



Football Club "UKRAINIAN SASKATOON"

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Established in February 2008 by recent immigrants from Ukraine to Canada, FC "Ukrainian Saskatoon" has been a shining example of Ukrainian teamwork and spirit, immigrant integration into Canadian society, and business and community support of this important project (read more in

Visnyk, Spring 2008). On the back of FC jerseys is a self-explanatory statement in English and Ukrainian: *Ukraine Is My Homeland – Canada Is My Country*.

Administered by the Sports Program of the non-profit independent think tank, the Ukrainian Canadian Institute for Research and Consulting Inc. (UCIRC), the FC plays its games on Sunday afternoons. There are 24 regular players representing various parts of Ukraine from east to west, and who are employed by Saskatoon

businesses. Half of the players are married with recently-arrived spouses and children.

The FC greatly appreciates the support provided by the UCIRC Inc., New Community Credit Union (Bill ZEREBESKY), Burger King (Dan ANTYMNIUK), Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Saskatoon Branch (Slawko KINDRACHUK), and Appreciation Travel (Harold SOKYRKA). Your kind donations allowed the FC to purchase royal blue and gold jerseys and shorts.



Back row: Vadym BULDAKOV, Serhiy STETSENKO, Oleksandr TROHYMCHUK, Stanislav ILMANOV, Andriy KONONETS, Oleksandr SHARAPOV, Ivan DVULIT, Oleksandr KARPENKO, Serhiy KOSTYUK (Manager).

Middle row: Albert KACHKOWSKI (UCC-SB representative), Evhen DEMIAHOV, Evhen NATALUHA, Ihor BULATOV (UCIRC Inc. Sports Director), Cameron MacINTOSH (CBC Reporter), Serhiy CHADAEV, Vadym NIKOLISHEN, Ihor ILKO, Bohdan PETRUK.

Front row: Ruslan SHLIAMA, Slava KONSTANTINOV.

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The Government of Saskatchewan, the City of Saskatoon, the Ukrainian Canadian community, companies where skilled Ukrainian workers are employed, and Saskatchewan businesses and individuals can become part of the FC and be acknowledged at various levels and by various means. The FC calls for financial assistance to cover SaskTel Soccer Centre facility rental costs.

DO YOU SUPPORT FRESH UKRAINIAN BLOOD IN SASKATOON? The easiest way of making your tax deductible contribution is by mailing a cheque to:
UCIRC Inc.

**604-105 Cumberland Ave S
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with a note stating *support for the Ukrainian FC*