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## Taking the show on the Road

(Oneonta, NY) - Over the weekend of June 10th, three members of Football Club Connecticut represented the club and the league as members of the Connecticut Region I Select State team at a tournament at the National Soccer Hall of Fame in Oneonta, N.Y.

Jonathan St. Louis, Gregg Visi and Fabian Cano had outstanding games as the Connecticut Side recorded a one and one record.

The three players from the club were selected after recent try-outs held on during May for the Men's Open State Select Team in Farmington, CT. The team

was selected and coached by Boris Medvedev. The selections were based on observation of players during recent league competition and the two tryouts held.



**Fabian Cano, & Jonathan St. Louis and Greg Vissi (Not Pictured)**

In first of two games played against the Maine Select Team, Fabian Cano, one of the leading scorers in the Amateur Soccer League of Connecticut, scores 2 goals to lead the Connecticut Select Side to a 3-0 victory in this game.

The second game was a more difficult

challenge for the Select Side as they faced the Massachusetts Select Team. The Connecticut side performed well, but eventually lost 1-0 against last years Region I champions and eventual National Select Team Champions.

For more information on the Connecticut State Soccer Association, visit the organization at [www.ctsoccer.org](http://www.ctsoccer.org). The Connecticut State Soccer Association is a volunteer organization founded in 1914 and incorporated in 1993. As the governing body of amateur soccer in the state of Connecticut, the CSSA mission is to promote and foster soccer in the state.

## Around the World

**PORTO ALEGRE**, Brazil -- Internacional won the Libertadores Cup in dramatic style on Wednesday, clinging on for a 2-2 draw at home to Sao Paulo in the final's second leg to win 4-3 on aggregate. Internacional, 2-1 ahead from the first leg, twice led in the all-Brazilian tie but suffered a nail-biting finale with ten men as Sao Paulo leveled with five minutes to play and nearly

snatched a third. Striker Tinga gave Internacional a 2-1 lead in the 66th minute but was immediately sent off as he was given a second yellow card by World Cup final referee Horacio Elizondo for his goal celebration.

Lenilson leveled in the 85th minute and Internacional goalkeeper Clemer made two outstanding saves to stop the

game going to extra-time as his side won their first Libertadores title. Striker Fernandao had opened the scoring in the first half and Fabao levelled early in the second. Three-times winners Sao Paulo made a lively start as Danilo forced Internacional goalkeeper Clemer to tip over his dipping shot in the seventh minute. From the resulting corner, Uruguayan defender



## Co-Ed Team Interest

We are in the process of trying to field a Co-ed Team for the next outdoor season.

This also presents an opportunity to get playing time for those who seek more. The current league, Stamford Coed Soccer is a very competitive league. The current league season has two divisions. Division I has eleven teams, while Division II has seven teams.

Several of the players from both FC Connecticut and Warrior FC compete with teams in the league. This only seems like a nice transition. If you are interested or know anyone who would like to participate, e-mail one of the clubs' leader with your information. Our e-mail address can be found on our website at [www.fcconnecticut.com](http://www.fcconnecticut.com).

We welcome all interested parties as we form a team for next years league play.

FC Connecticut looks to compete at the highest level in any league we participate in. We look forward to hearing from you and plan to field a team in the summer of 2007.

## Around the World (Cont'd)

Diego Lugano volleyed over from close range after being left unmarked at the far post.

Play was then held up for five minutes as the smoke from dozens of flares brandished by home supporters blew across the pitch. On the half hour, Jorge Wagner floated a free kick into the area and Sao Paulo goalkeeper Rogerio Ceni failed to hold the ball which fell to Fernandao, who fired home. Sao Paulo levelled in the 51st minute from another free kick. Internacional were caught trying to play offside

but left Fabao free to score with a shot between Clemer's legs. Sao Paulo pressed for a second but were caught out in the 66th minute.

Fernandao's header was brilliantly saved by Rogerio Ceni but the Internacional player reacted quickly, picked up the rebound and crossed for Tinga, who stooped to head in. As he celebrated, Tinga lifted up his jersey revealing a T-shirt with the words "Thank you, Jesus" and was dismissed by Elizondo, who sent off Frenchman

Zinedine Zidane in the World Cup final against Italy.

Substitute Lenilson scrambled the equaliser in the 85th minute to set up a nerve-wracking finale for the home crowd. In the 89th minute, Clemer palmed over Alex Dias's header at the far post and he made a similar save shortly afterwards to deny the visitors again.

*Both the [Associated Press](#) and [Reuters](#) contributed to this report.*

*"Inter, a three time Brazilian Champ, but had never won the South American Title"*

## Profile: Coach Juan Diego Gonzales

Coach  
Juan Diego  
Gonzales



**Juan Diego Gonzales** returns for his 2nd year as head coach of Football Club Connecticut men's soccer team in 2006.

A former player who has 16 years of experience at various levels of soccer in South America and the United States. Juan Diego began his coaching career in 13 years ago and hasn't looked back.

In 2005, he took on the challenge of bringing together an upstart team in the Amateur Soccer League of Connecticut. A fixture in local soccer circles, he is also the owner and coach of **Sol De America Soccer Academy** in Norwalk, Connecticut.

His coaching style has been

described as intense and creative. "We try and move the ball a lot on offense, and play tough, hard-nosed defense," says Juan Diego. "Our team plays a fast-paced, yet highly disciplined style of game."

For more information on **Sol De America Soccer Academy**, contact Juan Diego Gonzales at [soldeamericasocceracademy@hotmail.com](mailto:soldeamericasocceracademy@hotmail.com).

# Clubs' First Championship

**Stamford, CT** - On Monday, March 27, 2006, FC Connecticut won the Stamford, Connecticut Division D Men's Recreation League Championship.



**Stamford Rec 2006 Div D League Champions**

It was a hard fought battle, ending up tied at 6 apiece after regulation. Each team tallied a goal in the first overtime period. This led to a dramatic goal with a minute left in the second overtime. The team was able to hold on and secure the league championship in its first season in the league.

After completing the regular season

undefeated and winning the championship, the team was poised to do the same in the playoff.

For more on this story, check out this link ([Division D Championship](#)).

## Did you Know?

⊗ The first international football match was played in **1872** between **Scotland** and **England**.

⊗ The first goal in World Cup history was scored by **Lucien Laurent** of France.

⊗ The World Cup was first televised in **1954**.



*“Football is not just about scoring goals - it’s about winning”*

*Alan Shearer  
UK Footballer*

## Player Profile: Fabian Cano



**Player:** Fabian Cano  
**Position:** Forward, Striker  
**Favorite Team:** Real Madrid  
 Year Playing: Just enough to be on a professional team.  
**Hobbies:** Soccer & Computers

**Quote:** “I would give everything I know fro half of which I ignore”  
 “Keep your friend close, but your enemies closer.”

**The Skinny**  
 Cano is the captain of Football Club Connecticut. He is an integral part of the clubs’ growth and recent successes. He has at one time or the other lead the ASLC in scoring for the past two years. He currently leading the league with 13 goals after 10 games and show no sign of

slowing down.

He lead the Indoor team to a championship in the City of Stamford Rec League D Division in 2005. He was selected for the Men’s Open State Select Team where he scored several goals to lead the team.

He has been submitted for consideration for Sports Illustrated “Faces in the Crowd.”



## Inside the Amateur Soccer League of Connecticut

As we take a quick look around the Connecticut. The club is in the hunt for Amateur Soccer League of one of the playoff spots as the season end Connecticut, we see that Doyle FC is nears. Several teams have shared or been still undefeated and lead the league in second place as we have seen parity in with a 12—0 record. After Doyle, we the middle of the pack including the find a log jam amongst the other Ukrainian Lions, The Wolf Tones, teams vying for playoff spots as the Stamford United Benistar and Sporting season draws to an end. FC.

The most significant move in the standings this year belong to FC The league grew by one this year, as

Warrior FC joined the league. Warrior FC has played well and left it’s mark in the first year of play.

The top scorers are Cano, Cenatiempo, Molina and Taran as of August 14th. The play in the league is competitive and the teams continue to work towards winning the league or the cup trophies.



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- Team sponsorships can be obtained for the small fee starting at \$100.00

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- Put your organization's logo or statement on team jerseys

- Receive team plaque (includes team picture)

- Invited to team end of the season event

- Receive Sponsorship Ad on FC Connecticut Website

- League Honor and award if team wins division and league

- Recognition in FC Connecticut monthly newsletter

- If you would like your company logo on the shirts, please provide us with a camera-ready design (letterhead or business card would be acceptable)

- Show your team spirit to the community and join us by becoming a sports team sponsor!

- For more info., contact Douglas Cassell at 912-2908 or Tom Finn at 249 2494.

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