



Corinthians FC of San Antonio

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San Antonio, Texas – Corinthians FC SA have a new coach as Manuel Vidrio signed a contract to join the club for the 2015 NPSL season. After taking 2014 off of managing an elite club, Vidrio began Manuel Vidrio Soccer Club based out of San Antonio where he has transformed the prospects of San Antonio youth academies.

“We train with quality and excellence to impact lives,” said Vidrio about his coaching philosophy. “Soccer is not just a Sport... It's my life and passion.”

Vidrio comes to Corinthians FC SA as the only head coach in NPSL with World Cup experience, both as a player, in 2002 with Mexico before being a part of the coaching team at the 2010 World Cup, again with Mexico where he served as an assistant to Javier Aguirre. Aguirre was responsible for his renaissance in the Mexican team in 2002 and then brought him to the set up as his assistant eight years later.

Corinthians FC of San Antonio owner and president, Pete Veras was delighted. “We are beyond thrilled! Manuel brings his extraordinary resume to San Antonio and he will absolutely help us showcase the talent of San Antonio!”

Spending his playing career at the back, Vidrio managed 37 caps for the Mexican National Team, his last coming against the USA in the infamous 2002 second round match. In the mean time Vidrio was able to claim a runner up medal at the 2001 Copa America. Vidrio is a legend in Mexican soccer, having played for two Liga MX powerhouses, Chivas Guadalajara and Pachuca playing 144 times for Chivas and over 150 for Pachuca, including Pachuca’s first ever national professional title in 1999.

Following the end of his playing career Vidrio went in to coaching, beginning as the manager at Universidad del Futbol in 2007 before moving on to Pachuca’s segunda affiliate a year later. In 2009 Vidrio answered the call from Aguirre to join his set up with the Mexican National Team and was part of the set up in preparation for and at the 2010 FIFA World Cup.





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After the 2010 World Cup Vidrio went to Europe and joined the staff at La Liga club Real Zaragoza for the 2010 season. Vidrio returned to Mexico after a season there and was most recently with Estudiantes Tecos for the 2013 season.

The Manuel Vidrio Soccer Club new soccer specific facility will be used as a training base for Corinthians FC SA and the players of Corinthians FC SA will also serve as part of the coaching staff for the youngsters in the club.

Corinthians FC SA are a semi professional soccer team comprised of the best soccer players in the greater San Antonio area. In January 2014, Corinthians FC SA entered the national stage and joined the National Premier Soccer League (NPSL) and will compete in the NPSL South Central Region in 2015. Follow Corinthians FC SA on twitter (@corinthiansfcsa). Head Coach, Manuel Vidrio runs a youth soccer club, Manuel Vidrio Soccer Club for youth development, assisted by the players of Corinthians FC SA. Follow Manuel Vidrio Soccer Club on twitter (@mvidriosc) or their website (www.mvidriosoccerclub.com) and follow Manuel Vidrio on twitter (@mvidrio99)

