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**Charlotte Soccer Academy Hiring of Phil Hindson
ECNL Boys Director & College Program Coordinator**

CSA is pleased to announce the hiring of Phil Hindson to our full-time staff as the Director of the ECNL Boys Program and College Program Coordinator. Hindson is replacing Patrick Bridges in our ECNL program who will be relocating to Winston Salem this next month and Peter Broadley in our College Recruiting Department, as Peter will be taking a more active role in our CSA North Elite program.

Coach Hindson is one of the most decorated men's coaches in the country in college and youth soccer. He has been a college coach for twenty years, including two stints at Winthrop University, a six-year stay at Clemson University and Head Coach at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. During his college coaching career, Hindson reached the NCAA tournament at each of his college destinations, including a Final Four appearance while at Clemson. Hindson was previously the Boys Director of Coaching at Discoveries Soccer Club and this past year, the College Director and Director of Coaching at Charlotte Independence Soccer Club.

Originally from Perth Scotland, Hindson spent his youth career at both St. Johnstone FC and Arbroath FC. He played at William Carey University where he still holds numerous goal scoring records and was inducted into their Hall of Fame in 2011. During his career, Hindson has coached numerous professional players including former U.S. national team player, Stuart Holden, former Jamaican national player, Dane Richards and current MLS player Joe Bendik.

Hindson holds a United Soccer Coaches Premier Diploma, Scottish C License and is currently working on his UEFA B License through the Scottish Football Association. In 2012, Hindson participated in Special Topics course through the NSCAA where he was able to observe Real Madrid and their coach at the time, Jose Mourinho. Hindson has a Master's Degree in Physical Education from Winthrop University and a Bachelor's Degree in Physical Education from William Carey.

"I'm really excited about bringing Phil on to our full-time coaching staff," states Executive Director, Brad Wylde. "With the departure of Patrick Bridges, and now more of our teams entering the ECNL platform, Elite program Director Steve Magee and the Academy ECNL Director Steve Gummer needed additional support managing the higher-level teams within these programs. We wanted someone who had the experience running, managing and coaching at the highest level. Phil is passionate about soccer and his resume speaks for itself in terms of the success he has had at all levels of the game from youth to college. He has a creative, positive coaching style and is a winner on and off the field. It's obvious by the brand of soccer he implements with his teams that each player flourishes playing under his guidance, which is huge in the overall development of youth players."

"My family and I would like to thank Brad for this fantastic opportunity to join Charlotte Soccer Academy," states Coach Hindson. "CSA are highly respected not only regionally, but nationally. I'm very much looking forward to getting to know the players, families and staff. My hope is to make a positive contribution within the club. I can't wait to get going!"

Coach Hindson will begin his role immediately and can be contacted at phindson@charlottesocceracademy.com.

Charlotte Soccer Academy is the only full-service club in the Charlotte area, offering members opportunities to play and develop at all ages and levels. Visit the Charlotte Soccer Academy website at www.charlottesocceracademy.com to learn more about CSA's competitive, recreational, camp and tournaments programs.

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