



# Lady Stingray's

record (10-4-1 overall / 6-0 Mulholland League)

## Volleyball Weekly Recap

**Week #7** - Mon-Oct 19<sup>th</sup> @ L.A. Adventist / Fri Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> vs La Verne Lutheran

**LA Adventist** – missing two starters for Mondays match at **LA Adventist** didn't seem to concern anyone – particularly the **Hungate** twins, who made sure they got in on the action. The 1<sup>st</sup> set saw **Betsy Hungate** score 4 consecutive aces on the **Eagles**. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> set **Amanda H** made sure she out did sis by one, scoring 5 consecutive aces. Sophomore **Karina Tangari** took advantage of her chance to play full rotation for missing OH-**Bridgette Kielhack**, out sick for the day. **Karina** had 2 kills and 2 aces, played strong defense, and showed her rapidly improving serve. Jr-**Alex Tangari** also played full rotation, filling in for **Taylor Pattillo** at the net and scoring 4 kills and 2 aces on the day. Setters **Anais Marin** and **Hannah Klobuchar** combined for 5 kills, 3 aces and 11 assists. The **Eagles** presented little challenge for the **Rays**, now 5-0 atop the **Mulholland League**, but did provide valuable playing time for the bench in prep for the playoffs.

**La Verne Lutheran** - coach 'B' suspected the **Trojans** would be eager to knock-off the CIF #2 ranked **Stingrays** in their home gym, especially after suffering a tough loss to the lower division squad at **La Verne**. The **Trojans** play in a strong Div-4A league, two levels above **PacLu**, and finally gave the **Rays** something they have sorely missed throughout most league play – competition.

Set #1 saw the **Stingrays** commit 16 unforced errors ala balls hit mostly into the net or sailed long. Nevertheless, the score was close throughout, and tied at 24 all **PacLu** was fortunate to have their best server rotate to the back line and serve the final two points of the game, including an ace to break the tie and win the 1<sup>st</sup> 26-24. Set #2 followed the **Rays** usually pattern for the season, letting up just enough to allow the **Trojans** back in the match, as they could not manage to side-out **La Verne's** best all-around player #5-**Kelsey Villanueva** (losing 18-25). Set #3 proved to be the odd game of the match as **La Verne** suddenly forgot how to pass, allowing jr-**Alex Tangari** to score 10 straight points from the line, mixing in an ace for good measure. At the end of set #3 **Alex** served another 5 straight to carry the **Rays** to a lop-sided 25-11 win.

Now up 2-1 in the match the **Stingrays** were in a dog fight early on in the fourth, falling behind 5-2 and 7-4. They fell further behind at 7-12 before a service streak of 5 points by surprising jr-**Taylor Pattillo** got them a little closer at 12-14. But once again the **Rays** went into a passing funk gifting a number of unforced errors, miscommunications and turnovers before outside hitter **Bridgette Kielhack** stepped to the back line. **Bridgette** ran-off 7 points on some well placed float serves to tie the set at 20-20. Four different **Stingrays** scored points 21 thru 24 of the set, and things got a little tense when the **Trojans** earned set point at 25-24, threatening to send the match into overtime. But the **Lady Stingrays** had a secret weapon they were holding in reserve for just such a moment - power server **Hannah Klobuchar**. **Hannah** has struggled at the back line all season – but came through for the team when it counted most by serving the 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> points to seal the win for the **Stingrays** (27-25). Nice job ladies – but lots to work on.

**Next Week** –the **Stingrays** play 3 home matches on Mon-Oct 26<sup>th</sup> vs Summit View-W; Wed-Oct 28<sup>th</sup> vs Shalhevet; and Thr-Oct 29<sup>th</sup> vs Summit View. Each match starts at 3:30pm.

Mon-Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:00pm... is '**Senior Night**' - when the **Rays** honor their graduating players.