

HILLWOOD FOOTNOTES NEWSLETTER

January 2014



From the desk of the Hillwood Club President,

Happy New Year!!!

With the season officially over, first off I would like to thank all of the Micro teams and their families, who had to play in the Inter Shoreline-City league this year; having teamed up again with our sister Club Shorelake from the eastern side of Shoreline, I believe it was again a growing and positive experience for all. As I have mentioned, in the past these age groups would continue to play a house league within the Hillwood Club until U10. With shortages in teams within both Clubs we have decided to work jointly within the City of Shoreline to develop a more positive soccer experience for these age groups. And I believe we have started to build long lasting cross-Club friendships with our fellow Shoreline soccer families.

U8 families have recently been sent a quick survey about our Hillwood soccer academy style training sessions we conducted using a professional training staff. We have had some feedback on the program, but if families missed the Club sent email, please let us hear of your stories and thoughts of the program.

I was also reminded at a recent Board meeting that sometimes coaches do and cover a lot more than some families might realize with regards to attending and running practices. Along with spending the time continuing their soccer education, and in some cases

covering some team costs. Please, the next time you have the chance, thank them!!

Happy New Year to you all, and remember, Hillwood soccer is just for kicks!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "D.J. Yasui". The signature is stylized and cursive.

D.J. Yasui, President, Hillwood Soccer Club
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Players' Pitch

(Parents and players)

Award Ceremony

Unfortunately there will be no Award Ceremony this year. Only 2 Hillwood teams are receiving patches from SYSA.

We would like to congratulate the GU14 Silver Strikers and the BU14 Tigers they both came in 2nd in their divisions. They will receive patches from SYSA.

There will still be an Award to honor our Girls/Boys Coach and Volunteer of the year. Send in your nominations. Awards will be presented at the Registration meeting in May.

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 March 31st. Winners will be announced at the May Registration Meeting.

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 nominate:

- 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

Birth Certificates



We are still missing birth certificates from some of our registered players. For those of you who don't have one on file, mail a copy to Hillwood PO Box 60226, Shoreline, WA, 98160. If for some reason, your personal copy is missing, one can be ordered through the Department of Public Health at the link below.

Kingcounty.gov

Raffle

"Every year Hillwood Soccer Club partners with Chuck Olson Chevy, here in Shoreline, for their promotion of youth soccer. It is a great way to build awareness for the soccer club, receive donations for our scholarship program and to show community togetherness. The pictures below are from the check presentation from Chuck Olson and Chevy Corporation. Hillwood Soccer Club would like to thank Chuck Olson Chevy in Shoreline and Chevy Corporation for their continued support of youth soccer. And their support of Hillwood Soccer Club!

The Micro team that raised the most money is the GU-8 Fireflies, Coach Wayne Saito and Asst. Coach Elizabeth Bentley. They received an Ice Cream Party and T-shirts. The Mod team that raised the most money is the GU-14 Silver Strikers, Coach Paul Payton and Asst. Coach Wayne Saito. They received a Pizza Party and T-shirts. Congratulations to both teams for their outstanding work!"



GU-8 Fireflies



GU14 Silver Strikers

Spring Camp

Fill up your spring break with more soccer fun at spring soccer camp. UK International is conducting sessions during Shoreline Spring Break at the Shoreline Center fields (next to the pool) April 21st – 25th. You can choose 9-12 (Ages 4-14) or 9-3 (ages 7 and up).

Visit www.uksocca.com for more details and registration.

Keep in shape, stay active and come play ball!

Volunteer Opportunities



Play ball with us! Whether you have just a few hours to volunteer or can make more of a commitment, there is a place for you in the Hillwood soccer community. If you aren't sure where you fit, contact us for additional opportunities.

Newsletter Editor

Hillwood is looking for a volunteer to edit the Hillwood Footnotes Newsletter. This is an online publication that goes out five times a year. Here is a great opportunity to gain writing experience in a supportive atmosphere!

Webmaster

Maintain and update our website with some reformatting and redesign. The time commitment varies but averages about an hour a week. Training is available.

Field Lining and Coordinator

Create a schedule for U10 and above teams to line fields and set up nets during the soccer season.

Coaches' Corner

Spring Soccer

January 21 -- Spring Soccer team registration opens. All registration is online at www.sysa.org

March 23 -- Spring Soccer games begin.

From your Coaches Rep. Wayne

Coaches, you made it through the season. Did you have a good time with it? I'm pretty sure your players had fun playing. It is gratifying to watch players improve over the course of a season. Celebrating your player's improvements with them and with their family members helps them to love the game. It keeps them coming back. When a player can show that they can do something with a soccer ball they will know that they are soccer players! Thank you for helping that along.

Hillwood Soccer Club volunteers did a great job keeping the fields nicely lined and prepared for our players. The goals were maintained and in many cases, we didn't even notice that the goals had to be moved into place before the game on Saturday and then put back into a different spot at the end of the day! They often need to be moved and more volunteers could be utilized. So in case someone in your spheres wants to know from you how to help, have them contact us. If not, recruit them to help out as assistant coaches, managers etc... Remember coaches, we want you coaching.

In the fall we brought on the "pod" concept to the U8 players; a once a week practice to supplement your current practice plan. We liked what we saw and are exploring ways of making it available to other age groups. We are re-tooling for the upcoming season using feedback the Club received.

The U10 foot skills clinic was a continued success. Other opportunities that came our way included free goalkeeper coaching, team coaching and speed, agility and quickness information. Online training and coaching license courses continue to be available, some for fee some for free. Fees have often been reimbursable, through the Club on proof of successful completion.

Well done coaches! Email me with questions, thoughts, comments to help Hillwood Soccer Club help our players.

Wayne

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Shout Outs



Congratulations

BU14 Tigers - Coach Franco Sanagustin and Manager Julie Lindberg, Runner up in their division.

GU14 Silver Strikers - Coach Paul Payton, Assist. Coach Wayne Saito and Manager Laura Payton, Runner up in their division.

City Tournament Congratulations

Boys U14 Tigers Coached by Franco Sanagustin and Managed by Julie Lindberg came in 2nd place in City Tournament.

Thank You Board Members, Coaches and Managers

The Club and our soccer community are very lucky to have such a great group of individuals who work for a common goal and give back tirelessly. I salute you all for your tireless efforts for the kids.

Your Turn

Do you have an interesting story, or announcement to share with us? Email news, announcements, pictures or poems to Sue at sbrangwin@gmail.com

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

Information:

Hillwood website - www.hillwoodsoccer.com

Maps to fields - www.sysa.org

Coach and player clinics - www.sysa.org

Tournaments – <http://www.washingtonyouthsoccer.org/>

Referee clinics - <http://www.washingtonyouthsoccer.org/resources/referees/>

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For the "beautiful game"

