



On The Ball

Guildford McCredie USC (is an activity of Holroyd Uniting Church.)

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Our annual Presentation will
take place on

Friday 10th November 2023,
6.45pm start

at Granville South High
School Hall

Tuesday 22nd August 2023

Preliminary Finals

U9 Red vs Greystanes FC Black 0 - 1

We were pumped, we were ready, we played hard, and we had our chances, but in the end luck wasn't on our side and we conceded a goal in the last 3 minutes of the game. Although there were many tears, the boys should all be so proud of far they have come in the competition. At the beginning of the season we had many players who were not only new to the team but new to soccer and to see them all improve so much in this last game shows that they are all winners regardless of the outcome.

U9 White vs Greystanes FC White 0 - 2

U12 White vs OLQP Falcons White 1 - 0



It is always stressing playing the Falcon team as we know it can go either way. With all the support on the side line cheering them on, the boys were very nervous and all they could show was kicking the long ball back and fro like some kind of a tennis game. At half time score was still 0-0. Coach had to speak to the boys to reset their mindset. Second half started and we saw some better soccer being played. The defence worked hard to break any attacks that came our way and the midfielders ensured we got the through balls to our front attackers. A great break with 5 minutes to go until full time, saw Daniel score a great goal and securing the lead. From there on it was about defending to ensure that we secured the lead and secured our spot against our beloved McCredie Red in the Grand Final. Go McCredie!!!
 Goal scorer: Daniel Depares 1.

Raahauge Cup Firsts vs St Johns Bishopthorpe Glebe 1 - 1 (4-2 on penalties)

We didn't play amazingly but we played with some heart. The goal came midway through the second half when Alex broke from the back and in open play beat 4 to set up the attackers. Any one of three could have knocked it in, but Zaid got there first. We then defended hard, Mahdi showing some fantastic energy and Deng speed. With 6 to go the lights went out. Would would happen? Nobody knew as we stood there in the dark. After 12 minutes they were back on and we had just 6 minutes to play. With 2 minutes left St Johns won a free kick and converted it. We were back to square one and after 20 minutes extra time, still we were all level. Penalties. We scored 4 in a row and St Johns missed 2. Grand final time!

Goal scorers - Zaid Hamze 1, Krish Shrestha 1, Alex Rusu 1, Chris Germanos 1, Hamid Azimi 1

Wednesday 23rd August 2023

Preliminary Finals

U10 White vs Greystanes FC Black 0 - 1

U11 White vs Greystanes FC White 1 - 3



Sadly, tonight our season came to an end but we are so proud of our team. The game started strong with a break by Jeremias from kick off nearly resulting in a goal. The first half was evenly matched between both teams with our attack and defence working hard. After half time, GFC started with force and put us onto the back foot and sadly their attack found gaps in our defence. Our goal came from a penalty kick which Joachim belted in. Although the season ended in the prelim final, we can look back on the season and be happy - there were up and downs but the team stuck together. A huge shoutout to all of our team - Ali O, Ali T, Arad, Emily, Eyad, Gabby, Jeremias, Joachim, John, Michael, Muhammad, Owliya, Raphael, Xavier and Youssef - who sadly missed playing after getting injured at training. Another huge shoutout to all of the parents as well - we have the best cheersquad in the comp. Congrats team on a wonderful season.

Goal scorer: Joachim-Cruz Taliauli 1

U13 Red

vs McCredie White

3 - 0



Reds were understandably nervous going up against the Whites. Boys were watching the ball and were doing short passes. Whites attacked, Gethyn, Brandon, Nabil, Elio, and Luke were pushing them to the side and shutting them down. Second half was sooo much better. Passing was longer from the midfielders (Ghadir, Shabir, Abbas, Zanyar and Daniyal). Bilal, Ali E, Chable, Ali Y, and George were finding spaces and chasing the ball. Never saw them run so much all season. Woo hoo! Well done Reds. Now to take on Onyx for the prize Pom - Charble and Ali E

Goal scorers - Charble Dib 2, Ali El Dakkour 1

U13 White

vs McCredie Red

0 - 3



Premier League Reserves

vs St Columbas Castle Hill Orange

2 - 4

Goal scorers - Ahmed Dbouk 1, Wil Wark 1

Fantastic final Saturday - 6 Grand Finals - 6 Premierships!

Saturday 26th August 2023

U8 White

vs Greystanes FC White

1 - 0



Wonderful effort team! You're the U8 White 2023 Premiers! The coaches, manager and parents are so proud of you! The team has taken both the minor premiership and the premiership. It was a very tough match. We had drawn once and beaten Greystanes FC White three times this year but they beat our big rival, Inter Parra whom we hadn't beaten this season, on Tuesday. It was end to end play with two evenly matched sides unable to break the deadlock in the first half. Early in the second half, Irfan slotted one home to take us up by one. Greystanes never let up and neither did we. Irfan came close to scoring a second 5 minutes from full time but was stopped by their goalie. Magnificent defending by Jess as always who was also a threat as she would dribble from the

defensive line all the way past halfway. Jacob stepped up with his tackling which was wonderful to see and he was his usual unstoppable running self. Milan, our ever dependable and agile left back did his job and shut down multiple tracks. Thank you Milan. Pablo did his usual big kicks to clear balls from the defensive line. Pablo's efforts are always appreciated. Zayden played goals in the first half and was fantastic before heading into the midfield and front to keep the opposition on their toes. George was his usual hard tackling and strong dribbling self and also played goalie in second half. A very good all-rounder who sets the standard for tackling in the team. Neal P kept the midfield moving and fed balls to the front. Wonderful footwork and strong tackling. Neil S covered midfield and defence and has proven to be a versatile player. An enthusiastic player who has gone from strength to strength this season. Thomas' speed kept the opposition on their toes as he played up front and in the midfield. Also, a very versatile and dependable player who had a few shots at goal and was unfortunate not to score one himself. Congratulations team, you deserved this grand final win after the consistent season. Special mention to Irfan who has scored more than 60 goals this season. And thank you to our coaches Karim and Peter. Without their efforts and constant encouragement, we may not have made it today. Thank you to all parents who helped with washing jerseys, giving lifts, bringing oranges and everything in-between. I hope everyone has a well-deserved break and I look forward to seeing you all next season.

Goal scorer - Irfan Hussain 1

U10 Girls

vs Greystanes FC

3 - 0



Fantastic work U10s!! With our Defensive line dropping back and running up when needed! Our midfielders played beautifully with getting that ball up to the strikers and scoring 3-0 Thank goodness for this amazing group of girls!! We did it!! Thank you all for an awesome season see you all at the presentation night!!

Goal scorers: Izzy Abdou 1, Aaliyah ElCharouk 1, Claire Leke 1

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U12 Red

vs McCredie White

3 - 2 (penalties)



What a way to end the season. All Guildford McCredie grand final. Full of energy and nerves, the team kept their heads on and went in the game with a positive attitude. We had plenty of possession and runs but were met with



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strong defence from our opposition. A lot of good plays but still couldn't score, both teams saved their best games for the end. A lot of tired legs but they kept on going. Half time scoreless and both teams had to go back to the drawing board. New strategy and positions saw the same edge of your seat action. It was an arm wrestle to see who could outlast the other. Our keeper saved a crucial last second attempt and both teams ended scoreless. Extra time went by too quickly for everyone's liking. Penalty shootout! We knew we had the edge as we have the best keeper in the world. Both teams got their first 2 shots, but that's when Sebasjin stepped up and save the 3rd shot. Pressure was for our 3rd shot, Lukacs didn't panic and made sure of the goal and the championship. Kids cheering, parents cheering, everyone running onto the field to celebrate.

It was a tough way for our whites to lose, they worked so hard all season and today showed how good they are and their potential to be even better. So proud of both teams to make it an amazing result for our club.

A massive thank you and appreciation to all our players, our regular substitute players Michael, Joachim, Ellie and Muhammad, parents and supporters. for an amazing and unforgettable season!! Player of the match: Sebasjin Tuki

Penalty scorers: Nathan Borg, Logan Chen, Lukacs Bausse

U12 White

vs

McCredie Red

2 - 3 (penalties)



Unfortunately wasn't the result that the boys were hoping for today but it's always a 50:50 chance playing the Reds. I want to take this opportunity to thank both teams for giving the spectators the best game to watch for the day and keeping us all on our toes. On more serious note the boys were just amazing. Unluckily, even though

we dominated the game and had shots at goal, we couldn't get in the back of the net, forcing the play to go into extra time and from to lose the battle in the penalty shootout.

Goal Scorers (Penalty Shootout): Julian Azar 1; Jonah Cicchini 1.

U13 Red

vs McCredie Onyx

0 - 4



The Reds were outclassed today. Boys were sluggish and uncertain. It was demoralising how quickly Onyx scored. Reds just couldn't recover. The boys were trying their hardest to tackle, dribble and pass. They kept on running and trying. It was great to see all the supporters screaming encouragement, instructions, and cheering. Even though we lost today, the team had peaked at the right time. The boys came together and enjoyed the whole season. Player of match - George for always pressuring and chasing the ball Coach's encouragement award - team

U13 Onyx

vs **McCredie Red**

4 - 0



Goal scorers - Stefan Rusu 2, Jason Azar 2

U13 Div 2 Prelim final

vs **Wenty Waratah**

1 - 2

Goal scorer - Daniel Alouche 1

U14 Div 3 Prelim final

vs **Lidcombe Waratah**

0 - 1

Raahauge Cup

vs Wentworthville Uniting Gold

2 - 0



Great game to finish the season. Aaran, Mahdi, Peter and Anthony were particularly strong today, but nobody was poor. Alex's first half strike was like a tracer bullet and it was nice to go into half time with a lead. The second half was an arm wrestle, but with 15 minutes left Krish was set free and he too rocketed a ball into the back of the net. We continued to be tested but with the two goal cushion, we were not going to be run down. Minor prem and Grand final winners after a preliminary final win on penalties. Doesn't get better than that! Goal scorers - Alex Rusu 1, Krish Shrestha 1

Premier League

vs Bexley Lions

5 - 3



Second year running - great job boys defending your title. Even better - the treble! Six a side, State Cup and Premier league. I will check the records, but I am unsure if that has ever been done before. Well done to an awesome squad - the envy of all your opponents.

Goal scorers - Wil Wark 2, Bright Owusu 1, Jonathon Manibog 1, Terrence Makunde 1

Sunday 27th August 2023

U14 Girls preliminary final

vs

Quakers Hill Tigers

at William Lawson 1

(Myrtle St., Prospect)

10.20am Kick off (meet at William Lawson at 9.50am)

Sunday 2nd September 2023

U14 Girls Grand Final

pending winning preliminary final vs Quakers Hill Juniors