

ODP Boys Program

A Busy and Successful Fall/Winter!

The Boys ODP program got off to a great start for the 2011-2012 season with tryouts at the end of September resulting in a top-notch pool of players in the 1995, 96, 97, 98, 99 and 2000 age groups. Training through the fall has been held at United Futbol Academy's South Forsyth Complex, with training over the winter at Polo Fields. The consistent training locations have been a big improvement for the program this year, allowing coaches to focus on training instead of training locations. Over the winter, our '95, '96, '97, '98 and '99 teams traveled to Winston-Salem, North Carolina for a sub-regional event the weekend of January 7th and 8th. The weather was beautiful and the boys enjoyed an excellent weekend of soccer. More recently, our 2000 age group traveled to Birmingham, Alabama January 28th and 29th for a weekend of matches vs. Alabama ODP teams.

On the Regional and National levels, Georgia ODP was well represented on the U14 National Team and Region III teams as the following boys headed to the Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, California for training and games over the Thanksgiving break:

Lagos Kunga	U14 National Team – 1998 Georgia Pool
Alexander Dexter	1998 Region III Team
Diego Manrique	1998 Region III Team
Cameron Reaves	1998 Region III Team
Qu'ran Thomas	1998 Region III Team
Matthew Morgan	1997 Region III Team

Here is a link to the US Youth Soccer release which describes the Thanksgiving Interregional event:
<http://idevmail.americaneagle.com/message.aspx?d=227&m=1579&e=aeburger@bellsouth.net&r=11141757&f=HTML>

Over the weekend of December 10th and 11th, the 1994 and 1995 Region teams participated in Interregional play in conjunction with the NCAA College Cup in Birmingham, Alabama. Congratulations to **Zaki Colabawala** who represented Georgia on the 1995 Region III team.

From January 26 – 29th, the 1996 Interregional event was held at the IMG Soccer Academy in Bradenton, Florida. Congratulations to **Trenton Whitely** for representing Georgia on the 1996 Region III Team.

This spring, many of our boys will be participating in the Region III International event to Guadalajara, Mexico. Further information and those participating will be provided when the rosters are named.

We are looking forward to Spring training as we gear up for Region Camp in July! See you on the pitch!