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Alicia Naylor was recently named co-MVP.

St. B's Naylor named MVP

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St. Bernard's senior Alicia Naylor and Eureka junior Dana Wahlund were named co-MVPs of the Humboldt-Del Norte Conference for girls soccer, while Eureka junior Alec Ziegler and Arcata junior Matt Munther were named co-MVPs for the boys.

"(Naylor) was awesome for us this year," said St. Bernard's head coach Meridee Paye.

Naylor, along with senior all-league teammates Justin Cade, Alex Vallee and honorable mention player Brittany Vitale were a part of a 2004 North Coast Section Championship team.

This season, the St. Bernard's girls finished the regular season 13-6 and had a successful run in the NCS after winning the first two games in overtime. Ultimately, however, they came up short in a semifinal loss to Mendocino.

According to Paye, the girls put in extra work to achieve the success they've had in recent years, which sets them a part from past teams.

"Alicia was huge for us this year," said Paye. "She is a natural leader."

St. Bernard's underclassman Andie Vallee and Briana Averil were also given honorable mention.

The Eureka boys will be set at goalkeeper for the next two years as sophomore Ross Kenworthy was named all-league, while senior midfielder Alex Vitale was also named all-league.

Logger teammates Kyle Dunaway, Mike Price and Rawley Kirnman were given honorable mention.

Eureka's junior Brittany Beare and senior Miranda Brownlow were named all-league, while Andrea Howard, Kate Kramer and Amanda Malfatti were given honorable mention.

Arcata finished the regular season with a record of 12-2 and a H-DNL title.

Arcata's Nate Meyers, Jonathan Biggs, Chris Andrews and Ben Middlemiss were named to the all-league boys team, while teammates Lorenzo Penati, Matt Sampson, Derek Stone, Nolan Gomes and Cole Goodrich received honorable mention.

And while the Arcata girls finished their season undefeated with 16 wins and a single tie, like the Arcata boys, they lost in the NCS playoffs early.

The Lady Tigers' all-league honors went to Arlee Messler, Kristen Fraga, Natalie Bensky, Amanda Hassler and Kayla Watson, while teammates Etta Grover-Silva, Hannah Noonan and Siang Chew received honorable mention.

The McKinleyville boys will have some talent in the coming years as freshman midfielder Jordan Urbany was named all-league, along with seniors Morgan Wright and Trevor Smith.

Zeb Coghill, Tom Wood, Alex Skweir and Preston Sutter were given honorable mention for the Mack boys.

Mack girls' junior Maria McGoldrick and senior Elissa McGillivray were named all-league, while Ryann Weaver, Katie McDonald and Sher Crider were given honorable mention.

Fortuna's seniors Hugo Urbina, Jose Ornelas and junior Javier Ruiz were named all-league, while Eddie Gonzales, Travis Davey and Carlos Urbina received honorable mention.

Fullbacks Ana and Teresa Ornelas were named all-league for Fortuna and will return next year, while Husky teammates Bailey Davy, Rachael Olkin, Emma Ehret, Nicole Martin and Andrea Bruhnke were given honorable mention.

Ferndale seniors Cody Darst and Andres Reynosa were named all-league, while teammates Ryan Braun, Ryan Boynton, Ryan Austras and Spencer Tilus were given honorable mention.

Junior sweeper Karina Morales was the lone Ferndale girls all-league selection, while teammates Brittany Miranda and

Chelsea Boynton were given honorable mention.