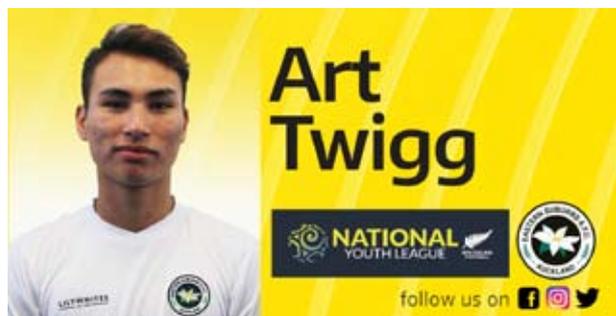


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Art Twigg

Position:

Striker, Attacking Midfield

Personal History:

Born in Thailand to a Thai mother and Kiwi father, Art holds dual nationality. He is an accomplished sportsman, and was a recognised youth rugby player in SouthEast Asia, having won tournament MVP at the South-East Asian Rugby Festival in 2007.

He began playing Football at age 6, and at age 8 joined a local academy team. Art spent two years in the US where he played for the State Championship

winning Birmingham United Club in Alabama. He also plays Futsal, where he has achieved 3 national championships at both youth and senior levels.

As well as his playing commitments, Art coaches teams at two independent schools. He also occasionally works with Ellerslie in a coaching and refereeing role.

Club History:

Art Twigg made 11 appearances for the Ellerslie AFC Senior Reserves during the first half of 2016 before being promoted to the 1st team. Despite only playing half a season for the reserves, he was the team's top scorer.

Art was part of the Ellerslie under 17 team which won the ACFC U17 National tournament in 2014, playing alongside current NZ All Whites, in a season he was awarded Most Improved Player.

School History:

Art was striker for the AGS 1st XI for two years and 2nd XI for one year, during which time he accumulated one league championship, 2 knockout cup championships, 2 MVP awards and one golden boot award.



Dylan Morris

As I kid I spent 7 years in Argentina and 2 years in Ecuador therefore it was inevitable that football was

going to have an influence on my life. Since coming back to New Zealand at the age of 13, I have done everything in my power to progress, including spending a year at Ole Football Academy in Wellington and 2 years and Saint Kentigern College. Last year I was a non traveling reserve to go to U17 World Cup in Chile, and as a progression from that I have been involved with training games for the NZ U20 wider squad. I look forward to working with Eastern Suburbs both youth team and first team.

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Jared Sinkinson

I was first introduced to the sport that to this day has dominated my life at the age of 4. I was asked if I'd be interested in going to a training with my older brother's football team in the small school of Vogeltown, New Plymouth. From this day onwards my passion and desire for the game has only continued to grow as my dream of someday playing pro has turned into a mixture of hard work and determination, trying to make it reality. Moving up to Auckland gave me a huge shock when I realised the difference in quality

from New Plymouth. The technical ability, speed and strength was at a different level, far better than my level of play. My hunger to improve and be better than my opposition lead me to spending hours and hours in the back yard kicking the ball against a crate with a piece of plywood nailed on as a goal. Being below the level of the other kids my age I knew I had to change something, or nothing would change. With years passing by and different changes in clubs I have achieved various awards such as two national titles at 9th and 15th grade, Weir Rose Bowl winner, Kashiwa Reysol Cup winner, MUFC pacific finals runner up, secondary school's national runner up and Knockout Cup champion. I am currently playing for the Saint Kentigern 1st XI and have landed here at Eastern Suburbs where I continue to strive to improve my football ability every day. While making it to where I am today has been rewarding, I am determined to keep rising through the ranks with a lot of hard work ahead of me.



Lucas Imrie

I was a bit of a late bloomer in football. I started when I was young but was never sure if it was the sport for me. When it came to Sacred heart I was stuck between choosing football and rugby, having played both codes at Remuera Intermediate. I was lucky

enough to make the sports institute at sacred heart, which started my commitment to football. I enjoyed 4 great years of Danny Hay's First XI football at Sacred Heart as we did pretty well winning multiple Auckland and national titles over the years. I was also stoked to be part of Neil Emblems Green and White Army which I like to call Western Springs AFC, which was a great learning experience for me as a player. I have represented NZ at U17 and U20 level and feel very privileged to have done so. I am a striker #9 and love a bit of hold up play and a long ball in behind. I am looking forward to a great season with #ESAFc.