



CACTUS COURIER

December 31, 2011

The Daily Newsletter of the Phoenix Cactus Jam Tournament

THANKS FOR COMING! We hope you enjoyed your stay at the Tempe Palms Hotel and Resort! The desert has characteristics and qualities that make it a great place to visit in the winter. Palm trees, javelinas, saguaros, scorpions, diamondback rattlers, and cotton fields give the Valley of the Sun a unique place to visit and live. And why over the past 40 years has the Phoenix area has grown to be one of the top 5 largest cities in America? The answer is quite simple...**AIR CONDITIONING!!!** If you should ever come in the summer you will understand because many of the days from May through September are over 100 degrees!!! But, as the locals would say, "It's a dry heat!"

OTHER EVENTS:

Basketball Travelers also sponsors a high school tournament in San Diego called "The Surf and Slam" at the same time as the Cactus Jam. During the summer months opportunities are available for teams to travel internationally and play high school teams in Europe, Australia, and the Bahamas.

CHECK OUT:

Just a reminder to check your room thoroughly before you go. Remember the airline restrictions for items that you cannot take in your carry on baggage.

GIRLS JAM

ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM

MVP: Katie Fitzpatrick | Upper Darby
 Tyra Polite | Upper Darby
 Jessi McMullen | Chugiak
 Erin Scotland | Chugiak
 Savannah Eklund | Estrella
 Jessie Hoffart | McCoy JV

GIRLS CACTUS

ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM

MVP: Amanda Berchtold | Mercyhurst
 Brenna Robbins | Mercyhurst
 Erika Woll | Mercyhurst
 Cierra Matsalla | McCoy
 Marni Mackay | McCoy
 Annie Studdert | Sonoma Valley

BOYS JAM

ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM

MVP: Bobby Ahern | Madras
 Jhaylen Yeahquo | Madras
 Joe Pucci | Friends
 Emery Andrew | Friends
 Shawn Youngberg | Sandra Day
 Cody March | Sandra Day

BOYS CACTUS

ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM

MVP: Josh Fox | Sacred Heart
 Taylor Johns | Sacred Heart
 Liam Skelly | El Toro
 Jordon Faison | El Toro
 Brian Bernardi | Xaverian
 Semir Kadiric | Shorewood

DEC 30 GAME RESULTS

Girls "Cactus" Division

Princeton (CAN)	28
McCoy (CAN)	56
Sonoma (CA)	29
Mercyhurst (PA)	47

Girls "Jam" Division

Chugiak (AK)	45
McCoy (CAN)	24
Upper Darby (PA)	52
Ponoka (CAN)	24
Estrella (AZ)	46
McCoy (CAN)	20

Boys "Jam" Division

El Toro JV (CA)	62
Shadow Mountain (AZ)	19
Sentinel (CAN)	32
Madras (OR)	75
Sandra Day (AZ)	57
Friends (NY)	43

Boys "Cactus" Division

San Marino (CA)	65
Estrella (AZ)	61
Eastlake (WA)	53
Shorewood (WA)	64
Scottsdale Christian (AZ)	44
Xaverian (NY)	61
Sacred Heart (CA)	67
El Toro (CA)	46

CACTUS JAM TOURNAMENT

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

Phoenix, Arizona

December 26-31, 2011

Boys "JAM" Division

Champion: Madras

2nd: Sandra Day

3rd: Friends

4th: Sentinel

Girls "JAM" Division

Champion: Upper Darby

2nd: Chugiak

3rd: McCoy

4th: Ponoka

Boys "Cactus" Division

Champion: Sacred Heart

2nd: El Toro

3rd: Xaverian

4th: Shorewood

5th: Scottsdale Christian Academy

6th: Eastlake

7th: San Marino

8th: Estrella Foothills

Girls "CACTUS" Division

Champion: Mercyhurst

2nd: McCoy

3rd: Sonoma Valley

4th: Princeton

Basketball Travelers would like to say "Thank You" for coming to the 12th Annual Cactus Jam. We hope you had a great holiday and we wish you the best as you return and compete in your league.

"You who are young, make the most of your youth. Relish your youthful vigor. Follow the impulses of your heart. If something looks good to you, pursue it. But know also that not just anything goes; You have to answer to God."