

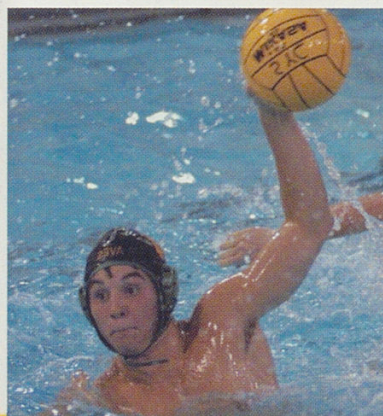
Time out. Coach Packer gives a quick pep talk during a time out in a game. Vince Ahn, 9, and Brian Clements, 11, and the team listen to their coach explain what to do. The team became very close as a team which helped them to perform better in games.



Defense skills. Ryan Klasmeier, 12, plays tough defense against his opponent. As Klasmeier's last season playing water polo, his season ended well. **Catch the pass.** Greg Bieler, 11, prepares for receiving a pass. This was Bieler's third season on the team. He proved himself to be an important part of the team.



Looking for the pass. Ryan Klasmeier, 12, looks for the open man. Klasmeier was the only senior on the team. **Passing the team.** Scott Keller, 11, passes his defense, shooting for the opponents' goal. Keller and Klasmeier were both captains on the team.



Ultimate Frisby. The team game of Ultimate Frisby. This was one of the boy's favorite activities. The team played this as a fun way to practice.

Pass it to your teammate. Algis Aukstuolis, 11, looks for an open pass. Aukstuolis was a key player on the varsity team. His skills helped lead the team to victory in many games.



Game plan. Coach Packer was always there to provide the boys with support. During game situations, time outs were often used to improve game play. The boys all listened to their coach's advice and used it to dominate the rest of the game.



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IN ADDITION TO SPENDING HOURS PRACTICING AFTER SCHOOL FOR GAMES AND TOURNAMENTS, THE BOYS' WATER POLO TEAM SPENT TIME TOGETHER DOING VARIOUS ACTIVITIES. Bonding is an important aspect of being able to play well as a team. Playing Ultimate Frisby was one of the favorites of the team. The team played twice a week after school, for fifteen to thirty minutes. The game was a fun way to work out, bond, and it helped them learn how to play better as a team.

someone's house to hang out for a Pasta Party.

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After a long season, the boys' hard work, practice, and determination throughout the season paid off. They headed to Ohio State University to participate in the State Tournament, along with three other teams from Ohio. Going to state is a big accomplishment, and by the end of the week-end, the boy's took 3rd place.

"We expected to win state, just as much as other teams expected to win as well. The state title was up for grabs," said **Guy Wiener, 11.**

Before really big games or tournaments, the team would get together at

Team Spirit. After every game, the team congratulated each other. Team unity was an important part of being able to play well with each other during games. By the end of the season, the boys were all very close.

