

# GOLDEN BEARS SOCCER SEASON ~ 2009

Fall 2009



2009  
University of Alberta

The University of Alberta Golden Bears Soccer program has been in existence since 1969 and has achieved four CIAU/CIS National Championships in 1972, 1979, 2003 and more recently 2006. In addition, the program has won six (1973, 1979, 1988, 1995, 1998 and 2003) Canada West Championships.

## Canada West Season ~ 2008

The Golden Bears came within 15 minutes of an upset of the top ranked Victoria Vikings in the first semi-final of the Canada West (CW) play-offs. The 4th ranked Bears were leading 1-0 late in the game but gave up 2 goals, the 2nd in the 90th minute, and consequently the game.

Overall the Bears managed a 5:3:6 (win:loss:tie) record that was good enough for 4th place in the Canada West Conference and a play-off spot. The CW Championships were hosted by the league winning Victoria Vikings.

Unfortunately, the loss in the semi-final game against the Victoria Vikings (1-2) denied the Bears from progressing to the CW Championship final and the CIS National Championships. The Bears were then defeated by UBC (3-1) in the bronze medal game. UBC lost to Trinity Western in a game that was decided on penalty kicks following a 1-1 tie. Victoria were crowned CW Champions following their victory 4-1 over Trinity Western in the final.

The CIS National Championships were held at Carleton University in Ottawa. The 2nd Canada West conference representative Trinity Western lost the gold medal narrowly to York University (1-0). York's gold medal win and CIS National Championship marked only their 2nd in team history.

The inexperienced and youthful Bears, who had 10 players in their first year with the program, received strong leadership and performances from senior players John Konye, Danny Nielsen, Alex Campos and Ammon Hoefs through out the season .



John Konye and Danny Nielsen both had strong seasons playing in the Bears midfield and were recognized as a Canada West All-Star (first team) along with defender Harman Braich and top goal scorer Brett Colvin (9 goals). Ammon Hoefs was the lone Golden Bear selected to the second team for his outstanding season. The Bears were tops in goal scoring with 30 goals in CW league play.

John Konye was voted by his teammates as Most Valuable Player (MVP), Cameron Schmidt was Rookie of the Year and Danny Nielsen was the team's recipient of the President's Trophy .

Graduating this year are John Konye, Danny Nielsen, Alex Campos and Ammon Hoefs. However, the remaining members of the squad will all return next year with a strong influx of outstanding recruits making the prospects for the 2009 season look extremely positive!

## Golden Bears Soccer Alumni

For your information, the present GBS Alumni comprises:

President:	Sean Myskiw
Vice President:	Jarin Myskiw
Past President:	Travis Reynolds
Treasurer:	Brian Rodrigues
Member at Large:	Mo Chehimi
Member at Large:	Troy Hartt
Member at Large:	John Murray
Member at Large:	Neil Morrow
Member at Large:	Jordan Gillespie
Member at Large:	Moe Chehimi

## Alumni Game ~ 2009

The 2009 GBS Alumni Game is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16th 2009. The game is to be played at Foote Field with kick-off at 6:30PM.

Please plan to come along and support the Alumni and the 2009 edition of the Golden Bears. A social is to follow at the Saville Sports Centre that will allow alumni to pass on words of wisdom or relate famous stories from past Canada West and CIAU/CIS Championship campaigns - won and lost!

If you are willing and able to play in the always competitive Alumni Game please contact Sean Myskiw on his cell at (780) 233-6888. You may also contact Len Vickery or Sean Myskiw at:

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## University of Alberta Golden Bears ~ 2009

### Golden Bears Schedule ~ 2009

Saturday, Sept 12 **home** to British Columbia  
Sunday, Sep 13 **Home** to Trinity Western

Saturday, Sept 19 **home** to Fraser Valley  
Sunday, Sept 20 **home** to Victoria

Saturday, Sept 26 **at** Lethbridge  
Sunday, Sept 27 **at** Calgary

Saturday, Oct 3 **at** Victoria  
Sunday, Oct 4 **at** Fraser Valley

Saturday, Oct 17 **home** to Calgary  
Sunday, Oct 18 **home** to Lethbridge

Friday, Oct 23 **at** Trinity Western  
Saturday, Oct 24 **at** British Columbia

Saturday, Oct 31 **home** to Saskatchewan  
Sunday, Nov 1 **at** Saskatchewan

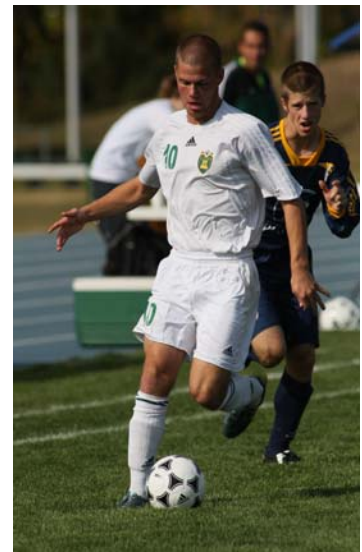
All **home** games are to be played 2:15 PM at Foote Field (11601—68th Avenue—entrance off Belgravia Road).

Please note that the full schedule and results may be found on the University of Alberta Athletics Web site at [www.bears.ualberta.ca](http://www.bears.ualberta.ca)

If you require additional information, please contact Len Vickery at (780) 492-1013 or by e-mail to [len.vickery@ualberta.ca](mailto:len.vickery@ualberta.ca)

### Golden Bears ~ Other Important Dates 2009-10

August 24/25 GBS Try-outs  
Aug 26-Sept 2 Training Camp  
September 16 Alumni Game  
November 7-8 Canada West Play-Offs at Home of Canada West Winner  
November 12-15 CIS National Championships At Trinity Western



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