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THE HISTORY OF CHRISTCHURCH UNITED



United stars play key role in New Zealand Footballing History

Christchurch United FC has a proud history on the domestic stage, but also made a considerable contribution and impact on the international stage.

A total of 44 players played for the New Zealand national team in international matches and have been on the books at Christchurch United over the past 50 years.

Dual football and cricket international Vic Pollard was one of the first three international players on Christchurch United's books in their inaugural season in 1970, along with Doug Watson and Graham Griffiths.

Once United started collecting trophies in the 1970s, the club soon became a regular supplier of international players to the New

Zealand team. Ken France was a former England youth international who ended up playing for New Zealand from 1971-73 and was soon followed by Brian Hardman, Phil Dando, Ian Park, Tommy Randles, Bobby Almond and, of course, Steve Sumner.

Many of United's internationals had the special distinction of playing for the All Whites at the 1982 and 2010 World Cups and their achievements are well documented.

Seven players on this list were among the pioneers who played against Brazil, Scotland and the Soviet Union at the 1982 World Cup in Spain.

Bobby Almond was even playing for Christchurch United during that World Cup.



COACH'S COMMENTS

It's great to be back at the united sports centre for tonight's game.

Last Friday saw us earn a really hard fought win against a very resolute and well organised Selwyn United team.

I was very pleased with our mentality and we gave everything to maintain our perfect start to the season, it was a real squad performance with 15 of the 16 man squad taking the pitch with everyone making an impact.

This evening we welcome Nomads United. Although Nomads results have not been great

they certainly try to play football the right way and are well set up so we will expect a tough encounter and will not take them lightly!

Please get behind us as we look to continue our recent winning run.

Paul Ifill
Men's First Team Head Coach



CAPTAIN'S COMMENTS

Hello and welcome back to the United Sports Centre!

We are fresh off the back of a last gasp win against Selwyn United. It was a game that really tested us and we were pleased to finally get over the line with a huge goal coming from Dan Maclellan before Haris Zeb added another.

Apart from the last minute goals, we were pleased to keep our third clean sheet of the season. Even though we dominated the ball it takes a lot of concentration to stay switched on at the back and the boys did exactly that, Scott Morris also made some huge saves that kept the score level.

Another positive from the game was the impact of the substitutes, who all made a difference

and underlined the strength in depth we have across the pitch.

Today's opponents Nomads United will be looking to bounce back from their narrow defeat last week and we know we'll have to be focused again to take all three points.

This fixture last season was one of our toughest, and I'm sure today will be no different.

Enjoy the game and thanks for your support!

Matt Tod-Smith
Men's First Team Captain

SOUTHERN LEAGUE

ROUND 05 FIXTURES



HOME FIXTURE



Nomads United AFC



FRIDAY 21 APRIL

7.00PM, UNITED SPORTS CENTRE

REST OF LEAGUE FIXTURES



SATURDAY 22 APRIL

1.30PM, GARRICK MEMORIAL



SATURDAY 22 APRIL

2.45PM, FERRYMEAD PARK



SATURDAY 22 APRIL

2.45PM, AVONHEAD PARK



SUNDAY 23 APRIL

1.50PM, SAXTON FIELD



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ROUND 04 REVIEW



FIRST TEAM RESULT

REST OF LEAGUE RESULTS



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3 - 4



GREEN ISLAND
VS NELSON SUBURBS



2 - 1



DUNEDIN CITY ROYALS
VS FERRYMEAD BAYS



0 - 2



NOMADS UNITED
VS FC TWENTY 11



1 - 1



COASTAL SPIRIT
VS CASHMERE TECHNICAL

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Christchurch United	4	4	0	0	14	2	12	12
Cashmere Technical	4	3	1	0	18	5	13	10
Dunedin City Royals	4	3	0	1	12	6	6	9
Ferrymead Bays	4	2	1	1	7	4	3	7
Selwyn United	4	2	0	2	5	8	-3	6
Nelson Suburbs	4	1	1	2	7	12	-5	4
Coastal Spirit	4	1	1	2	2	8	-6	4
Green Island AFC	4	1	0	3	5	8	-3	3
FC Twenty 11	4	1	0	3	2	9	-7	3
Nomads United	4	0	0	4	4	14	-10	0



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2023 MEN'S FIRST TEAM



1 SCOTT
MORRIS



3 NICHOLAS
MURPHY



4 SAM
PETERSON



5 RILEY
GROVER



6 AARON
O'DRISCOLL



7 HARIS
ZEB



8 PAUL
IFILL



9 DANIEL
MACLENNAN



10 EOGHAN
STOKES



11 SAM
PHILIP



12 WILLIAM
PIERCE



13 FREWEN
WATTS

ABSENT FROM MEDIA DAY 2. ABDUL KHALIFA 27. HADLEY WIREMU



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SOUTHERN LEAGUE SQUAD



15 JACKSON
COLE



16 CAMERON
LINDSAY



18 THOMAS
CHAD



19 HUGO
DEBENHAM



20 DANIEL
MEYN



21 LOUIS
KING



22 MATTHEW
TOD-SMITH



23 BENJI
LAPSLIE



24 JAGO
GODDEN



25 LUCA
MOLNAR



26 SORASIT MAC
PRATHUMHITAK



PHOTO GALLERY

COURTESY OF JIM WATTS



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Southern League | Round 04
Selwyn United vs Christchurch United



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SOUTHERN LEAGUE

CHRISTCHURCH UNITED 2023 FIXTURES

H	01 VS GREEN ISLAND AFC	SAT 25 MAR	1.30PM	UNITED SPORTS CENTRE
A	02 VS COASTAL SPIRIT	SUN 2 APR	12.00PM	LINFIELD PARK
H	03 VS DUNEDIN CITY ROYALS	FRI 7 APR	1.30PM	UNITED SPORTS CENTRE
A	04 VS SELWYN UNITED	FRI 14 APR	7.00PM	FOSTER PARK
H	05 VS NOMADS UNITED	FRI 21 APR	7.00PM	UNITED SPORTS CENTRE
A	06 VS FERRYMEAD BAYS	SAT 29 APR	2.45PM	FERRYMEAD PARK
H	07 VS NELSON SUBURBS	SAT 6 MAY	11.30AM	UNITED SPORTS CENTRE
H	08 VS FC TWENTY 11	FRI 19 MAY	7.00PM	UNITED SPORTS CENTRE
A	09 VS CASHMERE TECHNICAL	SAT 27 MAY	2.45PM	GARRICK MEMORIAL
A	10 VS GREEN ISLAND AFC	SAT 10 JUN	12.00PM	SUNNYVALE PARK
H	11 VS COASTAL SPIRIT	FRI 23 JUN	7.00PM	UNITED SPORTS CENTRE
A	12 VS NOMADS UNITED	SAT 1 JUL	2.45PM	TULETT PARK
H	13 VS SELWYN UNITED	FRI 14 JUL	2.45PM	UNITED SPORTS CENTRE
A	14 VS DUNEDIN CITY ROYALS	SAT 22 JUL	12.00PM	DUNEDIN FOOTBALL TURF
H	15 VS FERRYMEAD BAYS	FRI 4 AUG	7.00PM	UNITED SPORTS CENTRE
A	16 VS NELSON SUBURBS	SUN 13 AUG	12.00PM	SAXTON FIELDS
A	17 VS FC TWENTY 11	SAT 26 AUG	2.45PM	AVONHEAD PARK
H	18 VS CASHMERE TECHNICAL	SAT 3 SEP	1.30PM	UNITED SPORTS CENTRE

H = HOME A = AWAY

TOP 3 TEAMS AND WELLINGTON PHOENIX RESERVES (AUTO-QUALIFICATION)
QUALIFY FOR NZ NATIONAL LEAGUE

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PLAYER PROFILE

ARMAN NURPEISOV – UNDER 14S



This week we sat down with Arman Nurpeisov from the Christchurch United U14s.

Q: How long have you been playing at Christchurch United?

A: I have been with for Christchurch United since I was 6 years old and have played in the FUNino grassroots programme and throughout all the pre-academy teams.

Q: What do you like about being a part of Christchurch United?

A: I really love the facilities at United Sports Centre, there's always new structures being built and it feels really new compared to other clubs. Also the coaches I have had over the years have been really good and have helped me a lot in my football skills.

Q: What do you want to achieve with the U14s this year?

A: I really want to improve my positioning and focus on the attacking moments as much as I can. I play as a right wingback and want to try to master how to play in this position also

Q: What is your favourite club outside Christchurch United?

A: Has to be Real Madrid, when Ronaldo played he was so good and exciting to watch.





PLAYER PROFILE

MATT TOD-SMITH

PLAYER BIO

Nickname	MTS
Age	24 Years
Place of Birth	Wellington
Playing Position	Centre Midfield
Right / Left Footed	Depends
Previous Clubs	Nelson Suburbs Tasman United North Wellington Wairarapa United
Honours / Trophies	Southern League 2022

DID YOU KNOW?

My favourite pro club is: Man United

If I wasn't a footballer I would be: Tennis Player

One thing people may not know about me is:
I'm studying to be a teacher

The country I haven't been but want to visit:
Canada

The item on top of my bucket list is: Bungee Jump

Most underrated TV show is: Peep Show

My favourite TV show character is: Tommy Shelby

Favourite place to dine out is: Mexicali's

Favourite day of the week is: Saturday

I was starstruck when I met: Eoghan Stokes

I've been told I look like: A young Lleyton Hewitt

Q&A SESSION

Q: What's your best footballing memory and why?
A: Winning the 2022 Southern League on the final day

Best advice you have ever been given?
A: Don't sweat the small stuff

Q: What advice would give you any young players playing your position?
A: Don't stop running

Q: What is your pre-match routine? Do you have any lucky charms / superstitions?
A: Drink yerba mate with Eoghan Stokes

Q: What are your goals and ambitions for the season?
A: Do better than last season

Q: How would you describe yourself as a player?
A: Underwhelming

Q: Which team do you most look forward to playing?
A: Cashmere Technical

Q: Toughest individual player you've played against and why?
A: Scott Morris, reflexes like a cat

Q: What non-football accomplishment are you most proud of?
A: Finishing my degree

Q: If you could go to dinner with any 3 people (past or present), who would it be?
A: Roy Keane, David Mitchell and Scott Morris

Q: Do you have any secret party tricks?
A: I'll keep it a secret



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1, 2, 3 or 4?

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LATEST NEWS

CHRISTCHURCH UNITED SOCIAL LEAGUES

Our social league have now started on our brand new mini pitches which give players more opportunities to play football all year round with 50 minutes of pure football every week.

We have social and corporate leagues starting from 19th June which run in 10 weekly competitions, visit cufc.co.nz or email info@cufc.co.nz for more information.



CHRISTCHURCH UNITED RADIO SHOW

Christchurch United Radio Show launched on Spotify and PlainsFM 96.6.

Christchurch United Radio Show is on Spotify and PlainsFM 96.6, on the second Saturday of every month 11.30am – 12pm, catchup with all the latest news and event from United Sports centre.

Scan the QR to listen to the show



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**"THERE'S ONLY ONE DANIEL MACLENNAN, GOOD
LUCK TO THOSE TRYING TO TACKLE HIM!"**

**"PHILIPS, PHILIPS HE CAN SCORE FROM ANYWHERE,
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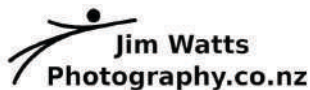
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