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From left, front row: Olivia Grillo, Teveen Aghababian, Eliza Bates, Georgia Karas, Molly Midthun, Alyssa Runckel; back row: coach Tony Neto, Hanako Helton, Bridgette Schafer, Maggie Saracevic, Gabby Ortale, Devon Ortman, Nicole Van Stralen, Katherine Buckley; not pictured: Olivia Marquez. Photo provided The California Magic U12 girls were crowned champions Dec. 9 in the prestigious Juventus Copa d' Oro tournament. Magic went undefeated over the two-day event, outscoring their opponents 9-1.

The championship game was intense from start to finish. Magic won in penalty kicks, providing great drama for the family and friends who came to watch.

At tournament's end, coach Tony Neto remarked: "This is our first year together as a team and I am very proud of the incredible skills the girls have developed. Our kids love playing soccer and it is wonderful to watch that passion on the field."

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