



Plenty Of Prospects Impress at So Cal Jr All-American Open Run!

LOS ANGELES (March 22, 2010) - The Jr All-American Camp Open Run national tour continued in Orange County, Calif., on Sunday, March 21, stopping at Ocean View High School in Huntington Beach. Despite several tournaments which were being held throughout Southern California, many of the area's best players ages 10-15 still showed up. Nearly 70 in all came to get exposure, play against other good talent and compete for a spot in the invitation-only prestigious national camp this summer. Dave Keefer of Rivals.com's CaliforniaPreps was impressed with the overall group as he remarked, "There are a lot of very talented players here. This is great!" Those drawing the most attention seemed to be from among the strong turnout of 5th, 6th, and 7th graders. Each participant played three games over the 4-hour event. The games were extremely fast-paced as small guards and big men alike showed off their speed and dynamic ball handling ability. The format for the Open Run did not include drills or stations skills. The kids were organized into teams and games were very competitive. The youngest kids, 4th and 5th graders were combined. The sixth-graders played together. Seventh and 8th graders were together along with one high school freshman thrown in. Duane Newton -- father of outstanding 2016 prospect Devin Newton, of Los Angeles, who attended the 2009 Jr All-American Camp -- helped to organize the event. During the camp introduction he was credited by Jr All-American Camp president Clay Dade with doing a terrific job. "Duane is one of the most knowledgeable basketball minds I know. As a coach himself at the college level and AAU, he has experience running camps, tournaments and exposure events. His expertise, network of contacts and hard work is the reason this was a success. We thank him for bringing Jr All-American Camp to So Cal," said Dade. The national Open Run tour gives all youth players an opportunity to have fun and play and compete as they measure their ability against their peers under the watchful eye of local and national media, scouts, analysts and other observers in grassroots basketball.

TOP PERFORMERS

9th Grade / 2013

Mark Patterson (Lakewood Hoops) – The lone freshman in the event, at times he dominated play as he should. Hard to gage where he stands among the other elite freshmen in So Cal but he certainly showed a nice game and helped himself. He's a good guard who should continue to develop. Shoots, handles the ball and competes equally well.

8th Grade / 2014

Chris Sandifer (California Supreme) – At 5'11 and rail thin, he's a quicksilver, electric talent who is a crafty lefty that scores in bunches. Early on, he could not miss as he lofted many high-arching threes that hit the bottom of the net. He is reputed to be a lock-down defender with his great length, athleticism and quickness. He didn't display much defense on this day. Nonetheless, he's very talented and competitive.

Deshon Taylor – Could become an outstanding high school point guard. Understands how to play. He's quick. Shoots well from three. Very good in transition. Handles it beautifully.

Ian Fox (HAX 15u/16u) - Savvy. Understands how to play. Despite the frantic pace of the games, he always maintained his poise and took his time to make a play for others or himself. Plays with nice maturity. Very very

skilled. Can shoot the mid range well, also completes drives in half court and layups in transition. Great in the middle on the break. One of the big surprises of the event.

7th Grade / 2015

Shacquille Dawkins (IEBP) – Nice off the dribble. Got anywhere he wanted. Can really score.

Max Heidegger (ARC) – Has a chance to be a star. Superior playmaking ability. Ball is on a string. Makes shots. Always looking to attack. Very aggressive offensively. A '09 Jr All-American Camp All-Star.

Teddy Bowers (Home Court Edge) – Tough. Glue guy. Nice range of skills. Strong body. A winner.

Ke’Jhan Feagin (Homecourt Edge) – Has great talent and all-court skills. Turned in a great performance before injury cut short his day.

6th Grade / 2016

Devin Newton – Super athlete already for young player. Played up with 7th and 8th graders and excelled. Plays extremely hard. He takes the ball to the basket fearlessly and finishes. Equally proficient and accurate knocking down treys from deep outside. Must continue to work on decision-making, avoid dribbling into trouble areas and becoming careless with the ball. A hawk on defense when he wants to be. Future is his.

Austen Awosika (Home Court Edge) – He dominated this group. No one could stay in front of him. He gets to the basket. He’s terrific in transition. Exciting to watch.

Evan Battey (SCA) – A very skilled big body who is multi-skilled. Can play inside, outside, lead the break, assist others or finish himself. Also has a nice pull up. He showed an advanced ability for a big man to hit shots from 15 feet off of impressive dribble moves through traffic.

Derryck Thornton (ARC Supreme) – Left early to play in a high school game. But we saw enough in warm ups before the start of the Open Run to know he’s special. We’ll be seeing him again in Atlanta.

5th Grade / 2017

Jayson Jones – The big fella from Hacienda Heights arrived with a swagger. He served notice right away in his first game as he banged down low, finishing with several three-point plays. He was dominant. He is unstoppable around the basket and routinely scored off post ups and put backs, while smaller opponents bounced off him. Very tough. Big time big man at 5’10 and 200 pounds. A load for just a fifth-grader. He’ll be one of the most sought-after this spring among local travel teams.

Connor Haskell – Gutsy little guy who is a wizard with the ball always with his head up. He does a great job finding teammates. He doesn’t force shots. Smallest player. Biggest heart. Smart on the floor.

Scooter Smith (SCA) – All-around solid game. Really looked for his shot and seized scoring opportunities. He plays with a high IQ and knows how to lead his team.

Myles Johnson (SCA) – Most skilled big man among this group. Very impressive on both ends as he rebounds well, handles the ball, and is also a good passer. Super talent for a young big.

Connor McBride (Jam) – Hard-working, gritty. A glue guy who has nice shot when left open.

Matt Weyand (Jam) – Tough rebounder. Redhead hustles and plays with great effort. Skill must improve. But always around the ball. Few will out work him.

Myles Franklin (SCA) – Very talented. Played well on both ends of the floor.

4th Grade / 2018

Tane Sedgewick (FD1) – This little guy had no problem competing with the older, bigger 5th-graders. He was very entertaining and impressed right away with excellent handle, speed and quickness, and nice change of direction. He can really fly! Takes the ball to the basket well. Shoots it very consistently from outside. He's one to watch.

Others who stood out and played well included: Isiah LeBlanc (2015), Cristian Delgado (2014), Mydric Allen (2014), Jaylen Massengill (2014), Jack Kaub (2015), Bryan Igboke (2014), Joshua Benjamin (2017)

Players receiving invites will go to one of three national camps. Jr All-American Camp for current 5th-7th graders will be August 6-8 at Suwanee Sports Academy in Atlanta, GA. Freshman All-American Camp, exclusively for the country's top rising high school freshmen (2014s) will be at Chicago Bulls Training Academy in Lisle, IL. Super Soph Camp for the nation's Top rising sophomores will be July 8-10 in Cleveland, OH, during the live recruiting period. It will be held at Cleveland State University, at the same time and same place as Nike LeBron James Skills Academy. College coaches will attend.

Congratulations to all of the following who participated in the Orange County Open Run!

Adam Khalil	Jonnathan Vilela
Anthony Coleiro	Jordan Robinson
Austen Awosika	Jordyn Bragg
Bryan Igboke	Joshua Benjamin
Bryan Phan	Joshua Cooper
Bryce Zephir	Joshua Curls
Christopher Blount	Ke'Jhan Feagin
Chris Sandifer	Kendall Smith
Connor Haskell	Kendall White
Connor McBride	Mark Patterson
Coree Joseph	Matt Weyand
Cristian Delgado	Maurice Tutt
Dee Kerrison Jr	Max Heidegger
Derryck Thornton Jr	Michael Bach
Deshon Taylor	Michael Balla
Devin Newton	Mydric Allen
Drew Aruviles	Myles Franklin
Elijah Khalil	Myles Johnson
Evan Battey	Paul Vilela
Forrest Rivers	Quincy Peterkin
Ian Fox	Ryan Balla
Isaiah LeBlanc	Scooter Smith
Isaiah Wade	Shacquille Dawkins
Izaiah Cameron	Shane Dean
Jack Kaub	Skylar Bell
Jacob Davison	Tane Sedgewick
Jacob Lopez	Teddy Bowers
Jason Askins	Trey Marsh
Jaylen Massengill	Trey Smith
Jayson Jones	Tyler Cashman
Joe'l Towers	