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Press Release

COLLEGE FOOTBALLERS TRIUMPH IN EUROPE

Cambridge Regional College's boys' football team ended the season in style when they picked up a tournament trophy during a tour of Belgium and the Netherlands.

The Under 19s brought home the winners' cup after storming through the opposition at a tournament in Almere in the Netherlands, winning 3 of 4 of their games without conceding a single goal.



The new champions – CRC's triumphant footballers

The team won three games easily – 6-0, 3-0 and 3-0 – and picked up one point in the fourth after it was abandoned when the opposition's coach abused the referee. The clean-sheet win meant they were named Almere champions 2010.

The team didn't have to go far to book their tour, organised by Sports Lecturer Tom Hall – the Wisteria Travel Agency is based in The Park at CRC, and handles many sporting trips for the College, as well as external bookings.

During the four-day trip (21-24 May), the team also took in some tougher competition in the form of FC Bergen.

“They had a great set up which the players enjoyed. We played a friendly and lost 5-0 after playing some good football, but the older experienced side took advantage to win the game,” said CRC Sports Lecturer James McCabe, who accompanied the team, along with fellow instructor Andy Blackmoore.

“It was a very good trip, the lads really enjoyed it and it was a great experience to play against European opposition.”

Goalkeeper Neil O'Sullivan was the Players' Player of the Tournament, while Managers' Player of the Tournament was Ant Fernandez, who scored a hat-trick of goals in the tournament. The rest of the squad were: Ben Tulloch, Andy Trocian, Jack Howard, Craig Gillies (1 goal), Ben Nash, Charlie Stafford (1 goal), Joe White, Ashley Hunt (2 goals), Musa Kamara (2 goals), Gion Martin, Jamie Burch, Gary Smith and Chris Pearce (3 goals).

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Cambridge Regional College is the second largest provider of full-time education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region. The College has around 3,500 full-time and 6,000 part-time students. Students come in from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk.

Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes. The College offers the largest and most comprehensive range of vocational courses in Cambridgeshire, and has one of the largest Train to Gain contracts in the Eastern Region.