



2003 SAILOR VARSITY TEAM



VARSITY BASKETBALL ROSTER 2002-2003

NO.	NAME	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	POS	GRADE
4	Ben Soza	6'1"	160	G	Sr.
5	Todd Lowenthal	5'11"	155	G	Fr.
10	Chase Cameron	6'0"	170	G	Sr.
11	Blake Hanley	5'9"	155	F	Sr.
15	Chad Rorden	6'1"	175	G	Sr.
21	Robert Hunter	6'1"	175	G	Jr.
23	Brett Perrine	6'4"	185	G/F	So.
24	Brett Lowenthal	6'6"	190	F	Jr.
25	Jair Hernandez	6'5"	175	F	Sr.
33	Nedim Pajevic	6'9"	230	F/C	Sr.
34	Andre Pinesett	6'0"	200	G	Jr.
40	Nick Glassic	6'3"	185	F	Sr.
50	Jamie Diefenbach	6'8"	225	C	Jr.

Head Coach: Larry Hirst
Asst. Coach: Brian Cottriel
Athletic Director: Eric Tweit
Athletic Sec.: Judy Ayers

League: Seaview
Mascot: Sailors
Colors: Navy Blue & Grey

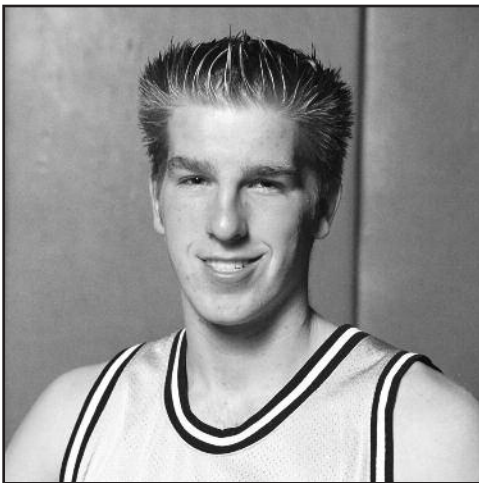
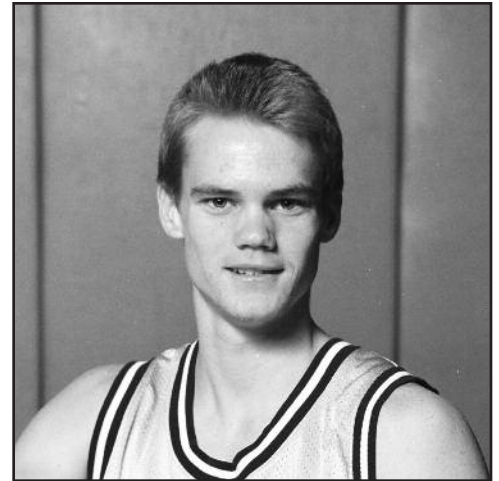


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10 CHASE CAMERON

SENIOR 6'0"

Chase Cameron: Following in the tradition of former Sailor point guards Matt Jameson and Greg Perrine, both now playing college ball, Chase is ready to call the plays for this year's varsity. A seasoned varsity veteran, now in his third year, Chase has all the skills necessary to make Newport proud. He has more trick moves than a David Copperfield special, and his outside shot is as unerring as a smart bomb on Iraq. His uncanny ability for sensing an open teammate while looking in the opposite direction will certainly bring him lots of assists this season. Chase most admires Bill McDonald because he has "the best job," and he is grateful for his parents' constant support.



50 JAMIE DIEFENBACH

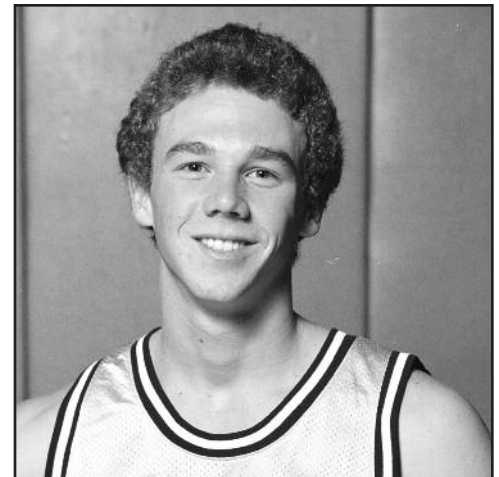
JUNIOR 6'8"

Jamie Diefenbach: Quick, how do you give coaches heart attacks? How about having their starting 6'8" center tear an ACL tendon and need surgery just before the season starts. A junior in his third year on varsity, Jamie's size and quickness looked to make Newport a powerhouse. Jamie rebounds as though he owns the grant deed to the boards and treats anyone else as a pesky intruder to be swatted away. Coach Hirst was counting on Jamie to put a lot of points up, but that may not happen until CIF playoffs. Meanwhile, Jamie should be ready for volleyball when that season rolls around. Jamie is a scholar who loves AP classes. He admires Bob Tafoya, his mentor, and his parents for their strength

40 NICK GLASSIC

SENIOR 6'3"

Nick Glassic: This year's Nick is a bigger, stronger version of last year's model. Nick has added some height and several pounds of muscle to his already sturdy frame, and so he should be a force in the paint for Newport. A seasoned varsity veteran, Nick loves to rebound and is not intimidated by a physical game. But he is not all muscle; he handles the ball like a guard and can shoot from anywhere. He has played the sport since he was smaller than a basketball, and he hopes to continue playing in some capacity in college. He admires his mentor, Paul Kennedy, who has a job "like a vacation every day", and he admires his parents for the support and encouragement they have given him.



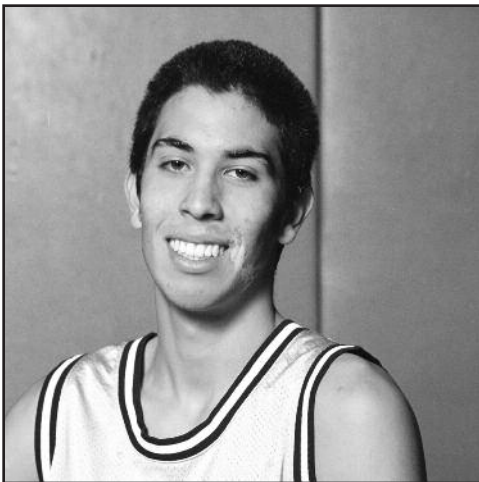
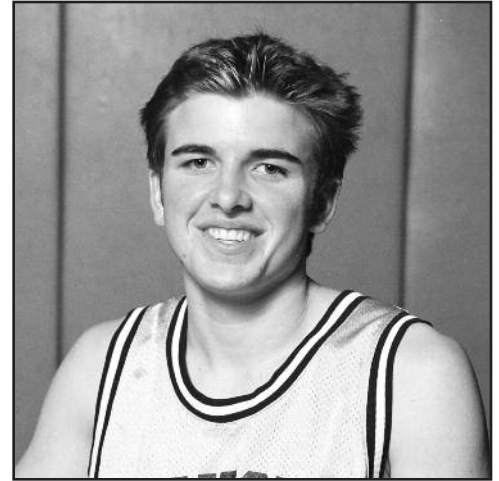


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11 BLAKE HANLEY

SENIOR 5'9"

Blake Hanley: Blake moves up from JV this year and should be a strong addition to the varsity. He describes himself as a utility man, and that is exactly what he contributes to the team. He does everything well, and his motivation is always what is best for the team. He can make his shots, but he is extremely unselfish and always eager to find someone open with an even better shot. Blake is a top student, and his intelligence shows on the court. His calm, mature demeanor will help keep Newport on an even keel. He plans on being a doctor or a marine biologist, and besides his family he admires Dave Gellbong, a millionaire who dedicates his time to protecting the environment.



25 JAIR HERNANDEZ

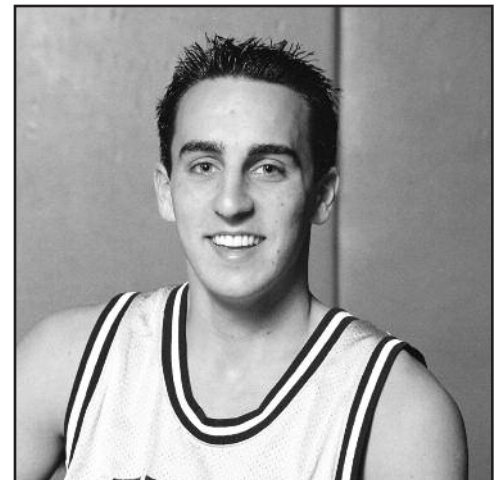
SENIOR 6'5"

Jair Hernandez: Coach Hirst smiles a lot when he sees a transfer coming in who can look him in the eye. At 6'5" Jair can easily accomplish that feat, and to bring an even bigger smile, he played for three years in the legendary Mater Dei basketball program. He is working hard to learn the Newport system, and should be able to take some of the stress off of Nedim in the paint. He plans on attending college and becoming a physical therapist. He admires Ray Allen for his deadly shooting, Led Zeppelin for their great music, and his parents for "putting up with me."

21 ROBERT HUNTER

JUNIOR 6'1"

Robert Hunter: Watching someone play basketball who is not always predictable can be fun for the fans and gut-wrenching for the coach. Rob, in his first year on varsity, should provide plenty of excitement for fans and coaches. A superb athlete, Rob has all the tools to be a star. He is so aggressive on defense some opponents have begged for restraining orders. His quickness and agility when he has the ball make him a constant threat. He rebounds like a power forward, and scrambles for loose balls with the tenacity of early morning shoppers at the day-after-Thanksgiving sales. Rob plans to attend college and someday go into business.



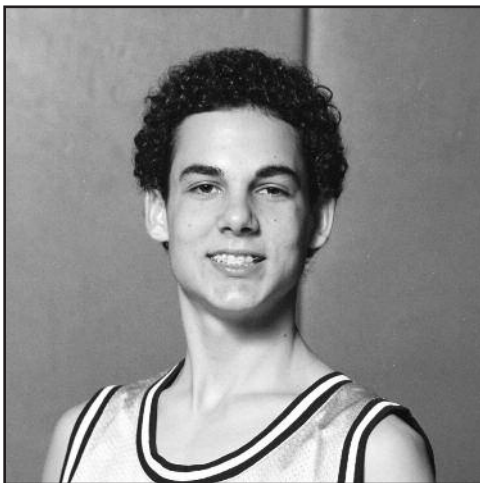
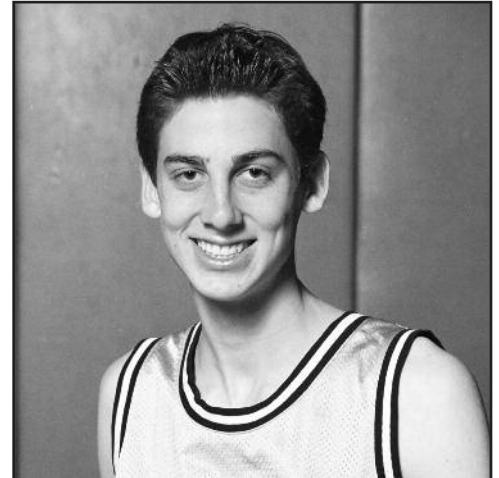


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24 BRETT LOWENTHAL

JUNIOR 6'6"

Brett Lowenthal: Coach Hirst's disappointment at losing Jamie Diefenbach was tempered by the appearance of transfer Brett Lowenthal. A 6'6", 190 pound player who loves to net "3 pointers", would put a smile back on any coaches face. While still learning the Newport system, Brett shows enormous promise and has given coaches and players a shooter to work with. He plans on attending college and seems headed for a business career, since he admires Donald Trump. But the person he admires most is his mom who "works so hard" and is "very smart."



5 TODD LOWENTHAL

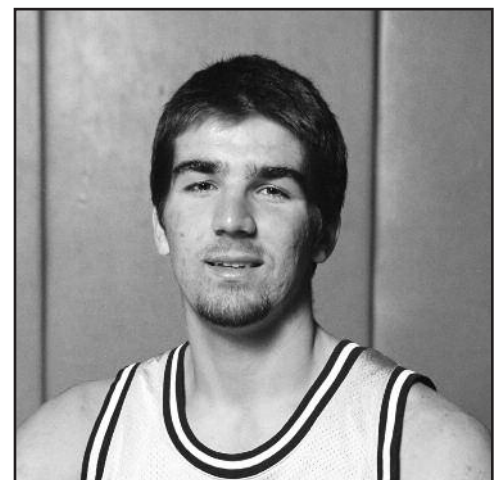
FRESHMAN 5'11"

Todd Lowenthal: Coach Hirst rarely moves a freshman up to varsity, but when Todd transferred in with point-guard experience, Hirst was willing to make the move. Obviously Todd has been impressive enough in workouts to justify this unusual step. Another indication of Todd's talent would be that Coach Hirst does not move freshmen up to sit on the bench, so it looks like Todd will be getting playing time. Like his brother, Todd admires his mother's hard work and dedication. He also admires Mike Bibby and his style of play. Let's hope Todd brings some of the Bibby style to the Newport court.

33 NEDIM PAJEVIC

SENIOR 6'9"

Nedim Pajevic: In basketball the name of the game is height and strength, and Nedim, at 6'9" and 238 pounds, looks like an NBA player. Now in his third year on varsity, Nedim has always been a force on the boards, but an intense weight-training program and summer workouts with some big men have made Nedim deadlier than an Israeli tank battalion. It might be safer to get into the ring with Mike Tyson on a diet than to try to rebound against Nedim. Always a strong scorer, Nedim has the green light this year from Coach Hirst to really rack up the points. Nedim admires his hard-working parents and teacher John Risse who "defies the laws of physics." Nedim's moves on the court would make Isaac Newton rethink a few of his ideas.



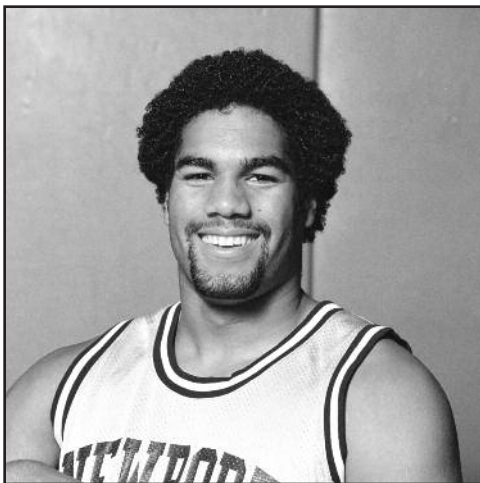
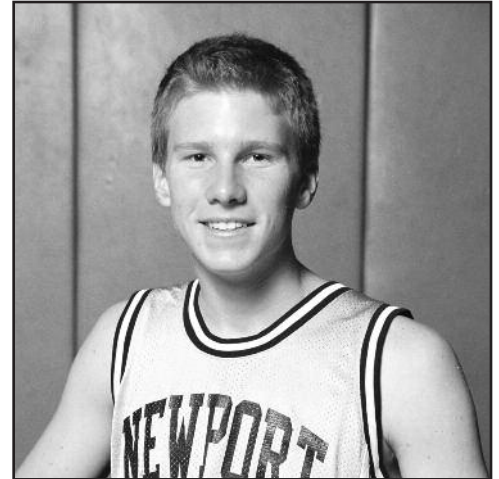


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23 BRETT PERRINE

SOPHOMORE 6'4"

Brett Perrine: Brett moves up from our very good JV team of last year. Only a sophomore, he comes with impressive credentials. He is a 6'4" ball-handler, he was a top player on the JV team last year, and he is a Perrine, brother of Greg, who graduated last year and is now starting point guard for Chapman University. Brett is one of those rare tall players who loves playing guard and does it well. Surprisingly mature for his tender years, he does not get rattled in tense situations. Many games are won or lost in the last two minutes, and Brett's skill and composure will come in very handy in those crucial times. Brett is a Junior Olympic gold medalist in volleyball. He admires Mark Madsen, Tiger Woods, and his parents.



34 ANDRE PINESETT

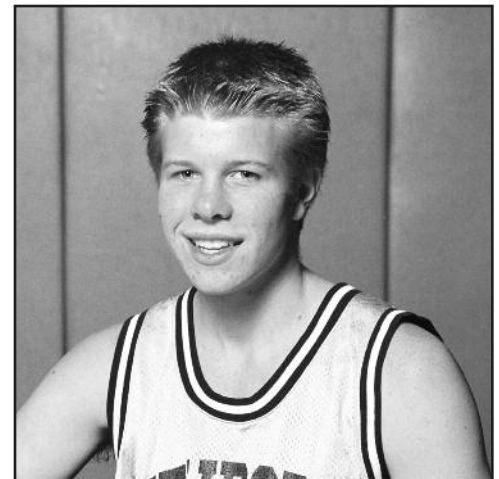
JUNIOR 6'0"

Andre Pinesett: Built like an NFL blocking back, Andre brings experience, strength and skill to the starting five. He attacks loose balls with bone-jarring strength, and after a few impacts with Andre last season, several opponent players decided to switch to golf. But with that muscle comes smooth ball-handling and quickness, making Andre a threat in every area of the game. He can hit from anywhere on the court and his 3-pointers rarely hit metal on their way in. A real all-around person, Andre is a scholar, has shown a dramatic flare in student films, and makes friends easily. He usually has a large contingent of female fans cheering him on at games. He also plays on the varsity baseball team, and he plans to attend college after graduation.

15 CHAD RORDEN

SENIOR 6'1"

Chad Rorden: Back for his second year on varsity, Chad's ball-handling skills will bring stability to the team. Quicker than a paranoid hummingbird, Chad is a constant threat to make steals and engineer fast breaks. He shoots better than Clint Eastwood in "Dirty Harry," and he is always ready to drain the net if an opponent flickers. Chad makes dropping three-pointers look as easy as falling off a skateboard. But Chad is a team-player and is always looking for the killer pass to give his team a quick two points. He admires Miss Kirby for her "bubbly, vivacious personality" and also because she can run a mile faster than he can.

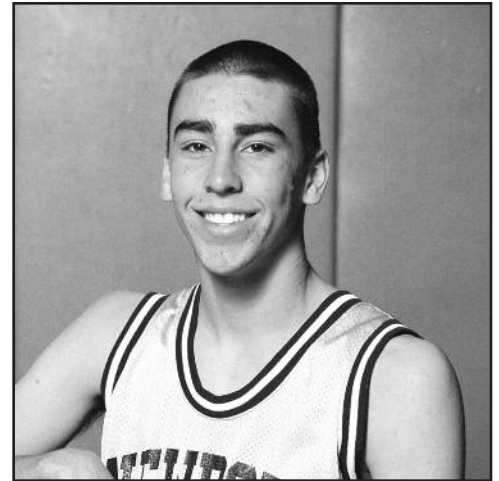




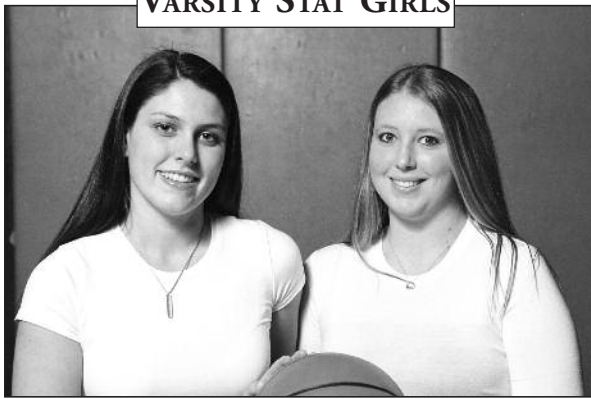
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4 BEN SOZA SENIOR 6'1"

Ben Soza: Ben has worked his way up through the system, playing frosh, soph, and JV ball, and now he is ready for the main event. Ben is a guard but he packs some size and muscle on his frame, since he also plays football. He enjoys the physical aspects of basketball and hopes to give opponents a healthy respect for Newport. Ben plans to play football at OCC next year. He admires his father for his success, his mother for her strength, and his brother Ray because "he is a stud." Ben seems to have learned a lot from his brother.



VARSIY STAT GIRLS



CHELSEA DILL & KATIE BISSELL
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AMANDA WARD & ASHLEY LEAR

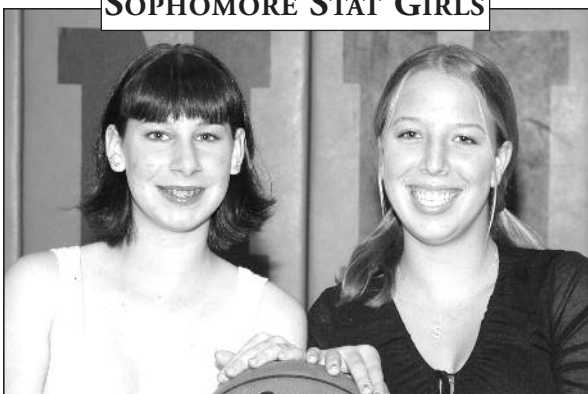
TEAM MANAGER



CHRIS ADORNO

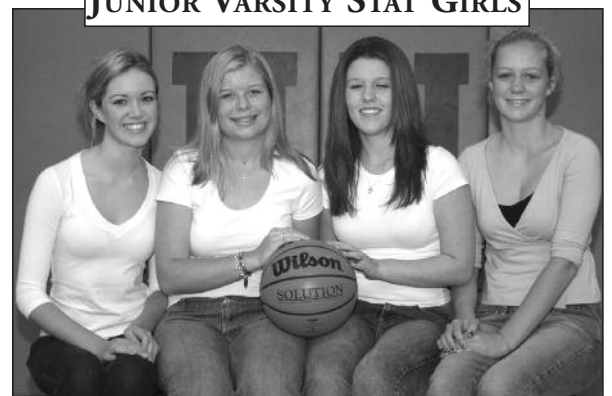
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50	DIEFENBACH

SOPHOMORE STAT GIRLS



SARAH SELBY & TRACI SAIZ
NOT PICTURED: KENDALL BOOTH

JUNIOR VARSITY STAT GIRLS



KYLEE DILL, KRISTEN KARGES, BRITTANY BUE & JODI RORDEN

NOT PICTURED FRESHMAN STAT GIRL: COREEN SUTTON