CTK will be forming a boys 4th and 5th grade travel team for the 2018-19 season. Anyone interested in participating should contact Coach Newman at theace5120@aol.com.

CTK will be participating in the Nassau-Suffolk CYO Summer league once again this summer. Anyone interested in placing a team in the league should contact Dennis Briordy for girls teams at dennis.briordy@gmail.com or John Newman for boys teams at theace5120@aol.com. All teams entered in the summer league will play their home games at CTK and will be able to practice in CTK's air conditioned gym.

TRIVIA QUESTION OF THE MONTH



Last month's question:

Do you recognize this player?

The answer is former Commack resident Bob Lloyd of the New York Nets. Bob played for the Nets in the 1968-69 season when they made the Long Island Arena their home. Bob was an All American at Rutgers University where he teamed up with legendary college coach Jim Valvano. Bob lived in the Fairfield Apartment complex off Commack Rd. and became friends with his Newsday carrier at the time John Newman.

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