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## Lamorinda United 94 Win Schwan Soccer Cup USA

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Front row, from left: Darian Corey, Ally Turner, Sophie Fuller, Jess Tuan, Sophie Leksan, Val Margerum, Natalia Pedder, Megan Turner, Hillary Buchanan; back row: Rachel Hamilton, Coco Pearce, Sam Zarling, Shannon Stabler, Katie Tao, Jess Jara, Michaela Maes, Becca Bostwick, Kaitlin McGee, Nina Gerson (not pictured: Frances Collins, Claire Winter, Mohamed Mohamed) Photo Larry Margerum

The Lamorinda United 94 girls' team won the U16 vElite Flight Schwan's Soccer Cup on Sunday, July 17th in Minneapolis. The team took on the SoCal Blues in the championship and defeated them 3-2 in overtime. Kaitlin McGee (Acalanes) scored the go-ahead goal on a solo breakaway run just two minutes into the first overtime. United held on despite another spirited comeback by the Blues who had tied the match with seconds to play in regulation after being down 2-0. Goalie Sophia Leksan (Campolindo) was player of the match turning away 15-of-17 shots on goal.

The United girls wore pink jerseys in the championship game in support of tournament sponsor Puma's Project Pink Day for breast cancer awareness.

In pool play, United finished first by defeating the nationally ranked Blues 1-0 in the first game, followed by wins over teams from Canada, Sweden and Texas, squeezed around a 0-0 draw against a Wisconsin team. The outcome was a team effort as United 94 recorded four shutouts and scored 15 goals by seven different players.

The win gave the girls the opportunity to travel to the Women's Professional Soccer championship game in late August and train with the professionals, including several players from the USA World Cup team.

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