



Moving on Up

The South Simcoe United U14 Girls, pictured above, clinched second place in league and secured promotion to the Central Girls Soccer League L3 Premier Division.

Second place finish good enough for promotion for SSU's U14 Girls

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On Wednesday August 31st, in the sweltering heat, the SSU U14 Girls hosted arch rivals, the Bradford Eagles at Banting High School.

In the most highly anticipated game of the season the Eagles were looking for revenge after an opening season drubbing by United in Bradford.

A win by United would clinch 2nd place in the Central Girls Soccer League and ensure promotion to the highest Division in the League. A loss would give Bradford the opportunity to catch United during the final weeks of the season.

With the girls not wanting to let this opportunity slip away they raced out of the gates from the opening whistle. At the three minute mark of the first half Captain Alex Barnett broke down the right wing, beat one defender with an awesome inside move and placed the opening shot of the game in the back of the net.

The Bradford fans were not to be heard from again as United did not look back.



Two minutes later with a free kick from 25 yards out Alexis Borjes blasted a shot into the top left corner of the net that left the goal net quivering.

Up two nothing 5 minutes into the game United added a third before half time when Ashley Clark in a solo effort laced one just under the cross bar. United opened up the second half with a cross from the right wing from Barnett that Jess Short one timed into the back of the net to make it 4-0 and Short closed out the scoring midway through the second half with her second of the game.

Keeper Madison Fitzpatrick earned her 7th shut out of the season with solid defensive play in front of her from Samantha Van Dyk, Julie Steffler, Kelsey Bolam, Andrea Gee and Sierra Gauthier.

With the win United is guaranteed promotion to the L3 Division which is the highest in the Central Girls Soccer League and a First for South Simcoe United FC in its three years existence.

United returns to action next week with two games against the first place team from Woodbridge soccer club. With a little help from Pickering this Thursday the girls are in a position next week to challenge for first place in the Division. Game time next Tuesday is 6:30 pm at Banting High School.