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# Club Sports Monthly

#### October 2012

To start things off, check out Ryan Rivamonte and be sure to read about Field Hockey, Men's Rugby, Sailing and More!



Teammate Ryan Rivamonte represented the University of Michigan triathlon team at the Ironman World Championships on Saturday, October 13 in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii. His journey began in Louisville, Kentucky where he placed first in the 18-24 age group at Ironman Louisville qualifying him for the most historic triathlon in the world. Swimming 2.4 miles, cycling 112 miles, and then running a full marathon (26.2 miles) is no easy feat for any person, let alone in Hawaii. The Hawaii Ironman is marked by its notoriously high heats and heavy crosswinds, yet Ryan completed the course as the fifth American in the 18-24 age group in a time of 10 hours, 10 minutes and 46 seconds. He battled with athletes all around the world and even competed against MichiganTriathlon's former President, Justin Arnosky. The Hawaii Ironman will be shown in a two hour special on NBC on October 27 from 4-6pm and we hope to see Ryan in the Maize and Blue doing his signature front handspring over the finish line!



Go Blue!

# Michigan Field Hockey

Club field hockey hosted our first ever 7v7 tournament on Ocker Field on October 27th. Seven teams played, including players from Dayton, Cleveland, Columbus, and Chicago. Check out the photo spread below! And be sure to check out October news from MRun, Men's Rugby, Sailing, and more!



Elizabeth Henquient '16



Samantha Hurley '15



Meaghan O'Connell '16

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#### Men's Rugby Celebrate Win over MSU

In perhaps one of their best outings of the season, The University of Michigan Rugby Football Club took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Big Ten East Division after beating rival, Michigan State, 33-22. The two met in the first week of Big Ten play and MSU came out on top. This time around, however, Michigan's controlled forward play opened up plenty of space for the Michigan backs to run in five tries.

For the first game since Purdue, Michigan's offense succeeded in generating more points in the first half. Just four minutes into the game, a Michigan State penalty set up Michigan's Nick Lazurka on the outside for a score. Michigan State was able to hang in the game for the first half, but was never able to gain the lead at any point. In the 20<sup>th</sup> minute, Michigan fly

half, Grady Bridges, found a gap off the side of a ruck on MSU's 22 meter line and ran it in for Michigan's second score. Bridges would go on to convert his try and make 4 of 5 conversions for the day. In the final seconds of the first half, Lazurka ran around several State defenders from Michigan's own 22 for a beautiful try to make the half-time score 19-12 in favor of Michigan. Michigan State's frustrations from limited offensive production due to a relentless Michigan press became evident in their two first half yellow cards.



With the senior's last home match on the line, a fired-up Michigan squad quickly put State away. In the 56<sup>th</sup>minute, Sequoyah Burke-Combs returned an MSU kick right down the center of the field nearly untouched. Eight minutes later, a long run by Christian Mentzer set up Grady Bridges for a try to give Michigan their largest lead of 33-12 with just ten minutes to play.



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#### Michigan Sailing at Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta

The Michigan Sailing Team attended the Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta hosted at Larchmont Yacht Club in Larchmont, NY October 6-7. A record 425 college sailors from 38 schools racing 45 borrowed boats came together for the regatta hosted by the Storm Trysail Foundation and the Larchmont Yacht Club. With so many college sailors participating, the event has become the world's largest college sailing regatta. Schools travelled from Canada, the Midwest, New England and the



mid Atlantic states with the University of Wisconsin Madison travelling the farthest. Michigan sailed in the IRC fleet on a King 40 called "American Girl" with nine other boats. Finishing 8th in our fleet, the weekend was a windy one on Long Island Sound, blowing around 20 knots on Saturday and dying down to 5-10 knots on Sunday. Thank you to Larchmont Yacht Club and the Storm Trysail Foundation for putting on a great event as always! Photos by Liz Smith



Resting before heading out for Friday practice

Windy conditions on Saturday



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## Michigan Tae Kwon Do

The University of Michigan Tae Kwon Do (UMTKD) club took 26 competitors and 7 spectators and coaches to Cornell University on 11/4 for an Eastern Collegiate Taekwondo Conference (ECTC) tournament, the premier taekwondo league in the country. Over fifteen colleges and around 300 competitors competed in the two main aspects of taekwondo – forms and sparring, with fifth place finishes and up accruing points for a college's overall placement. Overall, Michigan racked up more points than ever before on their way to winning their division and placing third overall, outdoing many larger teams.

UMTKD took home four trophies in forms, led by a dominating first-place performance by Sam Jones in the women's blue belt division. Matt Karl (4<sup>th</sup>), Billy Hass (4<sup>th</sup>), and Felipe Augusto de Oliveira (3<sup>rd</sup>) also picked up some wins for Michigan in tightly contested divisions.

The women's black belt sparring team, composed of May Lyn Tan, Ajae Whittaker, Laura Palm and Renna Ayyash, continued last year's dominance through four tough rounds to earn yet another gold medal. Ajae, undefeated in the league since she began competing two years ago, showed why she was voted an ECTC All-Star for the 2011-2012 season. The men's advanced color-belt team of Alex Minghine, Billy Hass and Omar Gates took home silver, only losing in the finals due to accumulated injuries. The women's beginner team of Penny Warmanen, Jenny Wang, and Courtney Petersmark, sparred hard to win bronze medals after less than a month of sparring practice, very impressive considering that some of their competition had done taekwondo for a year or longer! Several other sparring teams did not win medals, but took 5<sup>th</sup> place and earned the club points toward the overall standings.



The UMTKD club is very active in competition and is busily preparing for the next tournament at Princeton University in February. While we encourage all of our members to compete, including those starting that very semester, it is not a requirement. Competitions and the associated travel are fantastic bonding and learning experiences and make the club a unique and important aspect of the Michigan experience for many students. Anyone is welcome to join the team, and those interested should contact Ajae at amwhitt@umich.edu.

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#### MRun Goes to Bloomington, IN for NIRCA Regionals



On October 26<sup>th</sup> 2012, MRun headed to Indiana for the regional race on Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup>. The men came in second place to Indiana and the women came in first. The temperature was cool and the course was one loop of rolling hills. The men ran an 8k while the women ran a 6k. Congratulations to all of the runners who ran at this regional meet! Athletes of the meet:

**Caleb Kline!** Caleb came in 8<sup>th</sup> for MRun with a time of 28:01! Great race Caleb! **Kayla Hanses!** Kayla had her first race with MRun at regionals and she was super speedy with a time of 25:17! She was also 8<sup>th</sup> for the team! Way to go Kayla!



A complete list of MRunners competing at regionals includes:

Lindsey Miller, Kaitlyn Frank, Justin Waraniak, Stephanie Resis, Will Kane, Caleb Kline, Lauren Warren, Eric Edmond, Joshua Partridge, Kayla Hanses, Lydia Lyons, Dante Michael, David Burkland, Warren Buzzard, Ian Prochaska, Ellen Corder, Shannon Petersen, Zachary Prochaska, Elise Huerta, Allison Reid, Jimmy Adams, Brett Giampa, Brianna Mayer, Beau Bremer, Chrissie Costakis, Jordan Eccleston, Jane Harness, Harrison Clark, Patrick Miller, Mac Drees, Benjamin Griessmann, Max Mizikar, John Holmes, Michael McGahren-Clemens, David Penner, Connor Murray, Greg Sollish, John Bennett, John

Ware, Brandon McDole, Maxwell Hawley, Albert Park, Elliott Manzon, Austin Stawowczyk, Thomas Noel, Justin Hayworth, Christina Capriccioso, Brian Dobmeier, Annabelle Schuelke, Katie Samuelson, Erica Dombro, Caci Dishman, Michelle Lapin, Buddy Herkenham, Claire Kintner Jeremy Klapper,, Melanie Jackson, Makena Owen, Emily Southern, Garrett Cullen, Christina Ledezma, Katie Grassa, Rachael Lacey, Spencer Carmichael, Tyler Belyea, Alexander Golinski, Megan Czerwinski, Robert Rose, Jennifer Calfas, Thaddeus Lenk, Nick Streicher, Alaina Vouaux, and Adena Leibbrand

MRun looks forward to the national meet in Hershey, PA on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012. GO BLUE!

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#### Michigan Table Tennis



Sports Coliseum - On Saturday, Oct. 27, the UMTTC hosted the second annual UM Open Tournament. 33 players from University of Michigan and all around the Detroit Metroplex area participated. The tournament is open to all players of all levels, and is part of the club's goal to foster a wider appreciation for the sport. After an exciting round of morning preliminaries and a Dominoes-sponsored pizza lunch, the players that advanced to the final round were announced. The top sixteen players competed in four Divisions for 1st and 2nd place in each division. In the end,

there were two featured matches in the finals of Division A: Weilun Xu vs. Tomás Fuentes-Afflick and Hang Zhao vs. Yongjoo Park. These players demonstrated spectacular skill and speed as they dueled at speeds in excess of 70 mph over a table less than 10 feet long and 5 feet wide. Tomás Fuentes-Afflick, a sophomore undergraduate at the U of M, took the Division A Championship.



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## Michigan Rifle Team



The Michigan Rifle Team smashed both the smallbore 3position and air rifle team records with their performance in the October match for the Western Intercollegiate Rifle Conference. A preliminary score of 2115 in 3-position bested the team record set last year by 5 points and in air rifle, a preliminary score of 1517 toppled the team record set in December 2011 by 44 points! This is impressive! This is only the second time the team has posted a 3-posiiton score above 2100 and the first time above 1500 for air rifle. To do so this early in the season bodes well for the team potential and is pushing into the scores fired by some of the NCAA scholarship teams.

Leading the team, sophomore Anne Sullivan was on bullseye with a 553 3-P and 386 air rifle, a personal best in collegiate competition. Also firing personnel best in air rifle, freshman Aaron Ward 384, junior Ying Yi Liu 380 and senior Matt Ewald 367. The team's top 3-position competitors were Anne Sullivan 553, Ying Yi Liu 535, junior Matt Karashin 534, and Aaron Ward 521. Ying Yi and Matt fired personal best 3-position scores for this match.

The team hosts the Great Lakes Invitational this weekend with Michigan State and Michigan Tech. The winner of the match between UofM and MSU claims the Blue Ox Trophy. With the Paul Bunyan Trophy back in Ann Arbor the MRT is set to bring home the "Babe" this weekend.

Several team members also competed in the open air rifle match at Camp Perry on October 27th. This match is fired in Olympic format with a 60 shot preliminary score and a 10 shot final for the top 8 preliminary competitors. Anne Sullivan fired a 575 preliminary placing her in second place going into the 10 shot finals. Ying Yi Liu fired a 570 preliminary which was good for a 5th place standing for the finals. The finals were all Ying's as she won the final round with a 101.2 moving her into second place overall while Anne dropped to third place overall just 0.9 points behind Ying.

