United FC

Outstanding Season Start! A Month filled with Tournaments

Congratulations on an outstanding season start for United FC. Our teams have participated in five tournaments so far this fall. We had winning teams in each tournament.

United FC had two winning teams at the <u>Grand Rapids Crew Cup</u>, August 23-25. Our U12 Girls Green team coached by Jess Muftari, and our U13 Boys Green coached by Christos Karatsikakis. Both teams made it to the championship and trounced their opponents to take home first place trophies.



U12 Girls Green



U8 Boys Green

United FC also had a successful Labor Day weekend at the Michigan Classic

Tournament in Rochester, MI. Our U8 Boys Green team won their flight to carry home the first place trophy. Coach Peter Bucheli, "The U08 Boys Green team worked very hard by going undefeated, playing solid defense, showing good sportsmanship and an overall positive team effort. Congratulations boys!!" Also our U9 Boys Green Team won the lower flight of the U10 age division, coached by Greg Perkins, "U9s all worked very hard in an older age group, played some great soccer, with great attitudes all round. A well-deserved start to the year and a lot to look forward to." As for the girls, our U11 White team won the upper flight in their age division, coached by Ian Fairbroth-

the team had one win and three ties in group play. We were 1-0 down in the final, with 10 minutes to go. Then we scored 3 goals in those 10 minutes, a fantastic effort considering the girls were playing their fifth game in 48 hours."



U9 Boys Green

On September 7th and 8th, **United FC** teams participated in the <u>Petoskey Autumn Blast</u> where our U13 Girls Green team, coached by Jake Zammit, took 1st place in their division.

er, "It was a very tough division for the U11 girls, with a lot of parity,



U11 Girls White

Two tournaments happened on the weekend of September 21st and 22nd, Force Invitational and Traverse City Autumn Classic. The U9 Boys Green took 1st place for their division at the Autumn Classic. Coach Greg Perkins said, "The U9 Green Team played GREAT throughout, some top soccer on show!!!! I am really proud of what a SUPER group of boys and can't wait for the next game!!! To have 2 teams from the club in the final is a credit to everyone involved and shows the continuing rise of United FC.... GO UNITED!!" The U9 Boys White team, coached by Chad Gurzick, won 2nd place in the same division. Coach Chad had to say, "The future of United F.C.'s Boys Program has a very positive forecast as both U09 teams are experiencing success early on. The U09 White team has kicked off the fall season with the same intensity as in the spring at U08. This team has played in just two tournaments and earned their way to the

Championship Final of both. This team continues to exceed expectations." Also at the Force

Invitational, our U11 Girls Green team coached by Jake Zammit won their division. Coach Jake had to say, "This past weekend the U11 Girls Green team played in the Director's Academy division at the Force Invitational. In what turned out to be a thrilling double overtime Final, the girls ousted the Grand Rapids Crew 2-1, with a sensational goal

from Emily Rassel with 6 minutes to play. This victory marks the fourth tournament Championship in the past 12 months for this team.

Congratulations girls."

United FC is in full swing of our season and everyone is playing and working hard. Keep up the good work.





U9 Boys Green and U9 Boys White