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A WARM WELCOME BACK TO SHEPHERDS PARK FOR WHAT IS ONE OF THE BUSIEST DAYS OF THE YEAR FOR THE CLUB THUS FAR.

It has been all hands on deck for this much anticipated Saturday with the season kicking off for Juniors earlier this morning followed by our youth and senior footballers this afternoon to complete a full day of action.

This all would not be possible if it wasn't for the loyal leaders of the club Ross and Ben who have been busily welcoming both existing and new young footballers into the Birkenhead United family over the last few months.

With Ben and Ross currently away other key members of the club have stepped up this week to ensure the season started on the right foot.

A great deal of energy and organisation goes into allowing 1200 enthusiastic players to enjoy the game, and it's with the utmost respect I thank them

for all their efforts including this week's volunteers who got us across the line.

To our senior teams led by the energetic Ian Morgan who have also kicked off their social season of football, we wish you all the best for the games that lie ahead.

Today is capped off with the Men's first team hosting Manurewa and tomorrow our Women's Championship team welcomes Manukau United to Shepherds Park for round 4 of their exciting season.

A fantastic day thus far and luck to our women for tomorrow. For now bring on the men's game as they look to forge another win for the season.

William Taylor

Birkenhead United AFC President



PAUL HOBSON COACH'S COMMENTS



WELCOME TO BRETT AND HIS MANUREWA TEAM.

From what I've seen, Manurewa will be pushing for that top 4 spot this season. The league looks like it's taking shape already, and this is a big game for both clubs.

Last week's Friday game was as frustrating as it gets, with so many chances going begging. It was just one of those games where we couldn't put them away, points dropped, and we know we can't afford many weekends like that.

Junior football starts this weekend, where once again Shepherd's Park will be buzzing. We wish Ross a speedy recovery. Saturday mornings won't

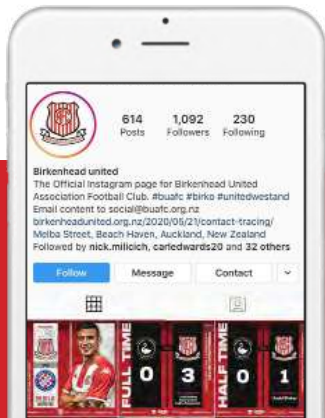
be the same for a few weeks—an absolute legend of a man who has devoted a massive chunk of his life as a volunteer to Birkenhead Utd.

Finally, thanks to all the ball boys/girls at all clubs who volunteer and stand in the cold for 90 minutes. They do a great job.

Enjoy the game and we hope to see you around the clubrooms.

Paul Hobson

Birkenhead United Men's First Team Coach



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A Message from Martin Cooper

Harcourts Cooper & Co are very proud to again be supporting this exciting club and community that is Birkenhead United AFC. We've loved seeing and experiencing the growth and success of the club over the past several years and now my own granddaughter is playing here, I will be even more invested in the match day games and the development of our young players.

Living and working in the communities in which we operate is of utmost importance to Harcourts Cooper & Co. This season we are celebrating coming into a more active year with more opportunities to get amongst our communities while continuing to meet our clients' real estate needs. With a decade of giving back, we have assisted local organisations and charities to raise around \$10 million, making meaningful differences in our community.

Each year, our dedicated Community Team supports over 400 different organisations and events – from local school fairs, running and swimming events, sports clubs such as yours, Santa parades, charity fundraisers and all-sorts in between.

Our fun Coffee&Cone van is always out and about serving up delicious ice creams and coffee, raising money at different community events in the North Harbour region – look out for it at some of the Men's 1st Team games this winter.

We are humbled to have been recognised for our support of our community for the past five years in a row at the REINZ annual excellence awards. However, to us, supporting those communities in which we live, love, and work in is just a natural extension of good business and giving back.

To be a Platinum Sponsor of the Birkenhead United AFC is a privilege for Harcourts Cooper & Co and for Dianne and Daniel Lundquist who have a long history with the club. We are looking forward to a lively, successful season of football!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Martin Cooper". The signature is stylized and includes a large checkmark-like flourish at the end.

ROUND 06 REVIEW



FIRST TEAM FIXTURE



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	4 - 3		MANUREWA VS BAY OLYMPIC
	2 - 1		TAURANGA CITY VS WEST COAST RANGERS
	7 - 3		AUCKLAND CITY VS MELVILLE UNITED
	2 - 4		HAMILTON WANDERERS VS WESTERN SPRINGS
	0 - 1		AUCKLAND UNITED VS EASTERN SUBURBS

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Auckland City	6	6	0	0	22	6	16	18
Western Springs	6	6	0	0	20	6	14	18
Birkenhead United	6	4	1	1	12	6	6	13
Eastern Suburbs	6	4	0	2	12	7	5	12
Manurewa	6	3	1	2	17	11	6	10
Auckland United	6	3	0	3	9	7	2	9
Bay Olympic	6	3	0	3	12	12	0	9
Tauranga City	6	2	0	4	12	19	-7	6
Melville United	6	1	0	5	8	25	-17	3
West Coast Rangers	6	0	2	4	8	16	-8	2
East Coast Bays	6	0	2	4	4	12	-8	2
Hamilton Wanderers	6	0	2	4	9	18	-9	2

ROUND 07 PREVIEW



FIRST TEAM FIXTURE



BIRKENHEAD UNITED vs MANUREWA

Saturday 27th April, 3pm,
Shepherds Park

OTHER FIXTURES

RESULTS



**AUCKLAND UNITED
VS WEST COAST RANGERS**

Saturday 27th April, 3.00pm,
Keith Hay Park

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**TAURANGA CITY
VS EAST COAST BAYS**

Saturday 27th April, 3.00pm,
Links Ave

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**AUCKLAND CITY
VS WESTERN SPRINGS**

Saturday 27th April, 3.00pm,
Kiwitea Street

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**HAMILTON WANDERERS
VS BAY OLYMPIC**

Saturday 27th April, 5.00pm,
Porritt Stadium

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**MELVILLE UNITED
VS EASTERN SUBURBS**

Saturday 27th April, 5.00pm,
Gower Park

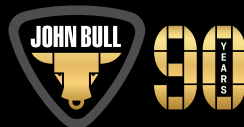
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PLAYER PROFILE

GEORGE BROWN

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QUICKFIRE

My favourite pro club is...

Bournemouth

If I wasn't a footballer I would be...

DJ

One thing people may not know about me is...

I grew up in West Auckland

The country I've never been to but want to visit is...

Japan

The item on top of my bucket list is...

Play football professionally

My favourite sports team growing up was...

All Blacks

Most underrated movie or TV show is...

Catch Me If You Can

My favourite place to dine out is...

SPQR Ponsonby is too good

I was starstruck when I met...

Richie McCaw

PLAYER BIO

Nickname:	GB
Age / D.O.B	22 / 05 / 2004
Place of Birth:	Christchurch
Playing Position:	LB / LWB
Right / Left:	Left
Previous Clubs:	Tauranga AFC, Melville United AFC

Q & A SESSION

What's your best football memory?

Winning New Zealand Secondary Schools tournament for the first time for Tauranga Boys'

Best advice you've ever been given?

Do what you love and love what you do

What do your coaches often tell you?

Pass

What advice would you give any young players playing your position?

Work Hard

How would you describe yourself as a player?

Kick and Chase merchant

Who is the one team you most look forward to playing each season, and why?

Tauranga City, always good fun playing against ex teammates

What non-football accomplishment are you most proud of?

Becoming prefect at Tauranga boys college

If you could go to dinner with any three people (past or present), who would it be and why?

Muhammad Ali, David Guetta and Richie McCaw.

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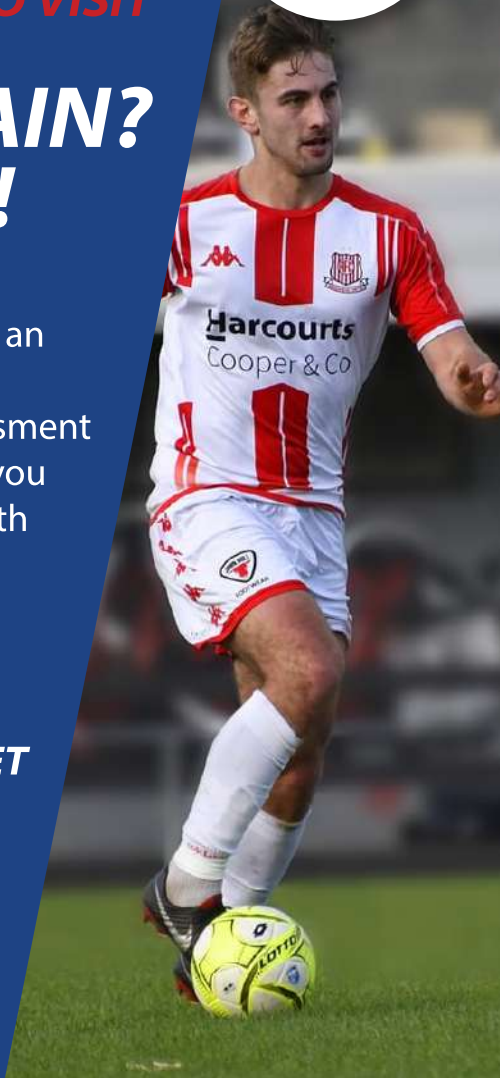
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JORDAN ROBERTS COACH'S COMMENTS



HELLO AND A WARM WELCOME TO MANUKAU UNITED.

We know both teams will be looking to take away points from this fixture to stay in touch with the rest of the league as it starts to take shape although still very early in the season.

Last weekend the weather unfortunately did not come to the party and our game vs Melville was postponed. A positive is the team is well rested and excited to get the ball rolling again in a game which we will be hoping to play on the front foot and create a few more chances in front of goal. It is great for us to be back at Shepherds Park and we are looking forward to playing in front of our supporters today.

The youth girls finally get their season underway

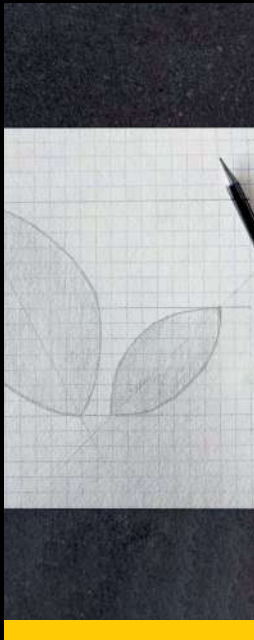
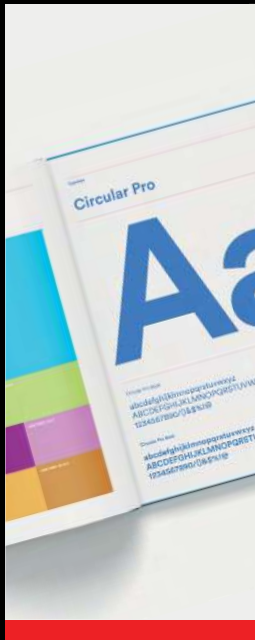
this weekend. A lot of work has gone in over the first term to get the teams up to speed and ready to compete, all the best to our players and coaches go well!

Lastly a big thank you to our volunteers who are constants down at the club making sure everything is looked after. The club does not function the same without your continued support.

We hope you enjoy the game today and to see you up at the clubrooms with some food & drink supporting the girls.

Jordan Roberts

Birkenhead United Women's First Team Coach



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ROUND 03 PREVIEW



FIRST TEAM FIXTURE



P - P



3 - 4



**FRANKLIN UNITED
VS FC TAURANGA MOANA**



7 - 2



**ONEHUNGA SPORTS
VS MANUKAU UNITED**



0 - 3



**CENTRAL UNITED
VS NORTHERN ROVERS**

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
FC Tauranga Moana	3	3	0	0	10	5	5	9
Franklin United	3	2	0	1	13	6	7	6
Onehunga Sports	3	2	0	1	8	3	5	6
Northern Rovers	3	1	1	1	6	6	0	4
Birkenhead United	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	3
Melville United	2	0	1	1	2	4	-2	1
Central United	3	0	1	2	3	7	-4	1
Manukau United	3	0	1	2	5	15	-10	1

ROUND 04 PREVIEW



FIRST TEAM FIXTURE



BIRKENHEAD UNITED vs MANUKAU UNITED

Sunday 28th April, 1.00pm,
Shepherds Park

OTHER FIXTURES

RESULTS



**NORTHERN ROVERS
VS ONEHUNGA SPORTS**

Friday 26th April, 7.30pm,
McFetridge Park

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**FC TAURANGA MOANA
VS CENTRAL UNITED**

Sunday 28th April, 1.00pm,
Fergusson Park

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**MELVILLE UNITED
VS FRANKLIN UNITED**

Sunday 28th April, 1.00pm,
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Team Manager



PLAYER PROFILE

CHARLOTTE GORDON

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QUICKFIRE

My favourite pro club is...
Liverpool

If I wasn't a footballer I would be...
Working on yachts, travelling the world.

One thing people may not know about me is...
I have died and been brought back to life before.

The country I've never been to but want to visit is...
Japan

The item on top of my bucket list is...
Visiting every continent

My favourite sports team growing up was...
All Blacks

Most underrated movie or TV show is...
In the night garden

My favourite place to dine out is...
Hello Beasty

I was starstruck when I met...
Obama

PLAYER BIO

Nickname:	Charlie
Age / D.O.B	05/03/2003
Place of Birth:	Auckland, New Zealand
Playing Position:	Left Full Back
Right / Left:	Both but kick with left
Previous Clubs:	Eastern Suburbs, Auckland United

Q & A SESSION

What's your best football memory?
Getting a football Scholarship to Kings College because it was physical proof of how dedicated I was to football.

Best advice you've ever been given?
Release the idea that things could have been any other way.

What do your coaches often tell you?
To stop getting in my head about mistakes made while playing.

What advice would you give any young players playing your position?
To be confident in attacking and going for goal as well.

How would you describe yourself as a player?
Aggressive.

Who is the one team you most look forward to playing each season, and why?
Northern Rovers because winning against them is the most satisfying and fun.

What non-football accomplishment are you most proud of?
My art being put in an exhibit and selling.

If you could go to dinner with any three people (past or present), who would it be and why?
My mum, Madeleine McCann and Paul Mescal



BUAFC HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

OUR BUAFC HOLIDAY PROGRAMME WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

We wanted to take a moment to extend our thanks to our parents and young players who came along for the four amazing days, Live Wire Entertainment for their invaluable sponsorship and Chris Bryson along with our amazing team of coaches for their organisation and dedication. It made the programme an unforgettable experience for all the children involved.

From games and activities to valuable football lessons, every moment was filled with fun and learning and gave plenty of opportunities for the players to demonstrate our BIRKO values. To all the parents whose children participated in

the holiday programme, if you haven't collected your vouchers yet, please drop by the clubrooms this week. Your vouchers will be waiting behind the bar for you from 6pm this evening.

Once again, a massive thank you to LiveWire Super Park, Chris Bryson, and the entire coaching team for making this holiday programme a huge success!

Keep an eye out mid-way through the term, we are already planning our next holiday programme for the July school holidays which will be bigger and better than ever!



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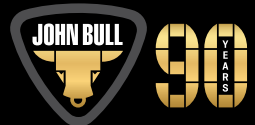


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