

# PALO ALTO WEEKLY



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## Sports Shorts

**IN THE SWIM . . .** Stanford alum Peter Marshall is in first place following the first of five World Cup short-course swim meets, after setting a world record in the 50 backstroke on Saturday, and breaking his own World Cup and American record in the 100 backstroke on Friday in Durban, South Africa. Marshall's first place showing, along with a world record, gave the American 40 points at the meet. Marshall, who won the NCAA 100-yard backstroke title three times in four years at Stanford (2000-04), set the world, American and World Cup record in the 50 backstroke with a time of 22.75, breaking Randall Bal's time of 22.87, set in Berlin. Bal also is a Stanford grad. A day earlier, Marshall swam 49.40 in the 100 backstroke, beating fellow Cardinal grad Markus Rogan, who set an Austrian record. That mark broke Marshall's own World Cup and American record of 49.63 and fell two-tenths short of the world record. Rogan is currently in ninth place in the FINA World Cup standings. The World Cup will head to Moscow on November 6 and 7, before continuing in Stockholm (November 10-11), Berlin (November 14-15) and Singapore (November 21-22) . . . Stanford junior Eugene Godsoe was named the Counsilman Hunsaker National Collegiate Swimmer-of-the-Week following his performance at the Pacific Invitational last Saturday. Godsoe won both the 100 back and 200 back events, and swam in both relays . . . Menlo School graduate Haley Read won the 200 IM and took second in the 100 breast to help the Duke women's swim team to its first win of the season last weekend. The Blue Devils topped UNC-Wilmington. Read won the 200-yard IM in 2:08.11.

**ON THE ICE . . .** Speedskater Elli Ochowicz of Palo Alto won the women's 500 meters at the U.S. World Cup Trials in Milwaukee, an important step toward making the U.S. Olympic team for the 2010 Winter Games in Vancouver, B.C., in February. Ochowicz is the daughter of Olympic medalist Sheila Young Ochowicz, who competed in both speedskating and cycling in previous Olympics.

**ON THE RUN . . .**Members of the Palo Alto Lightning Track and Field club turned in solid efforts at last weekend's Pleasanton Heat TC Cross-Country Invitational. The Lightning had 10 entrants, with new team members (and twin brothers) Tommy and Robert Guittierrez of Palo Alto finishing first and second, respectively, in the Intermediate 5K race. **Kent Slaney** (Bantam) of Palo Alto turned in a fine third-place finish in his race, as did Palo Alto's Gregor Dairighi in their 3K event.

