

Hi all,

I have been asked to write a report on my trip to England so here goes hope it's not too boring.

At 8 in the morning, 4th of October I boarded a plane to Melbourne followed on by a plane to Sydney where we waited in the airport for 5 to 6 hours.

Eventually we got on the plane to England which had a fuel stop in Abu Dhabi it took 14 long and boring hours to get to Abu Dhabi and from there it was a 7 hour flight to London which was also very boring.

We were met in London and had a 3 hour car trip to Derby. As soon as we arrived at Derby we didn't have any time to rest, we headed straight out the door and went to see Aston Villa V Manchester City at Villa Park. By the end of the game nearly everybody was asleep but we kept each other awake, the game ended in a one all draw.

For the next 2 weeks we played games in front of several scouts from different clubs. We didn't win any games but it was the first time the boys had played

together. We didn't even know one another, and we were playing under 18 academy youth teams.

For the second 2 weeks everyone one else had gone home apart from Joel Stone from Ulverstone and myself, we had been asked to stay another 2 weeks by the scouts. We went and had training with Chesterfield and Macclesfield but we ditched Macclesfield after 2 days because it was too far to travel. Chesterfield are a lot better team and they showed more interest in us than Macclesfield did so for the last 2 weeks every morning in 3 degrees we had training with their under 18 youth team. It was hard but all the boys made it a fun time, training went for 2 and a half hours.

There were also other teams that showed interest but we didn't go to

them as time was limited. Four clubs have asked for us to return in March/April of this year to try out as this is the time for scholarships to be given.

We didn't only do soccer we went shopping nearly every day and everything was pretty cheap which was awesome for us we bought a lot of soccer gear and presents.

We also got to go to Alton Towers Theme Park which is the biggest theme park in the UK; we spent a whole day there and still didn't get around the whole park.

One of the highlights of the trip was going to see my favourite club play, Manchester United, the game was awesome the best game that we saw easily we also got to tour there stadium and touch the players tops which was awesome, man united won the game 2 nil.

I hope that is good enough.

