

## **A winning drive with Uniroyal**

A fun and exciting event took place on the Guilford United Futbol Club (GUFC) home fields this past weekend! Uniroyal® Tire donated 150 soccer balls to the GUFC at Proehlfic Park on Saturday, Oct. 3. "The Uniroyal soccer ball giveaway was an outstanding event on the fields during the season opener," said Chad Heinicke, GUFC Director of Youth Development.

The Uniroyal Soccer Program is currently celebrating its 10-year anniversary. Reaching across the U.S. and Canada, the soccer program has helped thousands of soccer families by donating funds and equipment to youth soccer communities. Working together with its local tire dealer stores, Uniroyal has donated nearly \$12 million in funds and equipment, including almost one million soccer balls, to more than 3,000 youth soccer leagues.

Since many leagues supported by the Uniroyal Soccer Program are not-for-profit, they are already operating solely on volunteer time and money. Uniroyal Tire donates soccer balls because organizations like GUFC and Proehlfic Park lie at the heart of the Uniroyal Soccer Program's distinctive grassroots initiative. The Uniroyal Soccer Program wanted to give the children the equipment they need to have a successful soccer season.

*"Uniroyal Tire is honored and privileged to be able to give back to organizations such as the GUFC. It's such a joy to see the kids' smiles and excitement when they are playing with their new soccer balls!"*

- Angi Wesson, Public Relations Representative for Uniroyal Tire

*"It was only fitting after the partnership with GUFC and Proehlfic Park to have a program as great as the Uniroyal Soccer Program donate equipment to our kids! We are very thankful!"*

- Courtney Mills, GUFC Mom and Coach

*"This could not be better timing. Our soccer ball would not hold air and now we have a brand new soccer ball for the fall season."*

- GUFC Mom

*"What an amazing opportunity for my team. I am excited because half of my players do not own a soccer ball and now all of them will have one."*

- GUFC Coach

Additionally at the end of the year, a lucky grand prize winner will be selected from the 365 daily winners to win Uniroyal Tire's year-end Soccer Season Survival grand prize. This prize includes the top ten things a family needs to survive a soccer season: a camera/video recorder, a GPS system, a \$500 gas card, a set of Uniroyal tires, a car detailing, car service for the season, a cooler/chair package, a \$250 parent's night out gift card, a \$250 snack/food gift card and a \$500 sporting goods gift card. Any child (13 or older) or their parent/guardian can go to [www.UniroyalTires.com/sweeps](http://www.UniroyalTires.com/sweeps) and enter the sweepstakes through December 31, 2009. Detailed sweepstakes information can be found on the website.



*The team is the U-6 Fireballs. From left to right in both pictures are:*

*Ricky Proehl  
Victoria  
Luke  
Carson  
Savannah  
Angi Wesson (Uniroyal)  
Tanner  
Annabelle  
Hannah  
Miles  
Chad (GUFC)*