



GUILDFORD MccREDIE
UNITING SOCCER CLUB
ANNUAL REPORT

2001





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President's Report

2001 proved to be a truly outstanding year for McCredie Uniting Soccer Club, with an increase in the number of teams and players over 2000. In 2001 there were 9 teams (7 in 2000) and 120 players (90 in 2000), and several teams were highly successful throughout the season, with the under 11 team undefeated premiers, under 12s premiers, and both the under 10 and 8 teams were runners up. All players in all teams are to be commended for their attitude to games and for the fine spirit of sportsmanship in which games were played. We must however, pay special tribute to the coaches and managers, who give countless hours to ensure that young players have the opportunity to participate in a valued and high quality competition. Without the coaches and managers, there would be no teams!

The success achieved by McCredie Uniting Soccer Club in recent years owes much to the tireless effort and organisational skills of Greg Wark. His commitment and leadership are an inspiration to all who are involved in the club – thankyou Greg!

Finally, congratulations to all team members, coaches and managers for a great season in 2001.

Mal Hewitt
President



Secretary's Report

In Guildford McCredie Uniting Soccer Club's third season we were able to field five junior teams in the Under 14, 12, 11, 10 and 8 age groups, two mini teams in the under 7 and 6 age groups and two senior teams in the Raahauge Cup competition.

2001 will be hard to top with regards to success on the field. Our under 12s and under 11s were competition premiers, the under 11s being undefeated. The under 10s and the under 8s were competition runners up. In addition, our senior teams were both semi finalists, the first team also making the final of the A Grade Knockout and the semi final of the State Cup, the under 11s were Knockout runners up, the under 8s were President's Cup runners up and the under 10s finished runners up in the six a side competition. Fantastic results.

Another first this year was the registration of our first McCredie ladies. The under 7s and 12s both had young ladies playing but it is a myth that your name must be Toni to play with McCredie!!

Whilst our parental support at McCredie remains the envy of most clubs and it remains a delight to see so many of our parents supporting their children and forming friendships with other parents, there were some less pleasant incidents this year. Soccer on Saturdays and training is not child minding. No child minding services are this cheap and while parents are not expected to be present at all times (particularly at training) children cannot be left uncollected after soccer has finished. This is both inconsiderate to the volunteers who give up their time and insulting to the parents who go to great lengths to provide for their children who may be playing in different age groups at different grounds. As stated in all our literature at the start of the season, this club expects high standards of behaviour from our players, parents and officials. No abuse of officials or players (even if they are your children) will be tolerated. Soccer is meant to be fun, for everybody, and abusing players or officials does you no credit.

It is again hoped that next year McCredie will be able to grow and enter more teams in more age groups. To do this we will require the players to bring their friends along next year. We will also require more coaches, managers and other helpers to make this possible. Coaching and referees courses will again be offered in March and April next year so please consider how you can assist the club. Volunteers are sought now to assist with the running of your club.

Thankyou to all the coaches, managers and associate referees for your assistance throughout the year. No club can function without your support. With this in mind next year we will be looking for volunteers to take control of fundraising. In 2001 we did not conduct a 'major' fundraiser as we did not have a person willing to take charge. As such our financial situation has suffered.

Don't forget that the registration days are the first two Saturdays in February at Granville Park between 8am and 11am or on the first two Sundays in February at McCredie Uniting Church between 12pm and 2pm. You can also register any time up until then by seeing me but remember no registration will be accepted without a \$20.00 deposit. Please register early as I would hate anybody to miss out.

Greg Wark



Guildford McCredie Uniting Soccer Club
Income and Expenditure Statement for 2001 Season

INCOME

| | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Registration Fees | \$10,489.00 |
| less discounts | -\$321.65 |
| Uniform Sales | |
| - Socks | \$412.00 |
| - Shorts | \$191.00 |
| - Jackets | \$105.00 |
| Canteen Sales | \$3,113.70 |
| Fund Raising | |
| - Easter Raffle | \$206.00 |
| - Major Raffle | \$460.00 |
| - Donations | \$40.80 |
| Other | |
| - Interest | \$8.00 |
| - Referees Fees | \$168.00 |
| TOTAL INCOME | <u>\$14,871.85</u> |

EXPENDITURE

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| NSWCFA Fees | |
| - Club Registration | \$50.00 |
| - Team Registration | \$5,856.00 |
| - Fines | \$25.00 |
| Coaching Fees | \$140.00 |
| Refund of Registration Fees | \$130.00 |
| Uniforms | |
| - Jerseys | \$979.80 |
| - Socks | \$305.00 |
| - Shorts | \$160.00 |
| - Jackets | - |
| Equipment | |
| - Balls | \$512.01 |
| - Witches Hats | \$40.00 |
| - Nets | \$255.00 |
| - Misc. | \$162.62 |
| Trophies | \$879.35 |
| Ground Fees | \$792.00 |
| Canteen | |
| - Drinks/Chips/Lollies | \$1,989.53 |
| Printing | \$30.00 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURE | <u>\$12,306.30</u> |

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SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS

Sponsorship of Guildford McCredie Uniting Soccer Club will gain the sponsor the right to have their business name on club jerseys and some advertising in the weekly newsletter that is distributed to players and parents following each round.

Names will remain on jerseys for a minimum period of two years and for the life of the jersey.

Sponsors will not necessarily be considered exclusive sponsors and other businesses may also gain the right to utilise shirt space on the opposing side of the jersey. The Club does assure potential sponsors that competing businesses will not be considered for sponsorship.

SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION

Sponsor's name _____

Sponsor's Home Address _____

Home Telephone Number _____ Work _____

Please indicate Preference:

- Club Sponsorship (\$3000)
- Team Sponsorship (\$550)
- Other _____

Printing Details _____

(eg. Business name,
telephone number)

Please enclose payment with this application (cheques should be made out to McCredie Memorial Uniting Church) and forward to the club Secretary or Treasurer. Unsuccessful applications will be refunded immediately.

Thankyou for your support,

Greg Wark
Secretary



Under 6 Team Report

What a great year! When the boys played their first trial game against Greystanes they enjoyed themselves but didn't look like much of a soccer team. However, by the time the competition started they had begun to show their true potential.

The boys played 17 competition games and recorded 12 wins, 1 draw and 4 losses.

The Six-a-Side knockout was also exciting with the boys reaching the semi-final before losing by one corner.

The team underwent some changes during the season due to the unavailability of some players, sickness and late registrations, but every one of the boys showed amazing improvement in their soccer skills throughout the year whilst still enjoying playing the game.

THE PLAYERS:

Junior Clark – was our leading goal scorer for the season with 31. It didn't take Junior long to realize that he could score goals and he began to make a regular habit of it. His shots from wide out were great to watch.

Ibrahim Ada – displayed some outstanding soccer skills throughout the season. He was tireless in defence and scored some great goals. His individual goal against OLQP Falcons in Round 16 was a gem.

Tom Semialjac – was our best defender and more often than not our last line of defence. He always turned defence into attack and constantly set up scoring opportunities for his team-mates.

Emmanuel Eid – was always in the thick of things, both in attack and defence. His skills improved greatly in the second half of the season and he always gave 100% effort.

Jason Youssef – played every game like it was a grand final. Jason would run himself ragged and still come back for more. He went overseas during the latter part of the season and his skills were sorely missed.

William Taouk – This was William's second season of soccer and was he excited when he scored his first goal! William also did some good work in goals when needed.

David Youssef - really enjoyed his soccer and always had a smile on his face to prove it. Unfortunately, he missed the latter part of the season when he went overseas.

Joshua Batten – decided early in the season that he wanted to be a goalkeeper. His diving saves stopped many goal attempts and he often kept us in the game.

Justin Aviet – was a late addition to the team but by the end of the season he was showing great improvement in the game.

Jonathon Batistini – only played a few games this season due to travelling overseas and then sickness. He showed considerable improvement in the games he played and is a promising soccer player.

Even though Under 6 soccer is non-competitive, I believe the boys were one of the top two or three teams in their division. If they continue to play and improve, they should have an even more successful season next year.

Thank you to all the parents and friends for their support – we had a great cheer squad every time the boys took the field – and we hope to see you all again next season.

Ian Warwick – **Coach**

Peter Warwick - **Manager**



Under 7 Team Report

The U/7's season began well with a team of enthusiastic and energetic players. This showed in our trial matches with good results shown in all. Throughout the season many players gained valuable experience in various positions. At the beginning of the season the team tended to show better results in the first half of the match compared to that of the second. This improved however after only a few matches as all the players began to show more experience and initiative to attack the ball. All the players made valuable contributions throughout the season and showed many skills in many positions.

John Koster – John began the season as goalkeeper but later changed to defence. John proved himself valuable in both positions and defended well all season with many strong tackles.

Toni Gialdini – After only the first match Toni took on the full time role of attacker showing great potential when scoring many goals, which often kept us in the game. Toni showed great power and direction in her kicks and often left opposition goalkeepers wondering.

Jonathon Bayeh – Jonathon was unfortunately only with us for a short time of the season. During this time Jonathon showed great improvement in his defensive position.

Mohammad Ghoneim – Mohammed proved himself valuable both in defence and attack throughout the season. He was a very keen and enthusiastic player and showed great improvement throughout the season.

Gavin Burns – Gavin showed great improvement throughout the season particularly as our goalkeeper for the last few matches. Gavin showed great potential on all parts of the field.

Abdul Abdul Hamid – Abdul was always happy to be playing and this showed in his great enthusiasm in both attack and defence. Abdul particularly took to his attacking role towards the end of the year.

George Fakhri – Played the majority of the season as our goalkeeper where he showed great skill while saving many goals. Unfortunately George missed the last few games due to an overseas trip.

Zahir Sabra – Zac had a great season showing great power in his kicks and excellent ball control. Zac was a great team player who shared the ball around the field.

Nicholas Saliba – Nicholas had an excellent season in defence with great speed and accuracy in his tackles. Nicholas often set up many opportunities for his attacking players.

Anthony Farrah – A late addition to our team Anthony really enjoyed his soccer whilst showing himself to be a good contributor in our defence.

I would like to thank all of the parents, including my own mother, for all the support throughout the season. I would also like to thank my friend Ralph for his help in coaching throughout the year.

Stuart Drebber and Ralph Akl **Coaches**

Jamileh Fakhri **Manager**



Under 8 Team Report

It was a great experience coaching these boys this year. I had a lot of fun and I hope I made it fun for the boys as well. I learned new things with this bunch and I hope they learned from my experience with past coaches. It was a great season coming second just behind Wentworthville but we did not lose to them in the competition games which was a positive thing for us. We only just lost to them in the final of the President's Cup. The boys gave their all in the final but a lucky goal to the opposition proved to be it for them. We lost but we had fun getting to the final and the final result wasn't as important as the fact that we had got there in the first place.

THE PLAYERS:

Adem Stevens

Adem proved that size doesn't count being the smallest player on the team but one of the best. He has skill, is a great scorer and often helped his team when in danger at the back. His main weapon is his speed which he uses to great effect.

Amarvir Singh

Amarvir scored 19 goals in 17 games in the season and that says it all. He had skills, a great eye for goal, often helped out at the back and always played a great 1-2 with Adem. He made opponents look as if they were not playing, dribbling past them with ease. When he hit a shot we knew it was going in and good luck to the keeper trying to save it!

Dale Atkin

Dale was a great keeper often saving a lot of goals from going in. We missed Dale for a while when he missed a number of games because of sickness. We were happy when our first choice keeper returned. Dale also didn't disappoint when he had a run on the field. Dale was one of the reasons that opponents only scored 15 goals against us in 17 games this season.

Dharshan Sriranjani

Dharshan was a very good fullback, he did his team proud being solid in defence, fearless and breaking down opposition attacks. He never gave up chasing a player if they got past him.

Emil Wardini

Emil was a midfielder who always gave his best. When Emil connected with the ball with his left foot it was going places! He would hit it upfield and there was always Adem and Amarvir waiting.

Emilio Chalhoub

Little Maradona passed players with style. He was a great attacking midfielder helping the strikers but at the end of the season he played as a fullback and did a great job.

Joe Haddad

Joe was just everywhere. One second he's defending then the next he has the ball and is trying to score. His speed was a great advantage for him. Joe cleared out the back and if he got a free run good luck catching him! We are very lucky Joe is on our team.

Joseph Taouk

When Joseph is playing he tries his best at all times. He was a solid fullback never giving up, chasing them to the last second and clearing with his strong kicks.

Nathan Borg

Nathan had to be our fullback of the year. He was one of our strongest players, not afraid of anyone or getting hit. He broke down so many attacks and with Joe allowed us to feel very confident in defence. There is never any way Nathan will give up without a fight.

Rami Bou-Antoun

Rami was a midfielder who constantly did something special when you least expected it. Rami was a valuable team member, always trying his best and giving his all.

Rammy Sader

Rammy was a midfielder and fullback and was not scared of his opponents. Rammy's slide tackles were special and he often made good moves taking on players and beating them. We missed him at the end of the season when he went overseas.

Rajan Sivarajah

Rajan was a midfielder and keeper when Dale wasn't in goals. He was great in the middle helping the fullbacks and strikers. Every time Rajan gets the ball he looks up for one of our players to pass to which is excellent vision.

Rodney Keep

Rodney started the season at back but often went up front helping the strikers putting balls through. When he was at the back and the ball was rolling to him he would get under it with his good clearances. That was his weapon.

Sarkis Moujalli

Sarkis was a great midfielder running at opponents and defending. His weapon was winning free kicks with his courage and tackles. Sarkis was a great team player taking a number of knocks throughout the year.

Steven Bishay

Steven too was a midfielder often going for good runs and taking on players. Steven always tried his best and his skills developed as the season progressed.

I'd like to give thanks to Teresa and Gemma for everything they did for the boys and for helping me out also. I'd like to thank the parents and spectators who cheered the boys along, they enjoyed it and I know I did as well. Also everyone who came and helped out at training Jason, Rola, Jessica, and Mel. Also a special thanks to Greg for giving me this chance to coach.

I will be more than happy to come back and coach next season and try to take out the premiership! Of course I definitely want all the boys back as well. Good luck everyone.

Bobby Sugarevski
Coach



Under 10 Team Report

A successful season for the Under 10 team. We had just one competition game to finish in joint second place. We in fact lost less games than any other team in the comp., but a number of draws saw us unable to take first place.

Our team generally formed up with either Tim or Mat in goals. It was a real bonus this year to be able to call on either of these players to play this difficult position and know that it would be done well. Caner began the year sweeping but Toufic made this position his own as the season went on, allowing Caner the freedom to play in the midfield. Both these players are at their best in the sweeper role which is a bit of a waste actually as this is a crucial position in the defence and our team has two players who play it capably. Steven was our stopper. Steven's clearances are terrific but his growing awareness of playing balls to supporting team mates has been his greatest area of improvement this year. Outside Steven in defence is a combination of Chafic, Nabeel, Sam and Vaashnal. Our defence is the reason we were the toughest team in the comp to beat this year. Sam's improvement has been remarkable and Vaashnal in only his first season always showed determination and persistence. In the halves Tony and Abraham most often played outside John, Caner and Patrick. Patrick's understanding of the game is always invaluable and John's efforts particularly in the second half of the season were terrific. John never gives up, never complains, has good skills at passing and clearing the ball and is a coach's delight. Abraham's passing game developed throughout the season and Tony too had his moments of glory like in the last competition game where he played some nice passes and won man of the match. Up front Ahmed and John Paul created havoc for the opposition. These guys were developing a nice combination before John Paul 'went international'. Ahmed finished 47 goals this year, some were spectacular. Ahmed was certainly the focus for the end of our attacks but it was the work of the defence to repel our opposition and the halves and John Paul to 'feed' Ahmed. This was done really well in almost all our games. Next year though, for us to increase our potency, we need to develop more goal scoring options.

On one very disappointing day in July our team learnt a very valuable and tough lesson. Every day and every game counts. It was the day we were due to play the top team and the day we were due to play the knockout semi final. Flu and other reasons meant we had just 8 players in the morning and just 6 for the afternoon. Needless to say we lost the morning game, being unable to compete at anything like our normal standard and we had to forfeit the knockout semi. This was a very disappointing day.

At the six a side this year we entered two teams and had a very successful and enjoyable day. Our first side played some great six a side soccer in the quarter and semi final to make the final against Blacktown. Our other boys competed strongly but were knocked out by their own team mates in the second round when our teams played each other.

All in all the under tens had a good season but it's hard not to be distracted by thoughts of what might have been. To the parents who take seriously their responsibility of supporting their children and the club's management, including the coach and the manager, thank you very much. These parents are the majority and your efforts are much appreciated. When 15 boys aged 9 and 10 are running around with their friends twice a week learning sporting skills, responsibility and cooperation and having a good time while they do it, then the game is already won. Also important is when their parents are getting together and enjoying themselves whilst realising that this is their son's game not theirs.

I would particularly like to thank Folous for being manager and taking the additional responsibilities of contacting boys, filling in cards and collecting money and allowing me to concentrate on coaching.

I hope to see all the boys back next year as we seek to ensure McCredie's under 11s win a trophy or two in 2002.



Greg Wark, Coach

Under 11 Team Report

Building on the foundations of last year our team proved to be much too good for the rest of the division, recording some mighty wins, and completing the season undefeated. We did suffer some losses, but this was not until we played the top teams of the first division. Even then our efforts were commendable as we showed we were very competitive, going down 0-3 in the knockout final to the competition's top team) and 0-1 in the President's Cup.

Coach Gabriel put a lot of effort and time into the training of the boys and directing of the team, and the boys responded admirably. Parents rallied behind the boys with vocal support, oranges, drinks and general encouragement – all the components needed for an enjoyable time. And that's what it all should be – **fun**.

Four new members joined eleven of last year's under ten squad and were all made very welcome as they contributed their own skills, teammanship and sportsmanship to the team. As a mark of the attitude the boys showed to sharing glory within the team, no fewer than ten boys scored goals through the year, with a significant number sharing the less-than-favourite role of goalie.

Special highlights are difficult to single out in a season that had so many highs, but I must make mention of a few.

- The first half of the knockout final in which we held Blacktown Reformed to just one goal – and a lucky one at that.
- A similar performance in the President's Cup that saw scores nil all at half time.
- Round 15 in which we inflicted a 12-0 defeat on the hapless Blacktown Uniting with Yehia and Cihan scoring five goals each and romy putting away two beauties. This game saw our best teamwork and passing of the season. If only we could see teamwork like this every match!
- Our average winning margin for the season was six goals, with the wins becoming larger as the season progressed showing the manner in which the team was improving.

THE PLAYERS:

Bassam Ghoneim – A fast versatile player who put in plenty of hard work through the season. Bassam plays well in the midfield as well as being a potent force and goal scorer in the forwards. His determination never to give in is a great asset.

Cihan Ada – there is not a position on the field that Cihan cannot play with excellence. His very strong kicks proved to be lethal in front of goal and a real bonus when playing goalie. Yes, he even managed to score a goal while playing goalie. His free kick goal over the heads of the defence in the Knockout match against Wentworthville Uniting was not only pretty to watch but proved a match winner.

Gordon Armstrong – One of our newcomers this year Gordon fitted into the team well and impressed with his ball skills and determined play. His fighting spirit was the turning point in a couple of close games this season.

Yehia Ammoun – Mr goal scorer! With a skill for catching the opposition off guard and then outwitting them with his speed, ball skills and hunger for goals, Yehia was the linchpin of our attack all season. It will be exciting to watch him as we play stronger opposition next year.

Romy Abdul Hamid – A quiet determined, strong player Romy is always there when needed, managing to combine defensive skills with strong kicking, passing and goal scoring. He has had a fine season.

Haissam Abdul Hamid – Joining his brother and playing in a group above his age Haissam has not been daunted by the bigger kids but has got in, worked hard and improved steadily through the season. A good defensive player who demonstrates a strong team spirit.

Nathan Cross – Using his height to good advantage Nathan knows the value of good passes and as a result set his team mates up for scoring opportunities often as well as scoring a number of times himself. A versatile player he used his speed to move from attack back to defence on many occasions breaking up the opposition's attack.

Josef Strasshofer – Joey is another of our new members who was quick to make friends and fit into the squad, carving a spot as a valuable central defender. His work in combination with Kiril formed the basis of our defence.

Kiril Ivanovski – Kiril has continued to improve on the form he showed last year to become the centre of our defence and in doing so be the starting point of many of our attacking moves. Kiril has had a good season developing his kicking and ball skills to a strong standard.

Larry Smith – A never give in attitude sees Larry battling like a terrier around the opposition never giving them a chance to get a clear kick. Although he doesn't enjoy the position, he played some wonderful games in goals. His goal save in the first half of the Knockout match against Wentworthville was a match saver.

Jac Blanchard – Jac showed great improvement through the season to become a spirited, fast and consistent defender. Jac will not be playing with us next year but we encourage him to keep up the good work and continue to enjoy his soccer in Queensland. His application and strong team attitude should prove him to be a valuable addition to any team, as he has been to ours.

Jason Ghadieh – Quiet determination and hard work has seen Jason continue to improve. His kicking has improved to the point where his clearances from defence not only stopped the opposition's attacks but set up our own forwards for goal scoring moves.

Joshua Rodriguez – Joshua continues to work hard and develop his skills. He is a great team man and is very supportive of his fellow team members. Joshua listens to direction and works hard to put in his best effort.

Lewis Taouk – Lewis is another member to have shown strong improvement this year. He is really valuable due to his ability to keep in there and simply mess up his opponent's attempts to play the ball. Opposing teams learned it was easier to attack down the other side than to pass Lewis.

Jason El Youssef – JJ was another of our new players who worked hard to become a part of the team and is to be congratulated for his efforts. Jason tries hard and especially enjoys playing in mid field where he continued to improve throughout the season.

This season was a great success, not only because of the efforts of the players. I thank all the parents and supporters for their efforts and assistance in making this an enjoyable season for us all. Finally, congratulations to the boys on their sportsmanship, their sense of fair play and their support for one another. By helping and supporting one another you have provided yourselves a lot of success and fun.

See you again next season.

Errol Henderson

Manager



Under 12 Team Report

We had another exciting season. Congratulations team on an excellent result. This came about through a real team effort and obviously enjoying the game.

This made us the team to beat but not many of our opposition had the chance. Week after week I received the comment from the other managers, "we just want to beat McCredie today!"

Our results were:

- Won - 14
- Lost - 2
- Drew - 1
- Washed Out - 1
- Goals scored - 67
- Goals against - 8

This season we were able to play in our own age group which made a big difference. We had three players playing up an age and no players playing down.

We had 14 very eager players, which meant we had 3 players to interchange throughout the game. Also this season we were lucky we had three players willing to share goal keeping, this was done by rotating them over three games.

The season started really well, winning all of our trial games. Robert could tell we were going to have a good season, and we did! Some of our practice sessions were not real good, but when they were, the team developed great ball skills, which helped us win the competition.

Six-a-side

We were able to enter two teams both having two tough games. One team losing only by a corner.

Knock-out

Unfortunately we only got 2 games. We came up against Lidcombe (1st division leaders) in the second round. Our team played well, but some decisions didn't go our way. The team should be very proud of the team effort they put in, because we are!

THE PLAYERS:

Andrew Bishay - Joined the team part way through the season. This was his first year of playing soccer, he was very enthusiastic and we saw him improve with every match.

Bilal Ghoneim - This was his third season with us. Bilal played in the mid field and we could always rely on him to get the ball up the front. He is one of our best runners.

Erasmus Otapah - A new member to the team and continued to improve his kicking. Being one of our fastest runners was excellent at marking opponents especially when we played Penrith.

Erdem Bolat - Also a new member, he quickly developed excellent ball skill techniques and with experience I'm sure will become a top player.

Hickmat Ammoun - This was his second season with us. Hickmat was our highest goalscorer, he was also one of our goalkeepers. He was extremely enthusiastic, polite and always knew where we were on the table.

Jasvinn Singh - This was his third season with us. Jasvinn is a quiet achiever and an excellent sport. He also took his turn in goals and made many great saves.

John Semialjac - This was also John's third season with us. John was an excellent back, he was not afraid to tackle anyone and he saved the day on many occasions.

Mina Khela - He has been with us for three seasons. This season saw Mina become a very confident player and it showed with many goals. Amazing us with his long distance goal scoring.

Moheb Khela - This season Moheb was playing up an age but this didn't stop him in any way. Taking on opponents of any size and saving goals. He was part of a very effective defence.

Mohammed Naser - This was his first season with us and he also played up an age. He was a quiet achiever and a very important part of the team playing on the wing.

Raddad El Sleiman - He was a new member of our team. He was very enthusiastic and played hard. His determination saw him score a couple of goals.

Toni Strasshofer - This was her first season with us. She continually improved over the season and was also a very important part of the team playing on the wing.

Wayne French - He has been with the team for three seasons. Playing up the front he was always ready to part of attacking play and he also took his turn in goals, saving many goals.

Zeeshan Mirza - This was his first season with us. He was a quiet and polite player who was missed at the games on a number of occasions as he was a very important part of the team.

I would like to express thanks to those parents, uncles and grandfathers who continually came to the rescue by transporting team members to the away games. Without your help we would not have won the competition, as we would not have had a full team at the games on many occasions.

Thank you to the Strasshofer Family for donating the First-Aid Kit, it came in handy on many occasions. Also thank you for donating the numbers for the shirts. A special thanks to Steve for taking a training session for Robert.

We would like to thank Herb for his fitness training and coaching assistance. We missed him towards the end of the season due to a shoulder operation.

Robert and I would like to thank the parents for your continued support and hope to see you all next year.

Helen French
MANAGER



Under 14 Team Report

McCredie's under 14s were an entirely new team. Made up of some of McCredie's under 12s from last year a few under 14 boys from Merrylands High, some new boys to soccer and a couple of boys returning to McCredie after not playing last year. The majority of the team were under 13 with an under 12 and four under 14s. Also new were our coach, Beyhan who plays in the Raahauge Cup and Chandar who generously offered to manage the team.

The team began with crushing wins in their trial games, lots of goals from Shane and a very positive attitude to the coming season. Unfortunately one of our players was injured in the trials and Asim was not able to play with us again during the year.

As we review the year it is apparent that the luck of the draw did not go our way. Our opening four games were against the top four teams and we unfortunately got beaten badly early and never fully recovered our confidence. Having said this the team finished in sixth place out of ten teams and inflicted some crushing wins over opponents ourselves including an 11-2 drubbing of Blacktown Reformed in the final game.

Shane scored 28 goals this year which is a great effort in a team that at times struggled. Shane is clinical in front of goal and formed a good partnership with Ugur and Samet up front. Ugur finished his fair share of goals too and with his classy turns embarrassed plenty of opposing players. In the midfield Mohamed shone regularly making long runs up the flanks and feeding his team mates. Michael too was a standout. In his first season with the team his complete fearlessness in tackles and his never say die attitude won him plenty of admirers. Frank developed his clearances during the year and his size never fails to intimidate his opponents. The backs were held together by Shamil who had an outstanding season and played each week as well as any player on the park. His coolness in defence and his intelligence make him a very valuable player and the reason the under 14s remained competitive throughout the year. In support of Shamil at the back was Mark who could always be relied upon and Robbie. Robbie joined us during the season and fitted in quickly proving himself to be popular with his team mates and a good team player. Andrew and Joseph unfortunately left us mid season for an overseas trip. They were developing as good support for Shamil and Mark at the back and hopefully next year we'll see them back continuing from where they left off. Ross kept when he played and he proved himself to be very capable.

Unfortunately during the year we were often short of players. Despite having twelve registered players with overseas trips, an injury and other things we often called on younger players to help out. Thankyou so much to these players, two of whom scored goals for us (Ahmed who is actually an under 9 scored twice and Yehia scored also).

The six a side was a triumph for us. We didn't need a full team and we showed when we had the same numbers as our opposition we were highly competitive. On this day we made the semi final beating the highly favoured Wentworthville team (who has won this for a number of years) and losing to the eventual winners St Marys.

Next season the club is trying very hard to get a full under 14 team so that the boys can all play within their own age group. Now is the time to start bugging your friends and talking them in to playing with you next year.

Thank you to all the club people like Errol, Rob and Mohammed who supported us by arranging players for us and shouting encouragement and to Tony for looking after things while Chandar was overseas. See you all next year.



Raahauge Cup Report

The Raahauge Cup squad consisted of 32 players:

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| Andrew Davis | Ashwin Kumar | Beyhan Ada |
| Brendon Deppi | Carlos Calderon | David Beaver |
| David Menger | Erwin Lobo | Felix Cheung |
| Gaven Biber | Glen Mackenzie | Greg Wark |
| Jack Au | Leslie Steele | Manuel Kapsis |
| Martin Kennedy | Milenko Panavrevic | Nick Creer |
| Ozhan Gogebakan | Paul (Apo) Kardiosmenos | Peter Verhoeks |
| Philip Chan | Philip Rafter | Philip To |
| Richard Keep | Rob Porretta | Senol Ada |
| Sezgin Uzemov | Simon Trewick | Stuart Elliott |
| Sunil Mishra | Yilmaz Ada | |

This season proved to be a most enjoyable one for the Raahauge Cup boys. We achieved success beyond our pre-season expectations, we kept the majority of our old timers from previous years and we welcomed a swag of new players to the squad.

Before the season began we were not optimistic about our chances this year. In the off season our most respected player moved to Queensland, two other of our '1999 originals' decided not to play and the Association left us in first division. We also managed a poor start to the season in first grade losing unlosable games and having our goal keeper injured (falling off a chair at home!!). The reserves were going well though, which helped the squad keep their head up and our luck began to change. We stopped losing, we started our knockout and cup campaigns and we began to gel as a squad.

Our achievements at season's end included a State Cup semi final appearance including our elimination of a Premier League side, a Knockout final (lost in extra time on corners) and semi final appearances for both our reserves and firsts.

The reserve grade side was stronger in defence than previously and did not depend on first graders to hold it together. Dave Menger organised the defence well and with regulars Ashwin, Erwin, Les and 'the Beaver' kept all but the top teams at bay. Our regular midfield of Richard, Ben, Gaven and Yilmaz improved over the season with Yilmaz's efforts remarkable. Yilmaz showed great improvement in just his second year of soccer. Positionally he has now 'worked it out' and his unselfishness when it comes to passing to whoever is in the best position and with regards to accepting his substitution on occasions is the mark of a team player. It needs noting that Sez's departure overseas probably robbed the reserves of the little bit of class they required in the middle (he'll be back next year guys). It was up front however, where the reserves were most impressive. Peter and Senol cut their opposition to pieces.

In the firsts Greg and Ozzie played up front all year and Ozzie made the best defences look ordinary. We didn't lose a game all year when Ozzie and our goal keeper both played. Ozzie's broken collar bone in the Knockout Final, a week before our competition semi, was unfortunately a most critical moment of the season. Carlos, Phil Chan, Marty, Nick, Sunil and Macca played in the midfield most often. Phil Chan had a terrific season and Carlos won a lot of ball for us with his speed. In the backs Andrew worked his way into the squad from reserves and whilst he doesn't enjoy the backs his speed, tenaciousness and tackling abilities are well utilised there. Manuel, Philip, Apo and Rob worked well together in defence complimenting each other. Firsts' biggest problem this year was indiscipline with three players being suspended for receiving too many yellow cards and three players being sent from the field. There is no doubt we lost games because we had first string players sitting on the sideline watching and we must work on this for next year.

With regard to goal keeping we played with three specialised keepers this year which was a novelty after previous years playing with one or none. Stuart started in firsts before finding chairs too difficult to manage. Simon stepped up and kept very well. Jack kept reserves and his courage and commitment saw him keep pressure on Simon for a place all year.

A quick perusal of the names of the players in the squad gives an indication of our multiculturalness. This was a strength of our teams with players from a number of cultural backgrounds and made for an enjoyable community of guys to spend a Saturday afternoon with.

Thankyou to the associate referees for your assistance. In this competition it is a requirement that each squad provide qualified referees to act as linesmen. It is not easy to find people willing to sit the exam and take on the responsibility on Saturdays. We would all like to thank Richard, Erwin, David, Ian and Macca who generally shared the responsibilities, and to Jack and Gaven who completed their exams so they can help out next year.

Thanks to all the players who supported me as manager. This year we didn't have the battles of not having enough players and success on the field followed. Congratulations guys on a successful season and I hope to see you all back for another go next year.

Greg Wark
Manager



CLUB TROPHIES

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| Under 6 Player of the Year | 1999 - Amarvir Singh 2000 - David Semialjac 2001 - Junior Clark 2002 - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 7 Player of the Year | 1999 - Ahmed Abdul-Hamid 2000 - Amarvir Singh 2001 - Toni Gialdini 2002 - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 8 Player of the Year | 1999 - Caner Temel 2000 - Ahmed Abdul-Hamid 2001 - Joe Haddad 2002 - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 9 Player of the Year | 1999 - Nathan Cross 2000 - Cem Tekirdag 2001 - Toufic Haddad 2002 - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 10 Player of the Year | 1999 - David Sallak 2000 - Yehia Ammoun 2001 - John Ghabach 2002 - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 11 Player of the Year | 2000 - Bilal Ghoneim 2001 - Kiril Ivanovski 2002 - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 12 Player of the Year | 2000 - Michael Atkin 2001 - Jasvinn Singh 2002 - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 13 Player of the Year | 2001 - Michael Kitto 2002 - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 14 Player of the Year | 2001 - Mohamed Ammoun 2002 - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Runners Up Senior Player of the Year | 1999 - David Menger, Peter Chapman-Stone 2000 - Glen Mackenzie, Philip Rafter 2001 - Apo Kardiasmenos 2002 - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1999 - | Amarvir Singh | u6 | 42 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Runner Up- | Greg Wark | RC | 32 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000 - | Amarvir Singh | u7 | 46 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Runners Up- | Ahmed Abdul Hamid | u9 | 30 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | David Semialjac | u6 | 30 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2001- | Yehia Ammoun | u11 | 50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Runner Up - | Ahmed Abdul Hamid | u10 | 47 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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Williams Shield - Junior Player of the Year

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| 1999 - Adem Stevens | Under 6s |
| 2000 - Caner Temel | Under 9s |
| 2001 - Hickmat Ammoun | Under 12s |
| 2002 - | |

McCredie Shield - Senior Player of the Year

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| 1999 - Steven Maltby |
| 2000 - Peter Chapman-Stone |
| 2001- David Menger |
| 2002- |



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| UNDER 8 (Central Div.) | UNDER 10 (Division 1) | Final Points | UNDER 11 (Division 2) | UNDER 12 (Division 2) |
| Wentworthville Uniting 29 | Blacktown Reformed 30 | Guildford McCredie 34 | Guildford McCredie 29 | Guildford McCredie Uniting 29 |
| Guildford McCredie 24 | Guildford McCredie 27 | OLQP Falcons 27 | Penrith Churches 23 | Penrith Churches 23 |
| St Michaels Bauk. Hills 21 | OLQP Falcons 27 | St Bernadettes 18 | St Columbas Castle Hill Black 21 | St Columbas Castle Hill Black 21 |
| OLOR Kellyville 18 | St Columbas Castle Hill 25 | Carlingford Uniting 13 | St Michaels Baukham Hills 20 | St Michaels Baukham Hills 20 |
| Carlingford Uniting 15 | Carlingford Uniting 16 | Lower Mountains 5 | St Columbas Castle Hill Orange 8 | St Columbas Castle Hill Orange 8 |
| St Bernadettes 15 | Yaralla 16 | Blacktown Uniting 5 | St Marys Churches 1 | St Marys Churches 1 |
| Lidcombe Churches 13 | St Michaels Bauk. Hills 12 | | | |
| Yaralla 1 | OLOR Kellyville 12 | | | |
| | Coverdale 11 | | | |
| | St Bernadettes 11 | | | |
| | St Lukes Concord 9 | | | |
| | Penrith Churches 8 | | | |
| UNDER 14 (Division 2) | RAAHAUGE CUP 1STS | | RAAHAUGE CUP RESERVES | |
| St Matthews Baukham Hills (A) 32 | St Matthews Baukham Hills Prem | Castle Hill Baptist Prem | Castle Hill Baptist Prem | |
| St Marys Churches 28 | Castle Hill Baptist r/u | St Matthews Baukham Hills r/u | St Matthews Baukham Hills r/u | |
| Lidcombe Churches 28 | Engadine Crusaders 24 | St Lukes Concord 26 | St Lukes Concord 26 | |
| Wentworthville Uniting 25 | Guildford McCredie 19 | Guildford McCredie 21 | Guildford McCredie 21 | |
| St Matthews Baukham Hills (B) 16 | Eastern Star 12 | Campbelltown Wesleyans 12 | Campbelltown Wesleyans 12 | |
| Guildford McCredie 12 | Chester Hill Sports 12 | Engadine Crusaders 11 | Engadine Crusaders 11 | |
| Blacktown Reformed 9 | St Lukes Concord 12 | Chester Hill Sports 5 | Chester Hill Sports 5 | |
| Carlingford Uniting 8 | Wentworthville Uniting 8 | Wentworthville Uniting 3 | Wentworthville Uniting 3 | |
| Yaralla 5 | | | | |
| Blacktown Uniting 4 | | | | |



Club Goal Scorers

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| Yehia Ammoun u11 50 | Phil Chan RC 3 |
| Ahmed Abdul-Hamid u10 47 | Mohamed Naser u12 3 |
| Cihan Ada u11 31 | John Paul Ghabach u10 3 |
| Shane Tekyildiz u14 28 | Martin Kennedy RC 2 |
| Junior Clark u6 28 | Ashwin Kumar RC 2 |
| Toni Gialdini u7 25 | Nick Creer RC 2 |
| Amarvir Singh u8 23 | Milenko Panavrevic RC 2 |
| Ozhan Gogebakan RC 21 | Beyhan Ada RC 2 |
| Hickmat Ammoun u12 20 | Raddad El Sleiman u12 2 |
| Ibrahim Ada u6 19 | Erdem Bolat u12 2 |
| Greg Wark RC 14 | Erasmus Otapah u12 2 |
| Mina Khela u12 14 | Kiril Ivanovski u11 2 |
| Senol Ada RC 13 | Emilio Chalhoub u8 2 |
| Adem Stevens u8 13 | George Fakhri u7 2 |
| Ugur Biber u14 11 | Sunil Mishra RC 1 |
| Bassam Ghoneim u11 11 | Samet Lacin u14 1 |
| Peter Verhoeks RC 10 | Michael Kitto u14 1 |
| Mohamed Ammoun u14 9 | Toni Strasshofer u12 1 |
| Wayne French u12 9 | Moheb Khela u12 1 |
| Bilal Ghoneim u12 9 | Haissam Abdul Hamid u11 1 |

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| Romy Abdul Hamid | u11 | 9 | Larry Smith | u11 | 1 |
| Glen Mackenzie | RC | 8 | Jason Ghadieh | u11 | 1 |
| Mohomod Ghoneim | u7 | 8 | Sam Barrett | u10 | 1 |
| Rob Porretta | RC | 7 | John Ghabach | u10 | 1 |
| Jasvinn Singh | u12 | 7 | Tim Uzelakcil | u10 | 1 |
| Jason Youssef | u6 | 6 | Rami Bou Antoun | u8 | 1 |
| Andrew Davis | RC | 5 | Joseph Taouk | u8 | 1 |
| John Semialjac | u12 | 5 | Rajan Sivarajah | u8 | 1 |
| Gordon Armstrong | u11 | 5 | Nathan Borg | u8 | 1 |
| Joe Haddad | u8 | 5 | Gavin Burns | u7 | 1 |
| Tom Semialjac | u6 | 5 | Abdul Abdul Hamid | u7 | 1 |
| Carlos Calderon | RC | 4 | Zac Sabra | u7 | 1 |
| Manuel Kapsis | RC | 4 | David Youssef | u6 | 1 |
| Nathan Cross | u11 | 4 | William Taouk | u6 | 1 |
| Caner Temel | u10 | 4 | | | |



Club Achievements

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| 1999 | Under 6s Raahauge Cup Div. 2 Reserves | undefeated Semi Finalists |
| 2000 | Under 9 Division 2 Under 9 Knockout Under 9 President's Cup | Runners Up Runners Up Runners Up |
| 2001 | Under 12 Division 2 Under 11 Division 2 Under 10 Division 1 Under 8 Central Division Under 10 six a side A Grade Knockout Under 11 Knockout Raahauge Cup Div. 1 Firsts Raahauge Cup Div. 1 Reserves Under 8 President's Cup | Premiers Premiers Runners Up Runners Up Runners Up Runners Up Runners Up Semi Finalists Semi Finalists Runners Up |
| 2002 | Under 6 "white" Under 7 "Red" Under 9 "Lions" Under 7 "Red" Under 14 State Cup Raahauge Cup Div. 1 | undefeated undefeated six a side Champions six a side Runners Up six a side Runners Up |

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on **Sun 3rd Feb or 10th Feb 2002 from 12noon to 2.00pm**

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