



Fraser Valley Soccer League



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From the Media Desk of the Fraser Valley Soccer League...

A final action packed week in the **Umbro Premier League** saw six matches squeezed in before the winter break. There were plenty of big results while the mid-week make up games provided compelling storylines. Our [UPL Review](#) has all the details on which team made the most of its chances to climb the standings, which teams are in the running for the UPL title come 2020 and which side got a much needed win at the bottom of the table!

Continuing their quest for an immediate return to the UPL, **Division 1** side **Chilliwack FC** went into the break on a high note thanks to four goals from **Mathew Point** to secure a 6-1 win over **TSS FC Rovers II**. The win lifted Chilliwack into first place and they would end up staying there for the duration of the holidays when a goal by **Nico Pietramale** and a clean sheet from **Dimitar Cubaleski** saw **Port Moody Gunners B** emerge as 1-0 winners over **Langley United B**, dropping United to second. The bottom sides, **Langley FC** and **North Surrey Mustangs** clashed in the final week of 2019 and Langley completed the double over the Mustangs with a 3-0 win. North Surrey could see their place in the relegation zone confirmed as early as the first week back in January if they lose and the teams above them pick up points. Other results to close out the year saw four different scorers on target for **Port Moody Piranhas** in their 4-2 defeat of **North Delta SC NEWWAY** while **TWU Spartans B** and **Abbotsford United U21** split the points in a 1-1 draw with **Connor Robillard** scoring for Abby and **Aidan Knott** on target for TWU. **Juba FC** decided to start the break early as they forfeit their match away to **Coastal FC B**.

Crossover matches continued in **Division 2** and there were some big results both on the scoreboard and in the table to close out 2019. Are Match of the Week saw the two first place sides, **Abbotsford United B** and **Langley United Dynamo**, clash and it was Abby's **Arshkirth Gill** who played hero with a brace in a 4-2 win. The victory ensured that Abbotsford would spend the break in first place in 2A and things got even better when second place **Westcoast FC United** dropped points. Westcoast got a pair of goals from **Ryan Cordoni**, but those were cancelled out by a brace from **Htoo Eh Htoo** for **Langley United Dragons U21** in a 3-3 draw. The news was not nearly as festive for Dynamo though, as two goals from **Brad Peetoom** lifted **Abbotsford SA Red Devils** to a 3-1 win over **Westcoast Black Knights** and into first place in 2B at the Dynamo's expense. **Surrey United SC** failed to take advantage of the Dynamo's loss though when they were upset by **PoCo FC Royals** thanks to a goal by **Mark Frouws** which secured a big three points for PoCo to help ease potential fears of being dragged into a relegation battle. Speaking of relegation, the two last place sides also clashed and it was 2A's **Surrey United Elite U21** who emerged as 1-0 winners over **SAFC Hawks**. It was **Zach Scott** who had the crucial goal as Surrey kept their hopes of a dramatic survival at least on life support while simultaneously delivering a hammer blow to SAFC who had a chance to pull level with **WRU Vault** in 2B. WRU remain second bottom after a **Riley Dornian** brace helped **Langley City FC** to a 5-2 win on Sunday evening. Elsewhere, a pair of big score lines checked goals off of some holiday wish lists with **Cory Krueger** and **Del Muench** both bagging braces for **Aldergrove United Lightning** as they beat **TSS FC Rovers III U21** 7-0, while **Brandon Bergh** had a hattrick and **Lee Higgins** added two of his own to power **Mission SC A** to a 10-3 thumping of **Whalley Wakanda FC A** to close out their 2019 schedule.

Christmas came early in **Division 3A** as **Westcoast FC Juventus** put up a 19-0 win over last place **TWU Spartans C** to keep their fading promotion hopes alive. **Michael Imai** scored five times with **Zach Romeo** and **Raja Rosenas** adding hattricks while **Nick Shellborn** and **Spencer Thiessen** settled for braces. Juventus are ten points behind leaders **Westcoast FC Rowdies** who beat **PoCo FC Rockets** 4-2 and saw main challengers **Tri City FC** held to a 1-1 draw by **Langley United Highlanders**, who still harbor their own promotion hopes. Tri City are five points back, but do hold two games in hand. **Langley United Impact** defeated **Mission SC B** 5-0 to remain four points back in second place. In **Division 3B**, it was a brace by **Tanvir Sekhon** that helped **Fraser Valley Blue Devils** to a key 4-1 win over **North Delta SC Titans** which kept them in second place alongside **Ladner FC** who were 3-1 winners over **BCT Westside United**. Those teams both closed the gap at the top to five points as leaders **BCT Punjab FC** were held to a 2-2 draw by clubmates **BCT Royals** thanks to goals from **Amritpal Singh** and **Harkirat Singh**.



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In **Masters 1** leaders Port Moody Rangers flexed their muscles and completed a perfect pre-holiday schedule as they dispatched second place Chilliwack Rapids 6-0 on the back of a hattrick by Jeff Rogers. Port Moody will try to continue their invincible run in the New Year as the division restructures into smaller groups for the final stretch. After being held off the scoresheet a week ago Brian Noga from Bradner Redshirts in **Masters 2** signed off the year in style scoring all four goals for Bradner in their 4-0 defeat of Langley United. That lifts him to 26 goals on the season, the most across the whole of the FVSL at the Winter Break. However, his Redshirts still trail South Surrey FC B at the top of the standings by three points after SSFC won 5-0 over PoCo FC Hawks to close out their winter campaign. **Aldergrove United** gave **South Surrey FC Bullets** an early holiday gift in the **Over 45 Division** as they beat leaders **Coastal FC Alumni** 2-1 thanks to a brace from Golden Boot leader **Sean Ordogh**. SSFC took care of business with a 3-0 win over **Guildford FC Caps** and now sit in first place for the break.

With just three matches left to play for teams in **Division 4A** leaders Westcoast Misfits got exactly what they wanted for the holidays. First, **Tyler Carlson** with four goals and **Brandon Waldon** with a brace powered them to an 8-2 win over **PoCo FC Pacific**. Then, their two main title rivals, **Sts'Ailes Chiefs** and **Port Moody Grizzlies**, drew 0-0 giving the Misfits a three point lead in first place. There are more teams and, therefore, more games to be played in **Division 4B** in 2020, but **WRU Cloverdale FC** closed out the 2019 with a solid 5-0 win over **North Delta SC United SJ** that ensures they will be in the driver's seat for promotion when play resumes in January.

COMING IN 2020

The FVSL Match of the Week returns in 2020 as we continue to highlight interesting matches across the league.

The various cup competitions are on the horizon in the New Year and, this season, excitingly, the **Bradner Cup** returns for competition after poor weather cancelled the tournament last year. There will be three divisions all competing to hoist the silverware. There will be an Open Division containing teams from Division 1 and Division 2, along with a separate bracket for Division 3 and Division 4 teams as well as a Masters Division. The FVSL resumes the weekend of January 3-5, and the Bradner Cup takes centre stage with the following matches:

Week	Div.	Home	Score	Away	R	Y	Field	Day/Time
#16	Bradner Mstrs 4	PMO Rangers FC	-	South Surrey FC B			Trasolini TURF	Fri 8pm
#16	Bradner Open 3	Surrey Utd Elite U21	-	PMO Piranhas FC			Cloverdale Ath Park 5	Sat Noon
#16	Bradner 3/4- 2	Ladner FC	-	PMO Rangers U21			Dugal Morrison TURF	Sat 6pm
#16	Bradner Open 1	Langley Utd Dragons U21	-	Poco FC Royals			Willoughby TURF 1	Sun 6pm
#16	Bradner Open 2	North Delta SC NEWWAY	-	Abbotsford SA Red Devils			John Oliver Park	Sun 2pm
#16	Bradner Mstrs 1	Coastal FC Alumni	-	Guildford FC Pacific Utd			South Surrey Ath Park 6	Sun 12 Noon
#16	Bradner Mstrs 3	Surrey United SC B	-	North Delta SC Rangers B			Cloverdale Park 4	Sun Noon
#16	Bradner 3/4 - 1	Offside FC	-	Westcoast FC Champagne			Newton TURF 3	Sun 8pm
#16	Bradner 3/4 - 3	Abbotsford Phoenix FC	-	Westcoast FC Rowdies			Abbotsford Sec TURF	Sun 4pm
#16	Bradner 3/4 - 4	North Delta SC Royals	-	BCT Westside United			Pinewood Park	Sun 2pm

There is also the annual All-Star Games between the Fraser Valley Soccer League and the Vancouver Island Soccer League to look forward to the next week on Saturday January 11. The best players from the Umbro Premier League as well as the top Masters players will travel to Vancouver Island to try and defend the titles that the FVSL won last year. **Enjoy the holiday break and we will see you in 2020!**

Got a player whose performance you think deserves a mention? Was your team part of an epic game worth highlighting? Do you have some cool pictures of your team in action?

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