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ACADEMY TEAMS SPLIT ON THE ROAD  
U16's win 1-0 and U18s lose 1-0

From Coach Gunn:

The U16s took the field against McLean with the goal of pressing the ball and creating a high tempo game. The first half was a success with McLean's passing efforts breaking down in their own half, and CSA creating chances from good solid defensive work. Ben Burdon had a great finish disallowed after being adjudged to be offside before finishing from a well flighted Roland Minogue through ball. Kyle Parker had a few headed chances that were snubbed before he finally broke the deadlock with a clever deflection from a Roland Minogue shot. The first half finished 1-0 despite Charlotte having several free-kicks and corners that put the McLean keeper to work.

McLean started brightly in the second half and managed to get more of a flow to their possession, and managed to create more of a threat. The Charlotte defense stood firm, and Jaron Bradley dealt with the brace of shots that truly tested him. Charlotte struck back with a Ben Burdon finish from a good passing move, but it wasn't to be his day, with the goal being ruled out for a foul. McLean were always in the game at 1-0 , but Charlotte kept disciplined and composed looking solid as they claimed the road win.

From Coach Butler:

On a dreary morning the U18s started very well against McLean. We went close on several occasions but failed to hit the target and make the goal keeper make a save. Despite the majority of the possession and chances it was McLean that made the break through in the 25<sup>th</sup> minute from a corner kick that was not dealt with by any Charlotte players. As a result the McLean player had a free header from three yards out and took full advantage of the mistake to put them up 1-0. It was much of the same for the rest of the half but we could not find the back of the net. The second half started with bang as Conner Miller forced a very good diving save from the goal keeper after a sharp ball that was pulled back from the end line by Michael Nelli. Preston Shadad also went close from 15 yards out but failed to hit the target and Nick Barnhorst also failed to hit the target from a Robby Beatty cross with a header. We continually looked for the tying goal but it was not to be. It was disappointing that we did not get the result but we played very good soccer throughout the game and the boys should be proud of the way that we continued to go at McLean searching for the equalizer.

The two teams next will play on May 2nd away at CASL.



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