Colo Colo Soccer Club Trophy

Owned by the Kindley family since 1989

This trophy was awarded to my grandad, Pedro Kindley, in recognition of his contribution to the success of the Colo Colo Soccer Club.

My grandfather, along with five of his friends, started the club in 1972, two years after he brought his family to Australia from Chile. Their aim was to bring together the then small Chilean community in Sydney. The club premises was first based in Newtown. It moved to Concord in the late 70’s where the club was at it’s most popular and grew exponentially. Later it was relocated to Cabramatta then to it’s current home in Fairfield.

During his time with the club, he help begin a few annual traditions within the community. One of them being the recognition of the Chilean Independence Day, September 18. The other is the Annual Colo Colo Christmas Picnic, held every year (that I remember) at the Ireland’s Bridge Sporting Field near Warwick Farm.

Curator’s Note: This trophy is one of the many awards Pedro Kindley had received over the years in recognition of his contributions to the Colo Colo Soccer Club. It represents what this one man meant to a burgeoning migrant community. The AIGEE Museum feels honoured to be entrusted with a much treasured family heirloom.