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NORTH SHORE UNITED

vs BIRKENHEAD UNITED

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Message from the President 'Yesterday, today and tomorrow'

Welcome one and all to Allen Hill for the first time this year, even though the season is already four games old! As I write this, we have had two wins and a loss (at time of writing the fourth game has not been played). A reasonable start and hopefully a signpost for the rest of the season. Of course, the stakes are much higher this year with the top four in the Northern League gaining direct entry to the National League. Today's visitors, Birko, will also fancy their chances of a National League spot and this alone should make for a tasty local derby.

It is great to see all the planning work going on around the club as the junior and first kicks seasons are put into place. None of us has forgotten the difficulties of 2020 but we are enthusiastic and looking towards an uninterrupted season of football. An organisation such as ours is only as effective as its key personnel and the organisational work done by Football Development Manager, Ryan Ward continues to be exceptional as are the efforts of new Club Manager, Donna Gustafson.

Regular visitors to the club will notice some of the changes being made, not the least of which is an upgraded kitchen and Saturday menu and a new serving area under cover.

Much of the work that has been undertaken has been done by enthusiastic volunteers, marshalled superbly by Sean Jones. As we look at progressively upgrading our building, we are also re-examining our heritage and history as the oldest football club in New Zealand and looking for ways to display more of our priceless past, for acknowledgement of where we have been makes it easier to understand where we are going. It is interesting to note that the club was founded a mere 47 years after the Treaty of Waitangi – a fact that puts our history into perspective.

Turning to 2021 and beyond, we are excited to announce that Auckland University of Technology (AUT) football teams will play as part of North Shore United. We are looking too at other opportunities to offer exercise, competition and friendship to more adults and children in our catchment area. Our history – leading us into the future.

Enjoy the game. Catch up with old friends and come on Shore...



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Message from the Head Coach

Welcome to Allen Hill for our first home game of the season. At the time of writing this we have played three matches, with Eastern Suburbs to come on Saturday 10th April. We've had a reasonable start to the season winning the first two matches and unfortunately losing to Western Springs on Easter Monday. The performance on the night deserved more than we got from the game and the players acquitted themselves well enough to take at least a point. If we continue to perform at the same intensity and with the same attitude, the results will come.

We welcome Birkenhead United today in a local North Harbour derby. Paul Hobson has built another excellent group of quality young players for this season. Having worked with Paul for the past few National Leagues at Waitakere United I have seen first hand his coaching style and exactly why he has been so successful over the years at all age groups, recently winning the National U17's again. This fixture has been a very good contest over the past few seasons and I don't see this one being any different.

I'd like to thank everyone at the club for making the first team a viable entity, with big thanks to Steve Browning our chairman, Bill Lissington the sponsorship manager and all of our sponsors who have been so supportive of the club. The players and staff will be working hard to acknowledge their support.

Enjoy the game.



Malcolm McPherson
Head Coach, Director of Football

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Western Springs 	4	4	0	0	8	12
Auckland City 	3	3	0	0	7	9
Auckland United 	4	2	1	1	2	7
Melville United 	4	2	1	1	2	7
North Shore United 	3	2	0	1	2	6
Bay Olympic 	3	2	0	1	1	6
Birkenhead United 	4	2	0	2	0	6
Hamilton Wanderers 	4	1	1	2	0	4
Eastern Suburbs 	3	1	0	2	-2	3
Northern Rovers 	4	1	0	3	-4	3
Manukau United 	4	0	1	3	-5	1
West Coast Rangers 	4	0	0	4	-11	0



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Marko Memedovic



Roussin Nkoy



Rayhan Carlson
du Toit



Joseph Lee



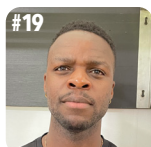
Tristan Prattley



Harry Lissington



Harrison Bolton-Roberts



Emmanuel Darkwa



Roshan Kumar



Silvio Rodic



Kris Naicker



Godwin Darkwa



Adyn Kettle



Tafara Chawira



Joss Neale



Tapfuma Dimairo



Denver Macdonald



Calvin Lee

Support staff



Bill Lissington
Manager



Brian Shandley
Assistant Manager



Facu Profe
Trainer/Sports Scientist

GOAL SCORERS:

- Horace James - 2
- Harrison Bolton-Roberts - 1
- Marko Memedovic - 1
- Tinashe Marowa - 1
- Oggie - 1



Photo courtesy of Horace James Junior

Message from the Football Development Manager

North Shore United U23's/ Reserves 2021

In my role of Football Development Manager here at North Shore United, I am privileged to be able to coach with the help of Alex Ferguson (Player & Assistant Coach) and Joey Chambers (Assistant Coach) a really good group of young hard working players in the U'23's / Reserves squad. 2021 is going to be a great development season for the squad. They will be learning lots from every game, playing against older, more experienced players but this experience will stand them in good stead for the future. They will no doubt massively develop throughout the duration of the season.

It has been a tough season so far with regards to results, but as the saying goes, you learn more from a loss than do a win, a lot of learning has occurred. We have unfortunately been hampered with plenty of sickness and injuries in the first three weeks of the season. However, this has given the opportunity to the younger players to set up and play reserve team level football. We have had three 15 year olds (Hugo Sweetman, Nabeel Khan & Ollie Price) and two 16 year olds (John Perkinson & Angus Cliffe) featuring in our first three games of the season. The young lads have been welcomed into the squad and have done a tremendous job, constantly working hard, always learning and eager to develop. Alex, Joey and myself are very proud of the boys.

We do have key players – the Moore brothers, Joe & Tom – coming back from injury, which will help bolster the squad in the coming weeks. The team is in high spirits with good numbers at training, training at a great intensity. The reserves are training with our 17th Grade Metro squad, which provides great exposure for the younger players to train and play against more of the senior older players. The boys are really enjoying their monthly curry nights after training on a Thursday! It's like a bunch of hungry wolves on a feeding frenzy!

There is a great link between Takapuna Grammar School (TGS) and North Shore United, with the majority of the players graduating from the TGS First XI Squad over the years. With Alex Ferguson being the oldest player in the squad, leaving TGS back in 2014, and youngest players being Nabeel Khan and Hugo Sweetman currently in Year 11 at TGS.

We look forward to the season and we hope you enjoy today's game!



Ryan Ward
Football Development Manager



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2021 Fixtures

2021 Lotto NRFL Premier Division

27 March	Hamilton Wanderers	Away	2-1 W
02 April	West Coast Rangers	Away	2-0 W
05 April	Western Springs	Away	2-3 L
10 April	Eastern Suburbs	Away	Postponed
17 April	Birkenhead United	Home	
24 April	Melville United	Away	
01 May	Auckland City	Home	
08 May	Auckland United	Away	
15 May	Bay Olympic	Home	
22 May	Manukau United	Away	
29 May	Northern Rovers	Home	
12 June	Hamilton Wanderers	Home	
26 June	West Coast Rangers	Home	
3 July	Western Springs	Home	
17 July	Eastern Suburbs	Home	
24 July	Birkenhead United	Away	
31 July	Melville United	Home	
7 August	Auckland City	Away	
14 August	Auckland United	Home	
21 August	Bay Olympic	Away	
28 August	Manukau United	Home	
4 September	Northern Rovers	Away	

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