

GOLDEN BEARS SOCCER SEASON ~ 2011

Fall 2011



2011
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 nine (2003, 1999, 1998, 1995, 1988, 1981, 1979, 1973 and 1972) Canada West Championships.

Canada West Season ~ 2010

Golden Bears Soccer (GBS) completed the 2010 fall season, finishing first in the extremely tough Canada West Conference with a 11-2-1 (win-loss-tie) record and a berth at the CIS National Championships held in Toronto.

Unfortunately, GBS lost 1-0 to a late goal in a very close defensive encounter and quarter final game against St. Mary's to halt the team's progress toward another CIS National Championship. The Golden Bears won CIS National Championships in 2003 and 2006.



Although this was a disappointing way to conclude our season there were many accomplishments along the way! The Golden Bears 11 wins in regular season play were 3 more than the next team UBC. 6 players were recognized and selected to the Canada West All-Star Teams including goalkeeper Jas Gill, defenders Harman Braich and Zenon Markevych, midfield players Sam Lam and Milan Timotijevic, striker Marcus Johnstone to the First Team whilst first year midfield player Antonio Rago was selected a Second Team All-Star. Marcus Johnstone was selected the Canada West Rookie of the Year.

In CIS All-Canadian selections, Sam Lam was a First Team selection with Jas Gill and Harman Braich receiving Second Team honours. Marcus Johnstone received one of the CIS Men's soccer major awards when he was recognized as the Rookie of the Year for the entire nation!

The CIS National Championships were held at the University of Toronto where York claimed their second

ever soccer gold medal and CIS National Championship in team history with a 1-0 win over UBC in the championship final.

In GBS team recognition, Sam Lam was selected **Most Valuable Player** and Marcus Johnstone **Rookie of the Year**. In addition Harman Braich was the recipient of the prestigious **President's Trophy** for GB soccer.

A post-season trip was undertaken to San Diego, California from February 21-27, 2011 where the team played 3 games against NCAA competition compiling 1 win and 2 losses. The team won against San Diego State (1-0) and the two losses came against San Diego (1-3) and San Diego State Aztecs Club (1-2).

The Golden Bears soccer team had 4 **CIS Academic All-Canadians** – Brett Colvin (Business), Matt Wright (Business), Cam Black (Education), and Scott Gilroy (Physical Education and Recreation).

Harman Braich and Cameron Schmidt have been selected to the Canadian men's team that will compete at the **FISU (World University) Games** held in Shenzhen, China during the summer of 2011.

Golden Bears Soccer Alumni

The present GBS Alumni comprises:

President:	Sean Myskiw
Vice President:	Jarin Myskiw
Past President:	Travis Reynolds
Treasurer:	Vacant
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 ~ 2010

The 2011 GBS Alumni Game is scheduled for Thursday, September 22nd 2011. The game is to be played at Foote Field with kick-off at 6:00PM.

Please plan to come along and support the Alumni and the 2011 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!

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Golden Bears Schedule ~ 2011

Saturday, Sept 10 **Home** to Lethbridge
 Sunday, Sept 11 **Home** to Calgary

Saturday, Sept 17 at Victoria
 Sunday, Sept 18 at Fraser Valley

Saturday, Sept 24 **home** to Trinity Western
 Sunday, Sept 25 **home** to British Columbia

Saturday, Oct 1 **home** to Saskatchewan
 Sunday, Oct 2 **home** to Saskatchewan

Saturday, Oct 15 at Calgary
 Sunday, Oct 16 at Lethbridge

Friday, Oct 21 at British Columbia
 Saturday, Oct 22 at Trinity Western

Saturday, Oct 29 **home** to Fraser Valley
 Sunday, Oct 30 **home** to Victoria

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

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Golden Bears ~ Other Important Dates 2011-12

August 22/23	GBS Try-outs
Aug 24-31	Training Camp
September 22	Alumni Game
November 4-6	Canada West Play-Offs at Home of Canada West Winner
November 10-13	CIS National Championships At Victoria



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