

TEAM OF THE MONTH

For “Team of the Month” we hope to talk to one of our teams each month. To be featured here, your teams doesn’t necessarily have to win every game it plays. We want to feature those teams, as well as teams that represent the club well with how they play and train, support the community, improve from game to game and practice to practice, support each other and the club. If you know an FFC team that would be good to recognize here, email tleiss@fredericksburgfc.org.

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FFC 09 GIRLS BLACK

This month’s team is the FFC 09 Girls Black coached by Jermaine Keller. The is coming off being crowned champions at the Virginian Elite Soccer Tournament in which they finished 5-0-0 to win the 09 Girls Premier Bronze Division at Morven Park in Lessburg, Va.

Head coach Jermaine Keller said the team’s main goal this Spring season has not necessarily been focused the scoreline, but instead on improving with each practice and game. The Memorial Day weekend result was just a product of that.

“Playing as a team and working together, as well as playing aggressive brought us this outcome,” Keller said. “The ladies had to play five games to win the tournament and even though they started out slow, we were able to win each game and get better each day.”



RESULTS:

- W, 3-1 - vs. Arlington 2009G Silver
- W, 5-3 - vs. Loudoun 09 White
- W, 2-1 - vs. Gunston 09 Red
- W, 1-0 - vs. McLean Youth Soccer 2009 Girls White
- W, 1-0 - FINAL: vs. Reston 09 Blue

The group has shown an outstanding willingness to learn and have fun when the time comes according to Keller, something that has helped them improve quickly since the team first came together.

“Many of these ladies, have just started playing soccer this past Fall and the turnover and improvement has been incredible,” he said. “They worked really hard all season.”

While they do work hard on the field, they've also grown close off the field as well Keller expressed.

"They hang out and have fun," he said. "They love chatting with each other and having fun, especially on overnight trips."

Sometimes they actually work so hard what they are doing actually slips their mind like one entertaining moment Keller recalled from the FFC St. Patrick's Day tournament earlier this Spring.

"This is the second tournament that they won. At our first tournament, the ladies played so hard and had so much fun that they did not realize they actually won the game," he said. "It was a special and fun moment for me as a coach and for them as a team."