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Revenge on any level of basketball is sweet. But a recent win for the Santa Cruz Rollercoasters was a special one to savor.

The Rollercoasters, in their inaugural year as a member of the Northern California Wheelchair Basketball Conference, avenged a season-opening loss to Santa Rosa with a 41-37 overtime victory at Watsonville High Dec. 16 for their first-ever win.

"Up there (in Santa Rosa) they beat us in the fourth quarter with a fullcourt press," said 'Coaster Ted Kamo. "We'd only been practicing for a few months together and we just fell apart.

"But this time we went out and played right with 'em," he added. "We pulled a fullcourt press right from the start."

Santa Cruz' Jack Duffy (left in upper left photo) and Jon Wittmer (right in upper left photo) typified the type of pressure applied as they surround Santa Rosa's Bill McGrath.

Peter Arballo (left) chases the ball down the court and Joe Napolitano (above) eyes the hoop just before releasing the ball.

And below, all eyes are on the ball shot by McGrath.

Santa Cruz' next game is slated for Saturday, Jan. 6, at 1 p.m. at the Veterans' Administration Hospital in Palo Alto.

The Roller Coasters next home game is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 20, at 1 p.m. at Harbor High. The 'Coasters also have home games on tap Feb. 3 and Feb. 10 at Harbor.

