# Alabi Attending the US Youth Soccer ODP Super Group - Sunday, December 27, 2009

Adrian Alabi of the U16 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite is at the Disney Wide World of Sports Complex competing, but not with his normal teammates. He is participating in the US Youth Soccer ODP Super Group with the 1994 Region III ODP Team. All four Regional Teams in the 1993 and 1994 have travelled to Orlando, FL to compete against each other at the Disney Soccer Showcase from December 27-30, 2009.

#### Concorde Attends Disney For Post Christmas -Sunday, December 27, 2009

The Concorde Fire Boys have travelled to Orlando, FL to compete in the Disney Showcase from December 27-30, 2009. This is one of the most prestigious tournaments in the entire country as the best teams from USYSA and U.S. Soccer Development Academy come to compete at the immaculate Wide World of Sports Complex and other local fields. The U15B CF Elite, coached by Ibrahim Abousaud, U15B CF South Elite, coached by Brian Moore, U16B CF Elite, coached by Adrian Powell, U15/16 CF Academy Team, coached by Gregg Blasingame, and the U17/18 CF Academy Team are all in attendance in the top groups in their respective divisions.

# Concorde Teams Earn Promotion and Championships in GYSA - Thursday, December 17, 2009

Concorde Fire had 4 teams earn either promotion or league champions in the GYSA league standings. The U19 Girl's Concorde Fire Elite, coached by Ibrahim Abousaud, were the lone Champions for Concorde this Fall season as they were winners of the Athena B East. Impressively, Concorde had 3 U14 Boys' teams that were promoted from their respective divisions. The U14 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite, coached by Gregg Blasingame, were runners-up in Classic I and have qualified to play in the Region III Premier League East in the Spring. The U14 Boy's Concorde Fire North Black, coached by Mike Gailey, were runners-up in Classic II and have been promoted to Classic I for the Spring. Finally, the U14 Boy's Concorde Fire South Black, coached by Colin Barnes, were runners-up in Classic III and have been promoted to Classic II for the Spring.

### O'Hara Named Finalist for MAC Hermann Trophy - Thursday, December 17, 2009

Kelley O'Hara has been named a Finalist to the MAC Hermann Trophy Award. She is one of three players in the country to make the final list for the highest individual award in college athletics. She is the reigning PAC 10 Player of the Year and the nation's leading goal scorer with 26 goals. O'hara and the other 2 finalists will head to St. Louis on January 8th for the announcement of the Missouri Athletic Club.

## Rutledge and O'Hara Named NSCAA All-Americans - Thursday, December 17, 2009

Malorie Rutledge and Kelley O'Hara have again been named to the NSCAA Women's Division I All-America Team. Both were named Player of the Year for their respective conferences, LSU and Stanford. Rutledge for the second year in a row has been named to the 3rd Team. O'Hara was a 2nd Team Selection last year and after leading the nation in scoring has been announced to the 1st Team.

#### U16B Elite Go Undefeated in National League - Thursday, December 17, 2009

The U16 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite began their US Youth Soccer National League weekend without losing. The first weekend of USYSA National League was in Wilson,



NC from December 10-13. The U16B CF Elite, coached by Adrian Powell, won 2 games and tied 2 against the top 4 teams in the league. Wins against Blast FC Red and Solar Red 94 and draws with Grand Rapids Crew Juniors and Sereno 94 White puts them in 3rd position with 3 games to go. They will be looking to get into at least 2nd position as the top 2 teams earn an automatic birth to USYSA Nationals in the summer.

O'Hara in Camp with Full Women's National Team - Thursday, December 10, 2009

Kelley O'Hara is in her second Training Camp with the full U.S. Women's National Team. The Camp has been going on from December 5-15 at the Home Depot Center in Carson, CA. She is among 24 players called into camp, while 6 are fellow collegiate players. O'Hara is currently a Finalist for the Hermann Trophy Award, the country's top collegiate player, and has again been named by US Soccer as one of the best "Young Females" in their "Best of 2009" voting. In January she will be making her way to Philadelphia for the WPS Draft with former Concorde Fire teammate and LSU standout Malorie Rutledge.

#### Raizes Called into U-15 BNT Camp - Wednesday, December 9, 2009

David Raizes has been called into the U.S. U-15 Boy's National Team Camp. 32 players from around the country born in the year 1995 have been called into this domestic training camp. Head coach Jim Barlow will be conducting this camp in Bradenton, FL from December 12-19, 2009. This will be the first time Raizes has been to the National Team level after impressing at the Region Team level over Thanksgiving. Raizes currently plays for the Region III Premier League East Champions U15B Concorde Fire Elite.

#### Concorde Fire Impresses at Nike Cup - Monday, December 7, 2009

Concorde Fire had an incredible showing at the Norcross Nike Cup this past weekend as 9 teams made the finals with 6 coming away as Champions. The most impressive part was in the U14 Boy's age group where Concorde sent 5 teams to the Final in 4 of the 5 brackets and won 3 of them. The U14B CF North Black (Gailey), U14B CF South Black (Barnes), and the U16G CF Black (Vialpando) were all Finalists with the U14B CF North Black and U14B CF South Black both losing in a Penalty Kick Shootout. The Champions at Norcross were the U12G CF North Black (Gailey), U14B CF Elite (Blasingame), U14B CF Black (Towns), U14B CF White (Frasher), U15B CF Elite (Abousaud), and the U16B CF South Black (Ewing).





U14 Boys Concorde Fire Black - Norcross Nike Cup 2009

#### Concorde Fire U17/18 Lead the Nation - Friday, December 4, 2009

Heading into the U.S. Development Academy Winter Showcase in Phoenix begins, the Concorde Fire U17/18 Boys are the top team in the country. This is largely due to the 10 game unbeaten streak that has only seen 1 draw in those games. A big contributor has been Carlos McCrary that has scored 17 goals in the first 13 games, which resulted in being named the first "Academy Player of the Week" by the Academy.

#### Concorde Fire Players Make Academy Select Teams - Thursday, December 3, 2009

For their play in the regular season thus far, Carlos McCrary and Andrew Wolverton have been selected to play on the U.S. Academy Select Teams during the Winter Showcase in Phoenix. McCrary leads the country in goals with 17 in 13 games for the U17/18 Concorde Fire Boys, while Wolverton has been apart of the U15/16 Concorde Fire Boys that have only allowed 13 goals in 15 games. Both players will be playing on the Academy Select Teams in their age groups at night during the Academy Winter Showcase.

#### 3rd Annual Winter Showcase Set for Phoenix - Wednesday, December 2, 2009

Concorde Fire U15/16 and U17/18 Academy Teams will be heading out to Phoenix, AZ this week for the U.S. Soccer Development Academy Winter Showcase from December 4-8, 2009. This is the 3rd Annual Winter Showcase that is in conjunction with the Nike International Friendlies, which will have friendlies between the U-17 Men's National Teams from Netherlands, Portugal, and Brazil. Concorde Fire will be playing against FC Delco (PA), Chicago Fire (IL) and Vardar (MI) in their out of conference Showcase games.



ECNL Begins for Concorde Fire at Final IV Showcase - Wednesday, December 2, 2009 Concorde Fire will start the season of the Elite Clubs National League (ECNL) this weekend at the Final IV Showcase. Concorde will be sending 5 teams to this Showcase event set before the NCAA Women's Final IV, in which the U15G CF South Elite (coached by Mac Williams and Brian Moore), U16G CF Elite (coached by Ken Kurilec) and the U17G CF Elite (coached by Gregg Blasingame) will be competing in their first set of ECNL games. The U17G CF Black (coached by Ken Kurilec) and the U17G CF South Black (coached by Colin Barnes) will also be there in front of one of the most heavily attended recruiting events during the year.

Ryce Scores for T&T U-17 WNT Against Mexico - Tuesday, December 1, 2009
Brianna Ryce was on the score sheet for the Trinidad & Tobago U-17 Women's
National Team against Mexico's U-17 WNT. This was the second game in Mexico
between the CONCACAF foes who are preparing for next year's FIFA Women's U-17
World Cup. Ryce currently plays for the U17G Concorde Fire South Black. She was
able to score in the first half before Mexico made a second half comeback.

Finalists and Semi Finalists for Concorde at Disney Jr - Monday, November 30, 2009 Concorde Fire advances two teams into the final four at the prestigious Disney Jr. Showcase in Orlando, FL. The widely attended Thanksgiving tournament that draws teams in from the East Coast to the Midwest and all the way out to Texas was held at the beautiful Disney Wide World of Sports Complex and surrounding fields. The U11 Boy's Concorde Fire Black, coached by Justin Towns, were Finalists, narrowly losing to Baltimore Bays (MD) in the Finals. They had earlier won the Semi Final "thriller" against FC America Sharks (FL) 6-5 as the Wild Card winner. The U14 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite, coached by Gregg Blasingame, were also Wild Card winners and advanced to the Semi Finals. Unfortunately, they came out on the losing end to the eventual winners, OLNEY BGC Rangers (MD).

Concorde Fire Boy's Represent Region III ODP - Friday, November 27, 2009 5 Concorde Fire players are representing the Region III ODP Teams at the US Youth Soccer ODP Boy's Thanksgiving Interregional. The event is held at the Disney Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, FL from November 27 - 30, 2009. Jack Gayton (U14B CF Elite), Jonathan Jarrett (U15B CF South Elite), Shabaan Abousaud (U15B CF Elite), Cameron Mosely (U15B CF Elite) and David Raizes (U15B CF Elite) were all competing for Region III at either the 1995 or 1996 age groups. Not only are they competing against the other 3 Region teams, but also the U.S. National Team that has been split up into 2 groups.

Concorde Fire in Disney For Turkey Day - Wednesday, November 25, 2009
Thanksgiving will be in Orlando, FL for many of the Concorde Fire staff and teams.
The Disney Jr. Showcase is held on the weekend after Thanksgiving and draws in some of the best competition from around the Southeast at the U10-U14 age groups.
Concorde Fire will have a huge presence by sending 8 teams:

U11 Boy's CF Black (coached by Justin Towns)

U12 Boy's CF Elite (coached by Mike Gailey)

U12 Girl's CF Black (coached by Ken Kurilec/Nick Frasher)

U12 Girl's CF South Black (coached by Brian Moore)



U13 Boy's CF Elite (coached by Everett Webb)

U13 Girl's CF South Black (coached by Colin Barnes)

U14 Boy's CF Elite (coached by Gregg Blasingame)

U14 Girl's CF Elite (coached by Alan Woods)

# Post Season Trophies Come in From CESA Fall Challenge - Tuesday, November 24, 2009

The first weekend of post-season tournaments has brought trophies in from the CESA Fall Challenge in Greenville, SC. The U12 Boy's Concorde Fire White, coached by Nick Frasher, were Champions of their group and the U14 Boy's Concorde Fire Black, coached by Justin Towns, were Finalists in their group. The U12B CF White won all 4 games by scoring 20 goals and only giving up 1, including a 6-0 win in the Final. The U14B CF Black also went the entire weekend by only giving up 1 goal, but unfortunately lost in the Penalty Kick Shootout in the Final.

# Concorde Teams are Finalists at Tornado Challenger Cup - Tuesday, November 24, 2009

Due to the wet conditions on Sunday throughout the state of Georgia, the Tornado Challenger Cup were forced to decide Champions and Finalists after results on Saturday. With that decision, 3 Concorde Fire teams were considered Runners-up; the U9 Girl's Concorde Fire Black, U10 Girl's Concorde Fire Black, and the U11 Girl's Concorde Fire White.

#### Concorde Fire Coach and Players in Coral Springs - Monday, November 23, 2009

Concorde Fire is represented in all 3 age groups at the 2009 US Youth Soccer ODP Girls Thanksgiving Interregional in Coral Springs, FL. The event brings all 4 Region teams to compete against each other from Sunday, November 22nd to Friday, November 27th. Brian Moore, South Director, is an assistant working with the 1993 Region III team, while Gabi Seiler, U15G CF South Elite, is playing with the 1994 Region III team and Savannah Jordan, U15G CF South Elite, with the 1995 Region III team.

#### U12B CF White Finalists in Germantown - Monday, November 16, 2009

The U11 Boy's Concorde Fire White, coached by Dori Hammond, were Finalists in at the Germantown Invitational in Memphis, TN. They won their group by beating teams from MO, TN, and AR. In the Semi Finals, they played Huntsville FC (AL) and won 4-2. Unfortunately, the Finals went to a Penalty Kick Shootout against Lobos Shawn (TN), in which the U12B CF White lost 4-2.

## U16B Book Their Place to Baton Rouge - Monday, November 15

The U16 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite, coached by Adrian Powell, have secured their place to the 2010 USYSA Southern Regionals in Baton Rouge, LA. They are the second team from Concorde to do earn their way by their Region Premier League placement, as the U15B CF Elite are already going. They ended the season n 2nd place in the RIIIPL East standings, which was good enough to get the automatic birth. This will be the third consecutive appearance for the 2008 Regional Finalists and 2009 Regional Semi Finalists.

Challenge Cup Dates Announced - Wednesday, November 11, 2009



The Concorde Fire Challenge Cup dates have been announced for 2010. The Concorde Fire Challenge Cup is a Premier Youth tournament that has attracted over 450 U9 to U14 teams from across the entire nation. They come to Atlanta for great competition at beautiful facilities before each team begins their season. For the first time in Challenge Cup history, the tournament will split into separate weekends for the Girl's and Boy's. The Girl's Challenge Cup will begin first on the weekend of February 20-21, 2010. The Boy's Challenge Cup will continue on it's normal weekend of February 27-28, 2010. Be the first to register your team!

#### U15B CF Elite Going to Regionals - Monday, November 9, 2009

The U15 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite are Champions of the Region III Premier League East. Winning the League has also booked their place at the 2010 USYSA Southern Regionals. Regionals next year will be held in Baton Rouge, LA from June 17 - 23, 2010. The U15B CF Elite, coached by Ibrahim Abousaud, won 9 games and lost 2 during the season after scoring 24 goals and only giving up the league leading 6 goals in 11 games. Congratulations to all the players, parents and coaches!

# Concorde Boys Invited to USYSA ODP Thanksgiving InterRegional - Sunday, November 8, 2009

Concorde Fire has more players selected to the USYSA Youth Soccer ODP Thanksgiving Interregional. The event occurs each year in which all of the four Region Teams from around the country come together to compete. 7 players from Concorde Fire have been invited to play: Shabaan Abousuad (U15B CF Elite), Adrian Alabi (U16B CF Elite), Jack Gayton (U14B CF North Elite), Jonathan Jarrett (U15B CF South Elite), Cameron Mosely (U15B CF Elite), David Raizes (U15B CF Elite), and Jacob Smith (U15B CF South Elite). All of these players will be attending the Interregional from November 26-30, 2009 with the exception of Smith due to injury.

#### Concorde Fire Does Well in Columbus Day Tournament - Tuesday, October 13, 2009

Concorde Fire was busy during the Columbus Day Weekend winning trophies at the combined Atlanta Fire United and Coweta hosted Columbus Day Challenge. In total, 9 teams from Concorde Fire were Champions or Finalists. Below is the list of teams and their coaches that brought home trophies from their respective groups:

U9B CF Central White (Jamie Hargather) - Finalists

U11B CF Central Black (Justin Towns) - Champions

U11B CF Central White (Dori Hammond) - Finalists

U11B CF North Red (John Mills) - Finalists

U12B CF South White (Colin Barnes) - Champions

U10G CF North White (Viktoria Frost) - Champions

U10G CF Central White (Josh McGlamery) - Finalists

U12G CF North White (Viktoria Frost) - Finalists

U12G CF South White (Brian Moore) - Champions (U13G)





U9 Boy's Concorde Fire Central White - AFU/Coweta Columbus Day Challenge '09





U12 Boy's Concorde Fire South White - AFU/Coweta Columbus Day Challenge '09





U10 Girl's Concorde Fire North White - AFU/Coweta Columbus Day Challenge '09

# Player of the Week Honors for McCrary - Saturday, October 10, 2009

Carlos McCrary was recognized as the U.S. Soccer Development Academy Player of the Week for the entire U-17/U18 Age Group. He is currently leading the country in goal scoring with 9 in 7 games. During the weekend trip to face impressive teams in Clearwater and IMG, McCrary scored 5 goals which led the team to a win and tie. His outstanding play has not only been noted by an individual award, but has propelled his team to top of the division.

#### USSF Region Scout Attending CF Training - Wednesday, October 7, 2009

Dave Rubinson will be attending Concorde Fire Training Sessions on Thursday, October 8th. Rubinson is the USSF Region III Scout and is trying to identify female players born in 1996 or 1997 into the National Pool. He has been on staff with U.S. Soccer for many years and has recently been on staff with the U.S. U-15 Girl's National Team.

# O'Hara a Finalist for Lowe's Senior CLASS Award - Wednesday, October 7, 2009

Former Concorde Fire player Kelley O'Hara is a Finalist for the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award this year. She is one of 10 players in the country selected for this honor. She is currently 2nd in the nation in scoring with 12 goals. In the third year of the award, the honor stands for Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School. She was selected by a media committee from 30 players and will now need the vote from the nation to win the award. Help Kelley win and vote online HERE.



# Jordan and Seiler Selected for Thanksgiving ODP InterRegional - Monday, October 5, 2009

Concorde Fire has 2 players selected for the 2009 US Youth Soccer ODP Girls Thanksgiving Interregional. Savannah Jordan (1995 Girls) and Gabi Seiler (1994 Girls) were identified for their play this past summer during ODP Region Camp when they were selected in the Region Team. They will be attending the event from November 22-27th, 2009 in Coral Gables, FL. Both currently play on the U15 Girls Concorde Fire South Elite.

#### McCrary and U.S. U-17 MNT Beat Chelsea FC U-17 - Friday, October 2, 2009

The U.S. U-17 Men's National Team beat famed Chelsea FC U-17 3-1 in a Friendly at Chelsea's Training Ground in Cobham, England. Jordan McCrary was a part of the win, playing the entire second half. McCrary was one of 22 players invited to the international training camp held for the team preparing for the FIFA U-17 World Cup in November.

#### Academy Teams Post Wins Against Virginia Rush - Monday, September 28, 2009

The Concorde Fire U.S. Soccer Development Academy teams compiled 2 wins on the weekend against the visiting Virginia Rush. The CF U15/16 Academy Boy's were able to capitalize twice to win 2-0, while the CF U17/18 Academy Boy's broke the 1-1 deadlock in the second half and held on to win 2-1 after a 30 minute lightning delay to finish the final 8 minutes. The wins keep their league positions in the Southeastern Division of the Southern Conference, since these were out of conference games. The U15/16 Boy's stay in 2nd position and have a game in hand to play on the leaders. The U17/18 Boy's remain in the 3rd spot after 3 games.

#### Golf & Tennis Tournament Dates Announced - Monday, September 28, 2009

The 2nd Annual Concorde Fire Golf Tournament and 1st Annual Tennis Tournament has been set for Monday, November 2nd, 2009. Both Tournaments will be held in conjunction at the Indian Hills Country Club in Marietta, GA. All players will receive a Bar-B-Q Lunch, "Welcome" Gifts from Nike, Prizes for the Winning Teams, and Raffle Prizes. Check-in for the tournaments will begin at 8:30am with a start time at 10:00am. Registration and Sponsorship Opportunities with information can be accessed through the Golf & Tennis Tournament Website. Save the date and start forming your Foursomes!

#### CESA Medalists for the U11G and U14B - Monday, September 21, 2009

The U11 Girl's Concorde Fire Black and U14 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite came back home with trophies at the CESA Classic held in Greenville, SC. The U14B CF Elite, coached by Gregg Blasingame, were Champions of their division by going undefeated in their games and out scoring their opponents 8 to 2. The U11G CF Black, coached by George Ashison, made the Finals in their division after winning their group with 2 wins.

#### McCrary Continues the Residency Tradition - Monday, September 14, 2009

Jordan McCrary has continued the legacy of Concorde Fire players attending the U.S. Soccer U-17 Men's National Team Residency Program. This will be his second year in Bradenton, FL at the IMG Academy. He is the seventh player from Concorde that has been called into the Residency Program. He will be a part of the U.S. U-17 MNT



that will be competing for the spots on the team to travel to Nigeria for the FIFA U-17 World Cup in October.

USSF Academy Begins with Wins over AFC Lightning - Tuesday, September 8, 2009

While most teams and families were resting on Labor Day, the Concorde Fire U.S. Soccer Development Academy Teams spent the evening starting their 2009-2010 season with 2 wins. The U15/16 CF Academy Boy's, coached by Gregg Blasingame, and U17/18 CF Academy Boy's, coached by Ken Kurilec, were able to beat their hosts AFC Lightning. The U15/16 Boy's started the night with a 3-0 win, while the U17/18 Boy's finished the evening with 3-2 win. Both teams will continue their season with road trips to Florida next weekend.

Labor Day Brings in Trophies From the Atlanta Cup - Tuesday, September 8, 2009

Many teams competed in the Atlanta Cup this past weekend, and many Concorde Fire teams made the Semi Finals. The most notable wins came from the U13B CF Elite, coached by Everett Webb, and the U15B CF Elite, coached by Ibrahim Abousaud, as they both won the Cup Flights in their age groups.

U13B CF Elite (Everett Webb) - Champions

U14B CF North Elite (Gregg Blasingame) - Finalists

U15B CF Elite (Ibrahim Abousaud) - Champions

U15G CF South Elite (Mac Williams) - Finalists

U16B CF White (Oscar Del Risco) - Finalists

U16B CF North Black (Pete Petersen) - Semi Finalists

U19G CF South Elite (Brian Moore) - Semi Finalists

#### The U12G Win in Greensboro - Monday, September 7, 2009

The U12 Girl's Concorde Fire North Black were Champions at the adidas Labor Day Shootout in Greensboro, NC. The U12G CF North Black, coached by Mike Gailey, were group winners by drawing with Charlotte United Newcastle (NC) and beating CASL Spartan Premier (NC) twice to get to the Final. They went on to win 2-1 against MPS Extreme White (VA) in the Final. The girls scored 12 goals on the weekend and let in 7 goals.

#### U.S. Soccer Academy Season Opener - Saturday, September 5, 2009

The 2009-2010 U.S. Soccer Developmental Academy Season begins this Monday, September 7, 2009. On Labor Day, the Concorde Fire U15/16 and U17/18 Boy's Academy Teams will play against the AFC Lightning Academy Teams at McCurry South Park at 5pm and 7pm respectively.

# Third Year of U.S. Soccer Development Academy Kicks Off - Saturday, September 5, 2009

U.S. Soccer's Development Academy program will kick off the third year of the program this weekend with an increased focus on improving the everyday environment of youth soccer in the United States and improving the overall development of the more than 4,000 players, 600 coaches and 900 referees participating in the program.

#### Medalists Galore at NASA Classic - Tuesday, September 1, 2009

Even the heavy rains on Friday and Sunday couldn't prevent Concorde Fire from having 11 teams in the Finals at the NASA Classic. On a weekend in which the Finals



were called off due to the severe weather in the area on Sunday afternoon, Champions and Finalists were determined by the Group Play Points, Goal Differential, and then Goals Against. Below is the list of teams from Concorde that made the Finals:

U9B CF Central Black (Paul Schwak) - Champions

U10B CF South Black (John Bush) - Finalists

U10G CF North Black (Mike Muller) - Finalists

U10G CF South Black (Alan Ewing) - Finalists

U11B CF Central Black (Justin Towns) - Finalists

U11G CF Central Black (George Ashison) - Champions

U13G CF South Black (Colin Barnes) - Champions

U13G CF Black (Ned Biehler) - Co-Champions

U16B CF South Black (Alan Ewing) - Champions

U16B CF Black (Ryan Pollard) - Finalists

U16B CF North Black (Pete Petersen) - Finalists

#### Concorde Fire Night at UGA - Sunday, August 30, 2009

On Friday, September 11th, the University of Georgia will take on Georgia State at the Turner Soccer Complex in Athens, GA. It will also be "Concorde Fire Night" for the 7:00pm game against the in-state rivals. All players dressed in their CF Gear will get in FREE! The entire Concorde Fire Family is invited to attend this great night.

RIIIPL Begins for the Rest of Concorde - Tuesday, August 25, 2009
The remaining teams began their Fall 2009 season of the Region III Premier League
East this past weekend. Concorde Fire continued to show their dominance on the
boy's side as both U15 teams won their games. In a rematch of the 2009 GA State
Cup Final, the U15B CF Elite, coached by Ibrahim Abousaud, beat GFC Spurs 2-0.
The U15B CF South Elite, coached by Brian Moore, were able to get 2 wins against
Charlotte SA (3-1) and Charlotte United (2-0). The U15G CF South Elite, coached by
Mac Williams, also started the season with a win (2-0 against Greensboro Twisters)
and a loss (1-3 to Charlotte SA).

#### U9B Win at Georgia FC Jr. Invitational - Monday, August 24, 2009

The U9 Boy's Concorde Fire North Black started their Academy account with a Championship at the Georgia FC Jr. Invitational. The U9B CF North Black, coached by Pete Petersen, were very methodical and efficient during the tournament. In the Finals they were matched up against the Fusion Gold, which they had recently lost to 0-2 in the morning. They must have improved because they came out on top 2-1 in the all important game!





U9 Boy's Concorde Fire North Black - GFC Jr. Invitational

# U13B Bring Home Championship in AL - Wednesday, August 19, 2009

The U13 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite have come home from Birmingham, AL with a Championship at the Liberty Cup. The U13B CF Elite, coached by Everett Webb, won all 4 games on the weekend. They scored 12 goals and only allowed 3, while winning in the Finals 3-2 against Vestavia Steamers Black.

#### Preseason Continues with More Trophies for Concorde - Tuesday, August 18, 2009

Concorde Fire brought home two more trophies this past weekend from their Preseason tournaments. The U12 Boy's Concorde Fire South Black and U14 Girl's Concorde Fire South Black were Co-Champions at the Charlotte Invitational and Finalists at the Jekyll Cup, respectively. The U12B CF South Black, coached by Colin Barnes, were Co-Champions in Charlotte with the CSA Predator Elite after going 2-0-1 in Group Play. Their Final was cut short due to lightning, but were up 1-0 when the game was called. The U14G CF South Black, coached by Brian Moore, were Finalists at the Jekyll Cup.





U12 Boys Concorde Fire South Black - Charlotte Invitational, 2009

### Premier League Play Begins with 4 Wins - Tuesday, August 18, 2009

The 2009 Region III Premier League East kicked off this weekend for 3 teams at Concorde Fire, U16 Boys CF Elite, U17G CF Elite and U17G CF Black. Out of six games played, Concorde Fire went 4-1-1. The U16B CF Elite, coached by Adrian Powell, won both games this weekend against Columbia Utd (7-0) and CESA Premier (3-1). The U17G CF Elite, coached by Gregg Blasingame, were undefeated by drawing with 2009 Regional Champions Ponte Vedra Storm (1-1) and beating Florida Rush (7-0). The U17G CF Black, coached by Ken Kurilec, lost to CESA Premier (0-2) and came back with a win against Bridge FA (3-0).

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U11B Win at Cobb FC Academy Open - Wednesday, August 12, 2009



The U11 Boy's Concorde Fire North Black were Champions of the Cobb FC Academy Open Tournament. The team, coached by Gregg Blasingame, went 2-1 in Group Play and then won 7-0 in the Final against Cobb FC Chiefs Gold. They scored 18 goals and gave up 6 during their 4 games.

#### Ryce Finishes International Tour With a Goal - Tuesday, August 11, 2009

Brianna Ryce scored the first goal against the El Salvador U-20 Women's National Team in a 3-1 win for the Trinidad and Tobago U-17 Women's National Team. The T&T U-17 WNT were on their first international tour in Panama and El Salvador. The games against Panama's and El Salvador's Youth National Teams were being used to prepare the group that will be hosting the 2010 FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup. Ryce plays with the U17 Girl's Concorde Fire South Black, coached by Colin Barnes.

Jordan Attends National Camp in Pomona, CA - Wednesday, August 5, 2009

Savannah Jordan has recently returned from the U14 Girls' Identification Camp held at Cal Poly Pomona in Pomona, CA. This is the first introduction for many of the 101 players identified by the summer's four Region Camps. Jordan currently plays for the U15 Girl's Concorde Fire South Elite, coached by Mac Williams, that were Regional Quarterfinalists and are set for the Inaugural Season of the Elite Clubs National League.

Gayton Attends National ID Camp in Concord, MA - Wednesday, August 5, 2009

Jack Gayton has been invited to the Annual U-14 Boy's National Development Program Identification Camp held in Concord, MA. He is one of 118 players identified during this Summer's Region Camps held around the country. They are participating in their first National Camp in front of Head Coach Manny Schellscheidt. Gayton currently plays on the U14 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite, coached by Gregg Blasingame.

#### Region III ODP Recognizes Concorde Fire Players - Saturday, August 1, 2009

Concorde Fire players were recognized by Region III ODP this summer at Region Camp. USYSA Region III ODP holds Region Camp each year in to identify the best players in each age group and gender. The Boy's go to Tuscaloosa, AL and the Girl's are held in Montevallo, AL where they compete against the other 11 states in our Region. Below are the Concorde Fire players that were selected on to the Region III ODP Pool:

Shaban Abousaud (1995 Boys) - U15B CF Elite
Henry Chancy (1995 Boys) - U15B CF Elite
Jack Gayton (1996 Boys) - U14B CF Elite
Jonathan Jarrett (1995 Boys) - U15B CF South Elite
Julio Jimenez (1995 Boys) - U15B CF Elite
Savannah Jordan (1995 Girls) - U15G CF South Elite
Alex McCauley (1994 Boys) - U15B CF Elite
Francisco Miranda (1995 Boys) - U15B CF Elite
Cameron Mosely (1995 Boys) - U15B CF Elite
David Raizes (1995 Boys) - U15B CF Elite
Gabi Seiler (1994 Girls) - U15G CF South Elite
Jacob Smith (1994 Boys) - U15B CF South Elite

Concorde Fire Wins at Score at the Shore - Wednesday, July 29, 2009



The U17 Girl's Concorde Fire South Black were Champions at the Score at the Shore Showcase. The Score Girl's Showcase was held a weekend after the Boy's in Greensboro, NC from July 25-28, 2009. The Showcase tournament hosts many teams from around the country. The U17G CF South Black, coached by Colin Barnes, made the White Championship Bracket in the knockout tournament. The team beat GSA White (GA) in the Sweet Sixteen 2-0, Cobb FC Lady Chiefs Gold (GA) in the Quarterfinals 0-0 (6-5 in PK's), East Brunswick Breakers (NJ) in the Semi Finals 1-1 (5-4) in PK's, and HCU United Black (FL) in the Final 2-0.

#### Concorde Fire Plays in Surf - Tuesday, July 28, 2009

Concorde Fire attends the Surf Cup by sending their U14 Boy's CF North Elite, U14 Girl's CF Elite, U15 Boy's CF Elite, and U15 Boy's CF South Elite. Surf Cup is held in beautiful San Diego, CA and is widely believed to be one of the best youth tournaments in the country. All teams competed very well in their groups. The U15B CF South Elite, coached by Brian Moore, won their group and made the Quarter Finals. They were unfortunate and lost to Universidad Pumas from Mexico. The older U16 and up Concorde Fire teams will be attending this coming weekend's Surf Cup.

#### McCrary Going to Brazil with U-17 MNT - Monday, July 20, 2009

Jordan McCrary was selected to travel to Rio de Janeiro and Macae, Brazil with the other 24 players of the United States U-17 Men's National Team. They were selected by Head Coach Wilmer Cabrera to participate in the Copa Macae from July 14-27. This will be another event that is preparing the group that recently qualified for the 2009 FIFA U-17 World Cup that will be held in Nigeria October 24 - November 16.

#### Concorde Fire Travles to Greensboro for Showcase - Friday, July 17, 2009

The rising U18 Boy's Concorde Fire Black and U17 Boy's Concorde Fire Black have travelled to Greensboro, NC for the Score at the Shore Showcase. The tournament hosts teams from around the United States and Canada in front of many college coaches. Although the tournament is very early in the year, it is an ideal time for college coaches to attend before they begin their own preseason workouts. The U18B CF Black are coached by Nick Frasher and the U17B are coached by Justin Towns, both of whom will be competing in Classic I after their promotions from last year.

#### Ryce Called into Trinidad U-17 WNT - Saturday, July 11, 2009

Brianna Ryce has made the U-17 Women's National Team of Trinidad & Tobago. She was recently on trial in the National Camp this summer. The T&T U-17 WNT is in preparations for the 2010 FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup to be held in Trinidad. Ryce has been called into the Selection Camp prior to T&T's first International Tour of the year in Panama and El Salvador from July 31 - August 10, 2009.

#### Concorde Sends 5 to ESP - Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Concorde Fire has five players attending the 2009 ESP Boy's Camp. ESP, Elite Soccer Program, has been hosting the nation's top 100 players for the past decade. This invite only camp pays for each player to attend during the summer months for the boy's to compete against the best. Concorde Fire has Robert Botchway, U16 CF Academy, Derek Creviston, U16 CF Academy, Christopher Duvall, U18 CF Academy,



Cody Mizell, U18 CF Academy, and Nikos Papanikolopoulas, U18 CF Academy. Christopher Duvall made the All-Star Game for his play during Camp.

### Regionals Recap - Sunday, June 28, 2009

Concorde Fire had a great showing at the 2009 USYSA Southern Regionals held in Dallas, TX from June 19-24, 2009. All four teams made it out of their groups and into the Quarterfinals, more than any other club in GA. The U14B CF South Elite, coached by Brian Moore, were group runners-up and beat the FC Atlanta Silverbacks (GA) 3-1 in the Quarterfinals. They went to Penalty Kicks in their Semi Final match and lost to the eventual winners, CASL Elite (NC). The U16B CF Elite, coached by Adrian Powell, also made their way to the Semi Finals by beating CESA (SC) 2-0 in the Quarterfinals and winning their group play. They lost to the eventual winners for the second year in a row, South Charlotte Gold (NC). The U14G CF South Elite, coached by Mac Williams, played both Finalists during their tournament. They were knocked out in the Quarterfinals 1-0 to the Regional winners, CASL Spartans Elite (NC). The U16G CF Elite, coached by Gregg Blasingame, also faced the same fate in the Quarterfinals. After not losing a game in group play, they lost in a heartbreaker against GSA Phoenix Red (GA) 3-2 in overtime.

#### Concorde Fire Leaving for Man Utd Premier Cup - Wednesday, May 20, 2009

The U15 Boys Concorde Fire Elite, coached by Adrian Powell, will be heading up to Beaverton, OR for the largest youth tournament in the world. Over 9,500 teams from around the world competed last year to earn a spot at the World Finals held in Manchester, England. The North American Finals will be held from May 21-24, 2009. The winner will have all their expenses paid to play in the World Finals in late July 2009 and have the chance to compete against the best youth players at the biggest professional clubs.

#### 10 Winners at ASA Xtreme Cup - Monday, May 18, 2009

Concorde Fire returns 12 trophies back from the ASA Xtreme Cup this past weekend. 10 teams were Winners and 2 were Finalists. The U9 Boys CF Silver, coached by Karl Haggon, U10 Boys CF North Black, coached by Roger Boniface for the tournament, U10 Boys CF White, coached by Dori Hammond, U11 Boys CF Black, coached by Aaron Shepherd, U13 Boys North Black, coached by Mike Gailey, U13 Boys North, coached by Mark Tonner, U10 Girls CF North Black, Jill Matinson, U10 Girls CF White, coached by George Ashison, U11 Girls CF Black, coached by Nick Frasher for the tournament, and the U11 Girls CF South White, coached by Wayne Simmons, were all Champions. The U13 Boys CF White, coached by Nick Frasher, and the U12 Girls CF Black, coached by Ned Beihler, were Finalists. Congratulations to all the teams on their success!

#### U15 Boy's Elite Make it 3 - Monday, May 18, 2009

The U15 Boys Concorde Fire Elite have qualified for the 2009 Southern Regionals in Frisco and Plano, TX. The team, coached by Adrian Powell, ended their Region III Premier League East season in the Fall as Runners-Up. Since the winners of the league, South Charlotte United, won the North Carolina State Cup this past weekend, our Concorde Fire Elite will be going to TX. They join the U14 Boys CF South Elite and U14 Girls CF South Elite as the 3rd team in the club going to Regionals.

USSD Academy Spring Showcase in Sarasota - Sunday, May 17, 2009



The second annual Development Academy Spring Showcase is less than one month away, slated for May 22-26 at the Sarasota Polo Grounds in Sarasota, Fla. Once again, the Spring Showcase will provide a platform for coaching and referee development, while continuing to maintain its technically driven environment, including SPARQ testing for Academy athletes.

#### Final Academy Home Games on Sunday - Wednesday, May 6, 2009

The final home games for the Concorde Fire U15/U16 and U17/U18 U.S. Soccer Development Academy Teams will be this Sunday, May 10th, 2009. Both teams will be playing against the Atlanta based club, AFC Lightning at the beautiful Georgia Soccer Park. The U15/U16 Boy's will be playing at 2:00pm on GSP #1, while the U17/U18 Boy's will take the same field at 4:00pm. Concorde Fire will then travel to Birmingham, AL on May 17th before finishing the season at the Spring Academy Showcase in Sarasota, FL on Memorial Day Weekend. Come and support your Academy teams!

#### Concorde Fire Win at AFU Academy Classic - Monday, May 4, 2009

Concorde Fire made a huge presence at the 2009 Atlanta United Fire Academy Classic, coming away with 3 Champions and 2 Finalists. The U9 Girl's Concorde Fire North Black, coached by Toni Madewga, the U11 Girl's Concorde Fire Black, coached by Ken Kurilec, and the U12 Boy's Concorde Fire Red, coached by Kevin Caille, were all Champions winning 2-1, 4-3 (PK's), and 3-1 respectively. The U9 Boy's Concorde Fire White, coached by Matt Cox, and the U11 Girl's Concorde Fire White, coached by George Ashison, were both Finalists. Congratulations to all the teams!

#### U14 Boy's Win Region Premier League - Monday, May 4, 2009

The U14 Boy's Concorde Fire South Elite has won the Region III Premier League East, which already qualifies them for 2009 Region III Southern Regional Championships. Regionals will be held in Frisco and Plano, TX from June 19-24, 2009. Their 2-0 win on Saturday against NASA Elite in the Region III Premier League East put them out of reach of all their competitors. The team, coached by Brian Moore, has won 8 games in 10 and lost 2 with one game remaining. One of those losses was to our own U14 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite, coached by Ibrahim Abousaud, who locked up 3rd place in the RIIIPL. Congratulations to both teams!





U12 Boy's Concorde Fire Red - AFU Academy Classic, 2009

#### Concorde Fire Joins Elite Clubs National League - Thursday, April 30, 2009

Concorde Fire has joined the Elite Clubs National League (ECNL) as a Member Club of the Inaugural 2009-2010 Season. The ECNL has selected 40 of the top youth girls' clubs in the country to compete in the U15 - U17 age groups in a national league. Each team will have a 12-game season at the national showcase events (Eclipse Select Challenge Cup, Final IV Showcase, Disney Soccer Showcase, Las Vegas College Showcase, and PDA Showcase) during the year and end with the ECNL National Championship in Seattle, WA. Executive Director, Gregg Blasingame remarks, "This is an exciting time for our girl's program to be apart of the growing trend of the development of the elite female soccer player. It is a credit to our coaches and players that we have been recognized on the national level in the short time our girl's program has existed."

#### U14 Girl's Qualified for Regionals - Monday, April 27, 2009

The U14 Girls Concorde Fire South Elite, coached by Mac Williams, have already qualified for 2009 Region III Southern Regional Championships. Regionals will be held in Frisco and Plano, TX from June 19-24, 2009. Their 1-0 win today against Ponte Ved ra Storm (FL) in the Region III Premier League East secured second place for the season. Since two teams automatically qualify to Regionals this season, they will be playing in Texas this summer. The team finished the year with 25 points and 8-2-1 record, scoring 17 goals and only allowing 6 against. Congrats!!

#### Alabi's Report From Mexico - Wednesday, April 22, 2009

Adrian Alabi of the U15 Boy's Concorde Fire Elite, coached by Adrian Powell, was also invited to join the Region III ODP Spring Boy's Tour of Mexico. He earned his spot with his Region Camp performance this past summer and was selected for the 1994 Region Pool. He said in the games, "[we] beat Tecos 2-0, beat Chivas 2-1, lost to



Atlas 0-1, and beat Pachuca 1-0." He then added that, "[it] was a great trip that allowed me to see a different style of soccer and exposed me to talents and methods I didn't know before."

### U14 Boys Leave for Dallas Cup - Saturday, April 4, 2009

The U14 Boy's Concorde Fire South Elite have left to compete in the Dallas Cup in Dallas, TX from April 5-11, 2009. According to Peter Kenyon (Chelsea FC CEO), Dallas Cup is recognized as "one of the most important and premier youth tournaments in the world." The U14B CF South Elite, coached by Brian Moore, have been grouped with FC Dallas Youth (TX-N), Albion White (CAL-S), and Ravens Wood School (England). They are looking to improve on their Quarterfinalist showing from 2 years ago.

### College ID Camp Dates Announced - Thursday, April 2, 2009

Concorde Fire is proud to announce the dates for the College ID Camp on May 16-17, 2009 at the Georgia Soccer Park. This unique camp is dedicated to the recruitment of players in their natural playing environment. College coaches will not only be there to evaluate the talents of the players, but participate in the training. As they coach the sessions, players will see how individual college coaches train players and the coaches will see the players' training habits. These training sessions run by college coaches will be combined with a few games to showcase their skills on the big field.

#### Jarrett in Mexico With Region Team - Sunday, March 29, 2009

Jonathan Jarrett left with the Region Team for Mexico on Saturday. Jarrett plays for the U14 Boy's Concorde Fire South Elite. The Boy's 1995 Region III ODP Team has gone on a Spring ODP Tour, like the girls, and are currently in Gualajara, Mexico before coming back next week.

#### Seiler Leaves With Region Team for Costa Rica - Thursday, March 26, 2009

Gabi Seiler is leaving today for Costa Rica with the Region III ODP Team. Seiler plays for the U14 Girl's Concorde Fire South Elite, coached by Mac Williams, who are 2nd in the Region III Premier League East Standings and lead all Georgia teams. The 1994 Girls Region III ODP Team will be going on a Spring Tour of Costa Rica from Thursday, March 26th and getting back Saturday, April 4th.

#### Finishing Clinic Announced for Spring - Wednesday, March 25, 2009

Concorde Fire has officially announced the dates and times for the Finishing Clinics at the Central Program. The professional staff will be offering their coaching services for the Finishing Clinics on Friday nights. They will be at Montgomery Elementary School from 5pm to 6pm starting this Friday, March 27th, 2009. There will be 7 sessions in total, including April 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and May 1st and 8th. This is offered to all players at Concorde, but each player must bring a ball.

#### U12 Boy's Come Close in Final - Monday, March 23, 2009

The U12 Boy's Concorde Fire South Black were Finalists at the AFC Lightning Spring Challenge this past weekend. The team, coached by Steve Hutton, advanced to Finals in an upset win in the Semifinal against PSA Lanus. They ended up scoring 9 goals and letting in 10 goals during all four games. Unfortunately, they couldn't overcome GSA Boavista in either attempt in the tournament.



#### Casino Night Announced - Monday, March 16, 2009

Concorde Fire is proud to announce the 2009 version of Casino Night. This year's Casino Night will be held at Maggiano's Little Italy, located in Buckhead. There will be a Silent and Live Auction, Casino Games (Blackjack, Craps, and Texas Hold 'em), Food, Beverages, and Dancing! 275 items were donated last year, including Freddy Adu signed jersey, Mia Hamm signed jersey, NFL Hall of Fame signed football, flatscreen televisions, Biloxi Weekend Casino Trip, a week's stay at beach condos, and much, much more. Tickets will be \$70 per person or \$125.

#### U16G Elite Go Undefeated at Vegas College Showcase - Monday, March 16, 2009

The U16 Girl's Concorde Fire Elite were undefeated at the Las Vegas College Showcase in Las Vegas, NV. This is one of the premier tournaments in the country and the most highly attended Spring tournament for recruiting purposes. The U16G CF Elite, coached by Gregg Blasingame, drew their first game against Colorado Storm Copa (CO) and won the next three against Santa Rosa United Thunder (CA-N), Emerald City FC Green (WA), and Placer United Prestige Gold (CA-N).

#### Brose Wins USYSA Save of the Year - Thursday, March 12, 2009

Ryan Brose has won the 2008 US Youth Soccer Save of the Year. The award was presented at the US Youth Soccer Awards Gala at the San Jose McEnery Convention Center. Brose plays on the U17 Boy's Concorde Fire South Black and earned this recognition while playing in a preseason tournament in Atlanta. "Winning Save of the Year is a great honor especially since all of the other saves were so great," mentioned Brose on winning the award. Brose went on to say, "... [it was] a great honor for my team, coaches and soccer in Georgia, as well."

#### Concorde Fire Boys Win at Vulcan - Tuesday, March 10, 2009

The Concorde Fire Boy's program added more trophies this past weekend at the Vulcan Cup in Birmingham, AL. The highly competitive tournament is host to many teams within the Southeast and Midwest. The U10 Boy's Concorde Fire North Black, coached by Gregg Blasingame, were Finalists in the Gold Division after winning all of their group games. The U13 Boy's Concorde Fire North Elite, coached by Gregg Blasingame, were Champions in the Gold Division by beating Jackson Futbol Club Green (MS) in the Final. Finally, the U15 Boy's Concorde Fire South Black, coached by Wayne Simmons, were Champions of the Silver Division by beating Norcross Soccer Academy Gold 2-0 in the Final.

#### O'Hara Signs with USL W-League Champions - Monday, March 2, 2009

Kelley O'Hara adds to her impressive list of accomplishments by signing with the USL W-League 2008 Champions, Pali Blues, for the 2009 season. She joins a host of fellow Stanford Cardinals on the team that won the championship in the their inaugural season. O'Hara is currently in her junior season at Stanford and will be looking to use the W-League summer season to impress before her final collegiate year.

#### Seiler Going to California - Wednesday, February 18, 2009

Gabby Seiler has been brought into the US Youth Soccer ODP InterRegional Camp in Pomona, CA. Seiler currently plays with the U14G Concorde Fire South Elite, coached by Mac Williams. This is the fourth camp they have held in which they have



brought in the U15's ('94s) and U16 ('93s). 176 girls are at camp in California from February 17 - 21, 2009. This camp is designed more for the individual to showcase their talents than for the Regional Teams to play each other. Functional Training, Street Soccer, and Small-Sided Games will be more prevelant than actual full-sided games.

#### Region III Premier League Begins Well - Monday, February 16, 2009

The Spring 2009 Season of the Region III Premier League East started well for Concorde Fire. The U14 Boy's has Concorde Fire at the top of the standings with both the U14B Concorde Fire Elite (Abousaud) and U14B Concorde Fire South Elite (Moore). Both teams were the only teams to win both their games this weekend. The U14G Concorde Fire South Elite (Williams) also started well with a win and a loss. The 5 wins out of 6 were the most of any club in all of the Region III Premier League East. The top teams at the end of the season gain automatic spots at the Southern Regionals in Dallas, TX this summer.

#### Champions at Cobb Classic Begin 2009 - Monday, February 16, 2009

Concorde Fire started 2009 with 3 Champions and 2 Finalists at the Cobb Classic (February 14-15, 2009). The local tournament was a great pre-season tune-up for the Spring. 5 Concorde Fire teams made the finals with 3 winning the tournament in their respective divisions. The U9B Concorde Fire North Black (Gailey), U10B Concorde Fire North Black (Blasingame), and the U13B Concorde Fire North Elite were all Champions. The U9G Concorde Fire North Black (Madegwa) and U11G Concorde Fire Red made the finals and were Finalists.

#### National Signing Day Hits Concorde Fire - Wednesday, February 4, 2009

12 Concorde Fire seniors made their official commitments to college soccer programs on Wednesday, February 4, 2009. This is the first day they can confirm their verbal commitments to their prospective schools. In front of their high school peers, these student-athletes signed their National Letters of Intent along with all the other sports in the country. For many, this the culmination of all their hard work over the past 10 years. Congratulations to all those players who have signed and to those who will be committing soon! You can check out the list of players in our COLLEGE ALUMNI section.

#### Concorde Fire Move UP in National Rankings - Friday, January 30, 2009

Concorde Fire has once again been named in the Top 30 Clubs in the nation by Soccer America in 2009. Each year the leading soccer publication in the country evaulates soccer clubs "based on success of their teams in national youth competitions over the last three years and national recognition for players from these clubs in 2008." The Concorde Fire Boy's program is again the only club in Georgia to be recognized by Soccer America and improved to #14 in 2009 from #18 in 2008. Congratulations to all the players, parents, and coaches in the club who contributed to this great recognition.

#### Powell Going to Chula Vista with U20 WNT - Tuesday, January 20, 2009

Concorde Fire U19 player Bailey Powell has been called into camp with the U20 US Women's National Team. She will be going to the Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, CA from January 25 - February 1, 2009. Powell is apart of a 48 player camp that has been joined with the U18 WNT. She is coming off her first season at the



University of Georgia where she earned 2nd Team All-SEC and was on the All-SEC Freshman Team.

### O'Hara Back in the US Youth National Team - Monday, January 12, 2009

Kelley O'Hara has been called back into the US National Youth Team setup. This time the U23 Women's National Team has brought her into the first camp of 2009. Head Coach Bill has brought in 25 players to Chula Vista, CA for camp at the Olympic Training Center in attempts to prepare for the Nordic Cup in Sweden last this year in July. The US will be looking to continue their dominance in the tournament by winning three in a row. The camp began on January 5 and ends today.

Concorde Fire Black U16 Girls Reach Semi at Disney - Saturday, January 3, 2009

The U16 Girls Concorde Fire Black, coached by Ibrahim Abousaud, won their group at the Disney Soccer Showcase in Orlando, FL over the New Year's Break. They topped the group by winning two of their games and only dropping one. In the Semi Finals they matched up against Brentwood Premier (TN) and couldn't advance to the Finals.

