



**MORGAN MILLER**  
**NVHS BOOSTER CLUB FEATURED ATHLETE OF THE WEEK**  
**WATER POLO PROGRAM**

The NVHS Athletic Booster Club is proud to present the featured athlete of this week, water polo player MORGAN MILLER. According to coach Tiffin, Morgan is a self-motivated athlete who trains year round in the sport. In addition to club practices she trains with the ODP (Olympic Development Program) for water polo. She competes with the best athletes in the area in national competitions each summer including the J.O. tournament in California. Last season she was Neuqua's team top goal scorer with a total of 38 goals (on a 28 game season).

Booster Club Reporter: Tell me how did you learned about water polo.

Morgan: I started playing water polo for the River Run Raptor team in 8th grade and found it was a sport I could excel at. I began training year round with the local water polo club team where I have played among some of the best water polo players in the state. I joined the water polo team at Neuqua my freshman year. I also swim for the Neuqua Valley swim team in the fall and have trained with Delta and Fox Valley swim clubs.

Booster Club Reporter: Is there anything about your career so far that you would have done differently if you had the chance?

Morgan: I wish I would have started playing water polo when I was younger. I look forward to coaching younger players this summer. Sharing the knowledge of the game I have with young players means a lot to me.

Booster Club Reporter: What can water polo teach a young athlete?

Morgan: That hard work pays off. And to not ever give up, even when losing a game. Joining a team is also an excellent way of socializing and making new friends and you get to represent your school. It can reveal a talent one may not even know about.

Booster Club Reporter: And what attracts you to water polo?

Morgan: I thrive on competition. I love a good game whether I am playing it or watching it. I love to compete against my peers from other teams because it makes me a better player. In water polo it takes a team to win a game. I love playing on teams where each player knows their role and knows how to execute it. When you lose, all you can do is to move on and try to improve your skills for the next game. I always look forward to playing the next game.

Booster Club Reporter: What drives you forward?

Morgan: I have been fortunate to have excellent coaches such as Martin Bell, Lucy Tiffin, George Horn.

It can be a very humbling experience to play at the Elite level against some of the best players in the U.S. The coaches and those experiences continue to drive me to improve my skills. When I play against better teams, specially when I have friends on the other team, I often think of this quote: "If you can't be them; beat them."

Booster Club Reporter: And who inspire you to get better?

Morgan: My parents. They provide a lot of support for me and my goals as an athlete. They have taught me to be a good person and have shared their love of sports. I am fortunate to have people in my life who really care about me.

Booster Club Reporter: What the future holds for you?

Morgan: I have not made any college decisions at this time. I would love to continue to compete and play water polo in college so I am working on finding the right school for my major and water polo. I aspire to move to California and become a marine biologist.