



Cape United Football Club

KURT ABRAHAMS - The Dream Becomes a Reality

Kurt joined our Youth Development Programme at the age of 15 years arriving at our trials which were held at Wynberg Military Base.

Blessed with a great first touch, excellent technique, quick feet and a sharp football brain Kurt was welcomed into the Cape United (ex FC Fortune and Cape United Soccer School of Excellence) family.

Coming from Lavender Hill and from a difficult background, mum, gran, grandpa and family always backed Kurt 100 percent with his soccer ambitions. Travelling from Lavender Hill to Oude Molen during the week was not always easy with Kurt's safety always a concern.

Nevertheless, Kurt wished to fulfil his dream of playing overseas one day and dedicated himself to the task ahead.

At the end of the school year 2014 with Kurt not finding the academic side of schooling very easy, Colin suggested to mom and gran that he leave school and we concentrate rather on his soccer career.

At first the family quite understandably had many questions and doubts but I had every reason to believe that Kurt would succeed given the correct opportunity.

We took him in July 2015 for trials at Belgium First Division Club STVV situated in Sint - Truiden Belgium. An associate club named Ujpest from Hungary was also on camp so Kurt tested and played for Ujpest playing against STVV.

His talents were clear to see but full recognition re his talents were confirmed when then assistant coach Chris MCLAughlin joined Colin at the Ujpest training ground.

It was decided that Kurt remain for a few months under the control of the STVV coaching staff in order to determine the correct avenue going forward for him.

The decision was recently made for Kurt to remain at STVV in Belgium where he has signed a 3 year contract with a further 2 year option. Kurt has been very well received at the club by all players and staff.

Chris is today the Head Coach whilst Bafana Legend Benni MaCarthy is the assistant coach.

Kurt's ambition is to one day play in the Spanish League with his favourite team being Barca and his dream players Iniesta and Messi.

It has been no easy road for Kurt Abrahams and family but the football world is certainly now at our young man's feet.

Kurt will be home for the Christmas Holidays when he will be enjoying a short break with his family and friends before returning to Belgium in order to start what we believe will be an outstanding career in Professional Soccer.

Our Management team of Greg Herman, George Eastham and Colin Gie along with all his team mates wish him every success in Europe.