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Four Reading United players selected to All-Eastern Conference Team *Bennett, Miller, Molloy & Strutz earn league honors following superb season*

READING, PA (July 31, 2018) – The Premier Development League announced the All-Eastern Conference team this morning. Aaron Molloy, Khori Bennett, Bennet Strutz and Kamal Miller were the Reading United players that earned all-conference honors. The four selections to the All-Eastern Conference team set a new high for the club. Reading's previous high came in 2012 when three United players, Deshorn Brown, Greg Cochrane and Stephen Okai, were chosen.

Strutz, the Cumberland University talent, helped guide Reading United AC to an undefeated regular season from the back, allowing only seven goals in 11 appearances (990 minutes) this year. He posted an amazing 0.64 goals-against average while making 34 saves at an 82.9 percent rate.

Miller, who competes at Syracuse University and is the No. 21 PDL Top Prospect, was as instrumental as Strutz in defense for Reading. He took part in nine regular season matches for his unbeaten club (765 minutes), five of which resulted in shutouts.

While scoring a team-leading six goals in nine matches (599 minutes), Bennett was the key goal-scorer for Reading this season. He has been stellar in Reading's postseason run to the PDL Championship Game, registering four goals in that span. Additionally, the standout Jamaican forward became Reading's all-time goals leader this season, passing Aaron Wheeler's 17 career goal mark. Bennett, who now has 18 career goals for Reading United, will transfer to Radford University this fall.

Molloy, the PDL's Top Prospect and 2017 Young Player of the Year, earned that placement in 2018, recording four goals and a team-leading four assists across 13 appearances (1,037 minutes). His play as a holding midfielder dictated the vast majority of Reading's matches, and will likely do so for Penn State this fall. This is Molloy's second straight appearance on the All-Eastern Conference team after earning the nod in 2017.

Head Coach Alan McCann praised all four of the individuals for their accomplishments. "The individual awards are always nice. These awards only ever come about after the foundation of a team is there. Without the team coming together and performing none of it is possible. Very happy for the boys and it's no coincidence that the four of them have played through our spine which has helped us throughout the whole summer."

ABOUT READING UNITED AC

Reading United A.C. is the Greater Reading area's premier minor league soccer team. Led by the ownership group of Berks Professional Sports, Inc. the club was founded in 1995 as the Reading Rage. As the club entered its 15th season a name, logo, and color change was made to better feature the ties to the local and state community as well as the soccer goals of the team and its partners. Now in its twenty-third season, Reading United's commitment to professional player development has produced over fifty players currently on the rosters of professional clubs throughout the United States, Europe and Latin America. Reading United is the official Premier Development League affiliate of Major League Soccer's Philadelphia Union. For more information about Reading United AC, visit www.readingunitedac.com.



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