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Corinthians FC of San Antonio Names Jonathon Burklo Head Coach

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS - Corinthians FC SA fills the head coach position just one month after joining the National Premier Soccer League (NPSL) as a 2014 expansion team.

Jonathon Burklo brings a lot of soccer knowledge and over 10 years of coaching experience to the program that both players and staff will benefit from as the team grows.

"I am truly humbled and honored to be the coach of Corinthians FC SA and am looking forward to the challenge of coaching at this level," said Burklo.

Burklo played professional soccer in Norway (Skeid SK), Finland (RoPS and Jippo) and in the United States with the Wilmington Hammerheads and Houston Dynamo Reserves.

"I've had the chance to experience different methodologies, coaching styles, playing styles and philosophies. Through those experiences I have been able to take pieces here and there to shape my own view of the game."

Talking about his own style of coaching, Burklo mentions two crucial elements in how he looks at the game: possession and organization.

"The first is to be the team that dictates the terms and tempo of the game," explained Burklo. "To do that, possession is crucial not just in terms of using possession as a means to create goals, but also in terms of managing the clock and as a defensive tool. If the other team doesn't have the ball, they can't score."

"The second element is how we are going to accomplish that collectively. Organization is key. As a player, the worst thing is to not know or understand your role on the field."

Burklo expands on the goals of the team, "Short term, we want to establish ourselves in the community as a group looking to first and foremost serve. Additionally, we want to put a product on the field that will represent San Antonio well both in terms of results and in how we conduct ourselves. Long term, we want to be the leading club in the NPSL in terms of professionalism, community involvement, communication, and our product on the field."

It is not only the love for the game that brought Burklo to the Corinthians, but also the club's values and the work done off the field for the community.

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CFC SA Names Jonathon Burklo As Head Coach

"It's exciting to be a part of a group that is looking to make an impact beyond the game," stresses Burklo. "Our mission is to Inspire, Train and Transform the lives of our players and our community. This isn't just a slogan. It's real and to see the impact we have already made in such a short time is motivating."

Established in 2002, the NPSL has become one of the biggest leagues in the nation, something that Burklo took in consideration accepting the job.

"I would expect one of our teams to be seriously contending to reach the national Final 4," said Burklo.

"We have a very solid core of guys that have been with us for a number of years, combined with some exciting talent we have identified from the local colleges and our tryouts," explained Burklo.

Burklo currently serves as the Director of Soccer Operations for Northeast Youth Soccer Organization (NEYSO) Liberty SC in San Antonio, Texas.

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