

HILLWOOD FOOTNOTES NEWSLETTER

January 2013



From the desk of the Hillwood Club President-

Believe it or not, spring soccer is just around the corner! I want to remind families that SYSA has complete control of this league and it is offered to all players of all ages in all REC Clubs. Teams are formed at the Association level by individual coaches who are allowed to ask players from all REC teams to join them to form new teams of players who show interest and are available to play.

A spring soccer team does not in any way reflect your fall season team's roster, those rosters are assigned by our Club registrars at each age level. Once the spring season is over, that roster is no longer in affect. For more information on Spring SYSA soccer, check out www.sysa.org. Questions should be sent directly to SYSA about this spring soccer option.

Select players interested in playing in a spring league should talk to their respective coaches or regional directors about joining the NPSL development spring league. Information about the league can be found here: www.northpugetsoundleague.org

Just a reminder for NEW coaches/managers about the fall season, information for incoming U6 teams and formalization of a new "training" process for coaches and managers will be forthcoming. In the best interest of our youth players, the club now recommends that new volunteers take the time to partake in one of the following training options:

- 1) Online training course
- 2) Attend a U6 certificate course provided by WA State Youth Soccer Assoc.
- 3) Attend one of our pre-season "new" coach's clinics

More information will be coming soon concerning the online course and "new" coach clinics. If you are interested in taking a U6 training course with WSYSA, check out this website: www.wsysa.com. There are fees associated with the WSYSA program and the new "online" course, but on proof of completion, the club will gladly refund you. Stay tuned for more information.

Remember, Hillwood soccer is just for kicks!

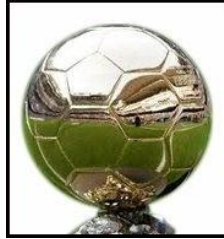
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DJ-Y'.

D.J. Yasui, President, Hillwood Soccer Club
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Player's Pitch

(Parents and players)

Awards Ceremony



Join us for one last hurrah for fall soccer 2012. The Awards Ceremony will take place on Tuesday, February 5th and last about an hour. Gather with your teammates one more time to encourage and cheer on our Hillwood players, teams, coaches and volunteers.

Congratulations to the following teams for placing 1st or 2nd in their 2012 division:

BU11 Dribblers - Runner Up

BU13 Tigers - First Place

BU15 Lightning Bolts - First Place

GU11 Bobcats - Runner Up

GU11 Wild Dragons - Runner Up

GU12 Huskies - First Place

GU12 Strikers - First Place

GU14 Wildcats - Runner Up

GU17-19 Thunder - Runner Up

Nominate Coach/Volunteer of the Year

Take a few minutes to consider your coaches and those who volunteered this year. Let them know you appreciate all they've done this season by nominating them for an award. The deadline for nominations is Jan. 26th. Winners will be announced at the February Awards Ceremony.

To nominate a coach or volunteer of the year, submit the following information:

1. Your name and team
2. Nominee's name and team
3. Brief summary outlining the reasons this person deserves the award

There are several ways to vote:

- Email Hillwoodsoccerclub@HillwoodSoccer.com
- Mail a letter to Hillwood Soccer Club PO Box 60226, Shoreline, WA., 98160
- Contact a board member
- Leave a message at 206-542-3353

State Tournament

Two of our Hillwood teams took home first place in the State Tournament. Congratulations ***BU-13 Strikers and GU-12 Tigers!*** You do us proud!

Spring Soccer

It seems like winter has barely begun and already it's time to think about spring soccer. The goal of the spring season is to enjoy extra play time at a more leisurely pace than that of the fall season. January 15th SYSA opens registration for teams. If you'd like to participate but don't have a team to play on, join a friend, classmate or old team mate on their team. If that doesn't work, register directly with SYSA (after the teams have registered) at the link below. Keep in mind, if you choose to register as an individual player, practices may not be in your neighborhood as players can only be placed on teams with available spots, and players for teams are gathered from all the local clubs, not just Hillwood. Fall rosters will not be affected by spring placements. If you did not play last September, register with SYSA as a new player.

[SYSA Spring Soccer](#)

Spring Camp



Fill up your spring break with more soccer fun at spring soccer camp. UK International is conducting sessions April 23rd-27th at the Shoreline A/B fields from 9 AM – 3:30 PM. Keep in shape, stay active and come play ball! For more information contact Annalise Nye nveraak@comcast.net or Steward Boniface 1 (888) UK SOCCA steward.boniface@uksocca.com, uksocca.com.

Register at following link: uksocca.com/online

Raffle Results



The raffle sponsored by Chuck Olson and Chevy was a great success this year. A smaller number of teams participated this time, but with great enthusiasm! The U-11G Bobcats were our winner, selling the most tickets. They were present at Chuck Olson with their coach and the president of Hillwood, D.J. Yasui, to be photographed for the presentation of the check. We want to thank all the coaches, managers, parents and volunteers for their support this year! Because of you, we are a GREAT soccer club!

Dru Brangwin

Dick and Sue Brangwin would like to thank the Hillwood community for your support and concern during a difficult time. In November their daughter Dru unexpectedly passed away from a pancreatic infection. Many of you had the privilege of knowing her and sharing in her life. Dru played for Hillwood Soccer Club from the ages of five to thirteen then went on to play select soccer. She coached a girls' team for four years and refereed for the Club for three. She will be deeply missed. Although she was only 26 years old, she lived each moment to the fullest, loving and caring for so many around her. We welcome your condolences but ask that questions be limited, especially in public settings. Thank you for your understanding. The following link tells more about her life: [Dru Brangwin](#)

Shout Outs



Congratulations to **Lynn Huston** and **Rob McCuiston** for their nomination of volunteers of the month (October) by SYSA's Board of Commissioners. Thank you for your commitment and hard work!

Your Turn

Has your team received an award or won a tournament? Do you have an interesting story, or announcement to share with us? Email news and announcements to Carolyn at: stoebe2newsletter@gmail.com

Would you like to see your team's picture on the website? Email it to Ron Norton, Hillwood Webmaster at: Ron@A-Tech.info

Borrowed or Used Equipment

If you have equipment, soccer literature, uniforms, nets, etc. no longer in use, please return or donate them to Hillwood Soccer Club. Drop items off at 20136 23rd PI NW or at the next coach/manager meeting.

Information:

Hillwood website - www.hillwoodsoccer.com

Maps to fields - www.sysa.org

Coach and player clinics - www.sysa.org

Tournaments - <http://www.wsysa.com/>

Referee clinics - <http://www.wasrc.org/>

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