



Today's Line-ups

Cambridge FC

GK Ryan McNamara
 4 Nathan Claridge
 12 Jonathan Monteith
 19 Blair Cooper
 2 Adam Graham
 5 Wilfried Weber
 17 Lee McNally
 6 Josh Powell
 15 Scott Parsonage
 10 Gareth Clark
 9 Peter Loyd
 8 Dan Podjursky
 13 Dave Fisher
 14 Malcolm Matthews
 18 Andrew Treanor
 7 Dima Slack
 3 Luke Gordon
 Coach: Andrew Treanor
 Asst: Josh Easby

Onehunga-Mangere

GK Glen Pascoe
 Koji Taneda
 David Carron
 Charlie Rewha
 Abraham Turner
 Michael Loftus
 Hayden Cleere
 Justin Eiman
 Nilesh Kumar
 Shaun Lynch
 Marc Lindsay
 Sammy Negash
 Michael Judd
 Sangster Crawford
 Joel Facon
 Jason Daniels
 RGK Sam Burdett
 Coach: Michael Loftus
 Manager: Barbara Lindsay



FIRST TEAM ACTION: Cambridge striker Dima Slack takes on the defence during a recent home match against Pukekohe. Photograph: Grant Stantiall.

MATCH PROGRAMME

Cambridge FC v Onehunga–Mangere United

John Kerkhof Park, Vogel St, Cambridge

Lotto Northern Region Football League Division 1
 2.45 pm, Saturday June 12, 2010



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Today's Visitors



Onehunga–Mangere United has operated under many names since its inception in 1921. It started at Onehunga Methodist Church to give a social sporting outlet to young men in the area and, of course, this encouraged the young ladies to come along also. It then moved under the auspices of the Onehunga Athletic Club and eventually operated as the Onehunga Association Football Club in Princes St, Onehunga, on ground opposite the Exchange Hotel.

In 1965, the club moved again and took over the sports grounds on Mangere Mountain. The club was renamed Onehunga-Mangere United. The inception of softball as a summer sport in the 1980s brought a new dimension and it once again underwent a few variations until Onehunga Mangere United Sports Club was finally accepted by everyone.

The club has won New Zealand's oldest football competition, the Chatham Cup, and has provided All Whites.

This season's players in: Michael

Loftus (overseas), Joel Facon (Ellerslie AFC).

Players out: Steven May (Warkworth), Kyosuke Kitano (Eastern Suburbs AFC).

Coaches: Murray Saunders, Michael Loftus and Ron Warbrick.

The coaches believe the club can continue to improve this year and make the July cut-off when the first division splits into two competitions.

“After a successful season last year we are hoping to build on the fifth placing in the first division.

“We are looking forward to the development of many of our younger players who impressed in their first season of senior football last year.

“The club is continuing to strive towards developing young local talent through our close association with the local high school.”

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Club round-up

and his volley went wide with the 'keeper stranded.

McIlmurray got Athletic back level around the 35th minute following up from Thomas Rea's header.

This spurred Cambridge on and the pressure was well and truly on the hosts, Marc Thomas blazed over with just the keeper to beat and both Ollie and Thomas Rea went close before the half time whistle blew, much to the relief of Oto.

To the home team's credit the second half was a much more equal contest with fewer clear-cut opportunities, though some late Cambridge pressure should have seen them home, poor finishing and a stonewall penalty that never got awarded so the game finished in a stalemate, 2 points lost on a day Cambridge couldn't hit a cow on the arse with a banjo.

Foster, aka Dobbins, will be fitted with blinkers next week.

Player of the Day - Gaz Porter.

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Waikato C

The Cambridge C team's fixture against Melville United was postponed. The C's are 3rd on the 10-team table, four points behind leaders Te Awamutu but with a game in hand.

Waikato D1

Waikato D2

Cambridge D1 1
Cambridge D2 7

The Clash of the Titans was settled by a decisive margin as D2's striker Trent Frampton grabbed four goals to help his side go top of the table by two points.

Junior Tourney

Up to 400 junior rep players will visit Cambridge this Sunday (June 13) for a major tournament.

Volunteers are needed to help run the shop throughout the tournament. If you can help, please contact a committee member.

The tournament takes place from 9am to 3pm at the junior grounds.



Welcome



Steve Thomas is the chairman of Cambridge Football Club and is passionate about the club and its place in the community. Here he explains his vision for the club . . .

Steve Thomas, Chairman
Cambridge Football Club

Cambridge Football Club is one of the Waikato's fastest-growing sports clubs with more than 800 players, coaches, administrators and supporters.

We estimate that every tenth home in Cambridge (population 15,000) has at least one family member with a connection to the club. That's why we're so committed to ensuring our club represents the Cambridge community in a manner that befits the town - a town that proudly claims to be the Home Of Champions.

The rapid growth of our club means we have to be clear about our priorities in our planning. Our immediate focus is to continue the upgrade of our facilities at John Kerkhof Park in Vogel Street which has already seen new goalposts for our senior pitches and extra changing rooms.

Our club has a reputation for providing an environment that encourages social activity and friendship among its teams - we're seen in the football community as a 'social club'.

While we are pleased to have such a reputation, it's also important that we now focus on building a strong first team so we can compete at a high level and develop our best senior players.

We now have a three-year plan in place to build a first team squad around a nucleus of young players who have mainly come through our junior and Under 19 teams. They are the future of the club and I urge you to support their efforts.

As always, we are grateful to our sponsors who this year include Ricoh and More FM Waikato.

Enjoy your season!

SPORTSWORLD

Junior Player of the Week

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First Team



CAMBRIDGE FC's first team: Back row (from left): Andrew Treanor (coach), Johnathan Monteith, Oz McNamara, Peter Loyd, Wilfried Weber, Blair Cooper, Dave Fisher, Dan Podjursky, Matty Aberhart. Front row (from left): Lee McNally, Malcolm Matthews, Adam Graham, Gareth Clark, Nathan Claridge, Scott Parsonage, Josh Powell.

GK Ryan (Oz) McNamara
Goalkeeper, 20

Australian-born Ryan played his first team football last year for Cambridge and was a member of the club's successful Under 19 squad. Strong and confident, he is also a skillful outfield player. Scored against Birkenhead Utd.

4 Nathan Claridge
Defender/midfielder, 19

A graduate of Cambridge's Under 19 squad, Nathan made his first team debut last season but is now aiming to secure a regular place in the starting line-up. He's helped by his ability to slot into a number of positions.



Waikato A

Cambridge Legends 2
Wanderers Classics 2

The Amcal Cambridge Legends took on familiar foes Hamilton Wanderers Classics at John Kerkhof Park keen to bounce back after their shock defeat the previous week.

For the second week, the Reds fielded a below-strength side with several key players missing and the visitors took advantage early on with an effort on goal, which seemed to slip through the hands of stand-in keeper, Dave Casbolt, to open the scoring.

Going a goal down seemed to spark up the Reds with Bevan Mayo and Tony Dikmans creating things out wide, but strikers Blair Ludlam and Tom Gifford weren't having much luck in front of goal.

A goal down at the break and it got worse for the home side when a mix up between Graham Jones and Richie Hill saw the Wanderers striker nip in to put another past Casbolt in goal to double the lead. With 30 minutes remaining and nothing to lose the Reds piled on the pressure. Richie Mita rose superbly to header in a Tony McIsaac corner to halve the deficit and then Paul Hughes, Micky Welten and Tom Gifford



combined to give Blair Ludlam a simple tap-in to level the scores. A number of changes went begging late in the game, which should have got all three points for the Reds, but it wasn't to be.

Waikato B

Otorohanga 1
Cambridge Athletic 1

Cambridge will look back on their trip to Oto knowing the failed deliverance of the full points was against the run of play, however if any credit can be taken it was the first half performance which was as good as Athletic have played so far this season.

First blood went to Otorohanga as Russell Foster lost sight of the ball in the afternoon sun and it broke off his back and wrong-footed Ian Marshall in goal leaving the Oto striker with the easiest of opportunities to take the lead, it was the first time Oto had the ball in the Cambridge box.

Cambridge kept at their hosts and continued to play good football, Ken Graham's header from a series of corners hit the bar, Marc Thomas met Ollie's cut back and clipped the crossbar, Grant McIlmurray had a strike saved by the keeper, Ollie had an opportunity meeting a deep cross at the back post

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Club round-up

Federation 2

Kawerau Town 0
Cambridge 2

The long bus trip to league strugglers Kawerau had the Federation lads in good spirits well before kick off. Upon arrival it became clear that coach Steve Thomas' sentiments about the size of the pitch were no exaggeration; massive. A tweaked line-up welcoming Krishnaa Patel into left back and Brad leading the line with Joe Gifford, releasing Ringo Collette to the middle of the field alongside captain Jamie Coomber.

The first half flew by, the Reds going close on several occasions. It was all one way traffic though and replacement 'keeper Paul McCaan could have had a snooze such was the efficiency of the visitors' backline. Harry Gifford. Rob Cox and Steve Lee were unshakeable. It wasn't until the 35th minute that the breakthrough came. Good build up play

found Coomber who offered the pass of the day to release Gifford snr. down the right, who in turn drilled a cross low and fast into the path of a flying Brad who made no mistake, smashing home from 15 metres.

Following the break, the Reds made sure to keep the screws turning, doing their best to avoid the usual dodgy few minutes. However, 'keeper McCaan had to make a fine save over the bar and some early set piece pressure was absorbed before Cambridge settled again, and began to probe for a second. Joe Kilgour and Josh Dagnall were both in top form on the flanks, the latter having a quality game from start to finish and taking some big tackles.

As the visitors kept up the pressure and pace Kawerau saw their captain dismissed for dissent. The resulting free kick was delivered with aplomb by the hard working Collette onto the head of centreback Lee who had no trouble nodding it over the helpless Kawerau keeper. Shortly after the second goal Kawerau were down to nine men, the referee handing out a second yellow to one player and bringing the games' total to two red and five yellows, all but one to the home side.

The Feds are at home this weekend to Tauranga City United, kicking off at 2.30pm.

12 Jonathan Monteith
Defender, 21

Putaruru-based Jonathan ('Jono') is new to Cambridge and brings height and strength to the defence, as well as a high level of fitness.

19 Blair Cooper
Defender, 23

After making his first team debut at 15, Blair has developed into a commanding defender who is strong in the air and tackle.

2 Adam Graham
Defender/forward, 31

Adam joined Cambridge FC last year and successfully trialled for a first team spot in pre-season. One of the side's hardest trainers, Adam is equally at home at the heart of the defence or leading the attack.

5 Wilfried Weber
Midfielder, 19

New to the club, Cambridge-based Wilfried got his first team opportunity in pre-season, showing he is comfortable on the ball and well-suited to the side's passing style of football.

17 Lee McNally
Midfielder, 39

Age is no barrier for this experienced midfielder who has played many seasons for Cambridge at the highest level. As well as anchoring the Cambridge midfield, Lee has a powerful shot.

6 Josh Powell
Midfielder, 23

Made his first team debut in the same season as team-mate Blair Cooper and considers himself as Cambridge through-and-through, despite having to travel from Auckland for training and home games.

15 Scott Parsonage
Midfielder, 26

Joins the club from Matamata Swifts to make his Cambridge debut in the Northern League. Scott is one of the fittest players in the squad with a high workrate and confidence on the ball. He's also working to become a coach.

10 Gareth Clark
Forward/Midfielder, 18

Gareth broke into the first team last season after joining the club from Matamata and was a key member of the club's U19 side. He's highly committed to the club and has shown leadership potential which was rewarded with the captaincy during the side's pre-season games.

9 Peter Loyd
Forward, 17

A student in Cambridge, Peter earned his place in the first team squad with a series of good performances during pre-season, proving himself with a high workrate and intelligent use of the ball. His first Northern League goal was the winner against Hibiscus Coast.

Quiz Night

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Vogel St Clubrooms
Saturday July 24



3 Luke Gordon Defender

A proficient squash player, Luke performed well at left back last season but only re-joined the Cambridge squad in May when he made his first appearance in the draw at Papakura.

8 Dan Podjursky Midfield/forward, 17

Another young player who earned his chance for first team football after progressing through the club's U19 side. One of the squad's quickest players, his speed will be his strength.

13 Dave Fisher Defender, 21

Makes his debut for the first team this season after working hard in pre-season to step up to Northern League level. Dave is versatile and is equally comfortable on either side of the park.

14 Malcolm Matthews Utility, 20

An accomplished cricketer, Malcolm is a fit and speedy player capable of slotting into several roles. Makes his first team debut for Cambridge this season.

7 Dima Slack Forward, 19

Having been on the fringes of Cambridge's first team last season, Dima is keen to win a regular starting spot. Also a member of last season's successful Under 19 squad.

Coach

18 Andrew Treanor, 34
After coaching spells in Tokoroa and West Australia, Andrew has joined Cambridge FC to coach for the first time at Northern League level. A qualified coach and fitness trainer, he ensures his players are well prepared. He can also play, when needed, in goal or in the defence.

Assistant Coach

Josh Easby
A former youth team coach at Eden in the 1970s, Easby returns to coaching after a series of off-field football roles. These include two seasons as a director at English pro club York City. He's also written books about New Zealand football.



Golden Boot

Our goalscorers in this season's Northern League:

Gareth Clark	3
Blair Cooper	2
Matty Harper	1
Peter Loyd	1
Ryan McNamara	1
Scott Parsonage	1
Josh Powell	1



Fixture List

The following fixtures have been released for the Lotto-sponsored Northern Regional Football League and Chatham Cup. All games kick off at 2.45pm:

Date	Competition	Opponents	Venue	Result
Mar 20	NRFL Round 1	Fencibles Utd	Home	L 1-3
Mar 27	NRFL Round 2	Tauranga City	Away	L 0-5
Apr 3	NRFL Round 3	Matamata Swifts	Home	L 0-3
Apr 5	NRFL Round 4	Waiuku	Home	D 3-3
Apr 10	NRFL Round 5	Western Springs	Away	L 0-2
Apr 17	NRFL Round 6	Hibiscus Coast	Home	W 2-1
Apr 24	Chatham Cup	Westlake Boys High	Away	L 0-2
May 1	NRFL Round 8	Pukekohe AFC	Home	D 2-2
May 8	NRFL Round 9	Birkenhead United	Away	L 1-6
May 22	NRFL Round 10	Papakura City	Away	D 0-0
May 29	NRFL Round 11	Ellerslie	Home	L 0-5
Jun 5	NRFL Round 12	North Force	Away	L 1-3
Jun 12	NRFL Round 13	Onehunga-Mangere	Home	
Jun 19	NRFL Round 7	Mangere United	Away	
Jun 26	NRFL Round 14	North Shore United	Away	
Jul 3	NRFL Round 15	Mt Albert-Ponsonby	Away	

Note: Round 7 game v Mangere United (away) was rescheduled





League table

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ellerslie	11	9	2	0	31	8	29
North Force	12	9	2	1	30	12	29
Mt Albert–Ponsonby	11	7	1	3	31	16	22
Matamata Swifts	12	6	1	5	26	19	19
Western Springs	11	5	4	2	19	13	19
Birkenhead United	11	5	3	3	32	18	18
ONEHUNGA MANGERE	11	5	2	4	25	24	17
Hibiscus Coast	11	5	1	5	27	18	16
Fencibles Utd	11	5	1	5	22	17	16
Waiuku AFC	12	5	1	6	35	32	16
Tauranga City Utd	11	5	1	5	18	21	16
Mangere Utd	11	4	3	4	16	16	15
North Shore Utd	12	2	1	9	13	41	7
CAMBRIDGE	11	1	3	7	10	33	6
Papakura City	11	1	2	8	9	27	5
Pukekohe AFC	11	1	2	8	9	38	5

How this season works

The first 15 rounds of this season's Northern League Division 1 are a grading competition to establish two groups of teams:

- ▶ The top six who then face the bottom eight clubs from the Premier League in two round-robins.
- ▶ The bottom ten sides who go into a newly-formed Division 2 which takes place between July and September.

The winner of Division 2 goes into play-offs to seek promotion to the restructured Division 1 while the bottom club faces the prospect of relegation from the Northern League. This season there are 18 clubs in the Premier League and 16 in Division 1.

Next year, 10 clubs will contest the Premier League while Divisions 1 and 2 will each have 12 clubs.



Club news

Phoenix to play at Waikato Stadium



Download our World Cup draw

The 2010 FIFA World Cup finals get underway this weekend, with opening games taking place in South Africa.

To help Cambridge supporters follow the action, the club has produced a simple fixture draw with details of when each match will screen on television.

Two of New Zealand's games – against Slovakia and Italy – will be live on TV One while all matches will be on Sky.

To download the schedule of games, go to www.cambridgesoccer.co.nz and go to the news page.

New Zealand's only fully professional football side plans to visit the Waikato for a pre-season match against Brisbane Roar on Saturday July 10.

The match, to be played at Waikato Stadium in Hamilton, will kick off at 2pm. To encourage local players and supporters to attend, the Waikato Bay Of Plenty Federation has advised clubs they can seek to move regular competition games to either Sunday July 11 or to other suitable dates.

If both clubs agree to reschedule the games, the federation will co-operate with the revised fixture list. The federation says it wants to encourage a large crowd to attend the match so other top quality games will come to the Waikato.

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1st Team Report

June 5, 2010

North Force 3 Cambridge 1

Cambridge FC's first team completed their longest trip of the season but came away without any points when they met North Force at Queen's Birthday Weekend.

For the firsts, the visit to Tikipunga, Northland, involved a 640km round trip, taking more than five hours in each direction, to play the team that's vying for the Northern League Division 1 title.

But Cambridge played well, despite the 3-1 loss, and will be pleased with their performance.

Cambridge started well, with a strong wind and driving rain at their backs, but North Force's Keegan Baddeley scored two goals close together halfway through the first spell. Cambridge recovered and pulled back a goal after 30 minutes when striker Gareth Clark diverted a Scott Parsonage corner into the goalmouth, allowing skipper Blair Cooper to blast the ball into the net for his second goal of the season.

The Reds poured on the pressure as half-time approached but were jolted when referee Liam Lawrence awarded

a disputed penalty, ruling Cooper had unfairly tackled a North Force attacker. The spot kick was scored by Daniel Lavelle to give the home side a 3-1 lead at the interval.

Cambridge turned around to play into the wind and rain but fought well to keep the second half scoreless, with goalkeeper Matty Aberhart making a couple of reflex saves and midfielder Josh Powell working tirelessly in the middle.

Cambridge's Player of the Day was forward Clark whose workrate and effort was outstanding.

May 29, 2010

Cambridge 0 Ellerslie 5

Cambridge FC's first team paid a high price for individual errors in their Northern League division one game against competition leaders Ellerslie.

The home side battled well against the unbeaten Auckland side in terms of effort and enthusiasm but the more experienced and skilful visitors ruthlessly punished defensive errors.

Ellerslie went ahead after 20 minutes when referee Cory Mills judged that

Scotty to miss next five games



Cambridge centre back Adam Graham had challenged unfairly when defending a corner and awarded a penalty. Five minutes later, Ellerslie took advantage of a defensive mix-up to score from close in.

With half-time beckoning, Cambridge failed to mark up properly at a corner and Ellerslie went 3-0 up with a free header.

In the second spell, Cambridge lost midfielder Nathan Claridge and goalkeeper Ryan McNamara to injuries. The reshuffled line-up never gave up but Ellerslie twice extended their lead and deservedly won 5-0.

Cambridge's player of the day was midfielder Malcolm Matthews who has overcome injury to win back his place in the side and continues to impress with his high work rate and pace.

Cambridge midfield workhorse Scott Parsonage (above) will miss the first team's next five fixtures while he travels to South Africa to follow the All Whites at the FIFA World Cup.

His absence breaks a significant run for Parsonage (26) as he's the only player to have played every minute of every game this season for the club's first team.

Parsonage, who joined Cambridge in a summer switch from Northern League rivals Matamata Swifts, has become a key part of the first team with his high workrate and leadership qualities.

The squad has been aware of his planned absence and has been developing several midfielders with the help of the Federation 2 side, giving them the chance to step up to first team starts in the centre of the midfield action.