

Auckland Manukau United F C (AMUFC)

The AMUFC is a new club representing the Auckland Manukau area in the Football New Zealand National Youth League (NYL). The club has been formed by an interested group that felt that the young players in this area were not getting the representation at a National level that they deserved.

The NYL is a league that operates alongside the senior men's National League in the summer months. Aside from the professional league the Wellington Phoenix play in, this is the highest level of football in New Zealand.

To be eligible to play in the NYL, a player must be no older than 19 on the 1/1/2007.

From a player's perspective, a nomination must come forward from the club the player is registered with. The nominations will be collated, and the players invited to attend a trial. From the trials, a group of players will be selected to attend the AMUFC academy. This will take place during Nov / Dec / January, at which time a squad will be selected to represent AMUFC in the NYL. Our intention is to also run a development squad alongside, so the long term development of players is assured for AMUFC and their contributing clubs. The progression of 12 monthly football for our elite youngsters is paramount if we are to improve overall standards long term.

The Head Coach will be announced shortly, and we are confident, given the quality of applicants that we have received that he will have a strong group of assistants.

A training venue has been confirmed at Manukau Sports Bowl off Te Irirangi Drive Manukau, and we have three Clubs who have confirmed that they wish to host a home game.

The website is under development with the aim to have it in operation by the first week in October.

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