

Published March 8th, 2017 Lamorinda SC helps spawn new SF Deltas high-level soccer club

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Lamorinda SC has produced some of the country's most stellar women's soccer players, with many of their players making their way into universities with Division 1 teams and some players even making it to the U.S. Women's National Team. In fact, just for the graduating class of 2017, there are already nine girls signed to play at prestigious universities around the country.

Just recently, however, Lamorinda SC has taken its first step to becoming one of the best US youth clubs for cultivating soccer players regardless of gender.

Fresh off of obtaining US Academy Status (Women's Side), Lamorinda SC formed San Francisco's new team, the SF Deltas. The SF Deltas boast a roster of young players from all over the country and the world. Approximately half of the players hail from countries outside of the U.S., places like France, Brazil and Spain.

In fact, there are only two Bay Area natives who have made it onto the team: Midfielder Muhammad Saalih and Goal Keeper Alex Mangels.

Mangels is from Lamorinda and made his way into professional soccer through his time after playing as UC Berkeley's starting keeper and receiving an invitation to attend the Delta's training camp.

Both Mangels and Saalih knew each other well, having spent their youth training in Moraga at Lamorinda SC.



Alex Mangels and Muhammad Saalih Photo provided

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