

March 2011 Hillwood Footnotes Newsletter

FM: The desk of the President of the Hillwood Soccer Club

RE: Spring is in the air!! I hope...

Dear Hillwood Families,

As the SYSA Spring soccer season gets under way soon, I would like to remind folks that this program is something to consider joining, in the future for continued development of youth players. The kids get extra touches on the ball, half fields, play with kids from other teams than their Fall roster and well they get the chance to play a lot of games/friendlies under sun....I hope...

While I know in past Spring seasons the competition has been high with some teams taking "winning" a bit too seriously. My hope is the general understanding of what the Spring soccer program is supposed to be is better understood. The program is for building a solid background for kids to further develop their soccer skills, in "real" time game-like situations. Player development is key for the future of the game; as kids get older the interest in the game declines due to a general lack of their development of soccer basics. In short kids need a lot of touches on the ball. And the added benefit for the Spring season allows coaches, to continue to develop a coaching style that works for the betterment of all kinds of kids. The more time spent on the field coaching is just as important as kids needing to practice with a ball at their feet.

I wish everyone partaking in the SYSA Spring season all the success and enjoyment this game can bring to our soccer youth, please be mindful to represent our Club on and off the field with positive player support and the proper sportsmanship.

Again this year we are fortunate to have two different groups running Summer soccer camps for us. UK International Soccer is back with their full and half day camps, they bring a wonderful twist and European flavor in teaching kids, the beautiful game. Check out: www.uksocca.com for more details and dates.

This year we are again jointly combining with our sister Club Shorelake, to bring another group from across the pond, UK Elite Soccer. UK Elite is offering more of a specialized training session series, REC coaches are encouraged to attend the evening sessions to have a chance to see an actual practice plan in action, something you can then try yourself this Fall! For more info call: 206-455-1855 or to sign up visit: www.ukelite.com

I also would like to remind families about our program, that they can donate their gently used soccer equipment to the Club. Cleats, shin-guards, balls, jerseys, what have you that is soccer related, even coaching books, videos, DVD's or teaching aids, will be collected at all Coach's and Manager's meetings. The collected clean and gently used items will be used for those Hillwood families who are in need of assistance, equipment-wise. To

donate any of the above items, you may give them to your team manager or coach, or bring them by to one of our next Coach's/Manager's meetings in the near future. Thanks in advance!

On behalf of the 1300 families of the Hillwood Soccer Club, we all thank you for your continued help and player support in keeping this successful program running since 1968.

Respectfully,

D.J. Yasui

President

Hillwood Soccer Club

Award Ceremony Update:

Congratulations to the 2010 Award recipients:

Girls Coach of the year:

Jim Blakeway coach of the Girls U16 Thunder

Boys Coach of the year:

Tom Berquist coach of the Boys U13 Lightning Bolts

Special Coach dedication award:

Ken Boyd coach of the Girls U18 Griffins

Volunteer of the year:

Jamie Holter Hillwood U9 Referee assignor and mentor

Special volunteer dedication award:

Pete Prekeges Long time Board member, coach and volunteer

As always it was a difficult decision, the Board received many nominations. Hillwood is fortunate to have so many deserving coaches and volunteers representing the club. We would like to recognize the following nominees:

Kim Huntamer ~ Hillwood Coaches Rep, Coach of BU10 Spiders and GU13 Kangaroos

John Lapham ~ Coach of GU14 Firecrackers

Steve Perry ~ Coach of GU15 June Bugs

Bill Wilkins ~ Hillwood Coaching Director, Coach of BU10 Spiders

D.J. Yasui ~ Hillwood President, Coach of the GU8 Wombats

Thank you:

To Evan owner of Spiros Pizza for his continued support of Hillwood Soccer and generous gift certificate donation to the Award Ceremony drawing.

To everyone that sent in Coach and Volunteer of the year nominations.

Congratulations:

Doug Brindle SYSA Girls Coach of the year. Doug coaches the Girls U17 Cougars team.

Jamie Holter SYSA Volunteer of the month. Jamie is Hillwood U9 Referee assignor.

Spring League Soccer:

If you are a player looking for a spring team to play on, [click here](#).

Please keep in mind that PLAYING ON A SPRING TEAM DOES NOT AFFECT

YOUR ASSIGNMENT BY YOUR CLUB TO YOUR FALL TEAM.

Fall 2011 Soccer Registration

May 11 ~ Manager Meeting Shoreline Center 7:30pm

May 12 ~ Registration opens for returning players

May 25 ~ Team registration forms due

June 15 ~ Coaches Meeting - preliminary rosters. Shoreline Center 7:30pm

1st Annual Laura Szendrei 5 & 10K Walk Run & Roll:

In the news, we see police officers and firefighters come together across county lines, state lines, and country borders to support a loss in their fraternal community. I believe that soccer associations and their players should be no different.

My dear friend, Kelly Raby, President of the Surdel Girls Soccer Club in Delta, B.C. experienced a tragic loss both personally and as part of her soccer family. 15 year old soccer player (and close friend of her own daughter) Laura Szendrei was murdered September 25, 2010, near Kelly's home and adjacent to a soccer field, at 1:00 pm on a beautiful sunny afternoon.

As a former board member, coach, and manager, I would like to ask our Hillwood soccer family to show support and participate in the **1st Annual Laura Szendrei 5 & 10K Walk Run & Roll.**

It is a short 2-hour trip from Shoreline to Delta and will occur on **Sunday, April 10, 2011.** You can get further information and register online (\$5 Canadian) at www.lswalkrunroll.com.

All money raised will go into the new foundation set up: Laura Szendrei Memorial Scholarship Foundation Society, which will present two sport scholarships annually to students in the Delta area.

If you have any questions, you can contact me at brons4@gmail.com.

I hope to see you there wearing your Hillwood jerseys!

Linda Brons

Spring Soccer Camp UK International:

Hillwood Spring Soccer Club, Day Camp, Shoreline

Dates: April 18 - April 22

Be part of The Best Possible Soccer Experience

For more information and registration:

<http://www.uksocca.com/Online/A5D.php?CID=43981771&wl=0>

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UK Elite Summer Camp:

This year Hillwood and Shorelake Soccer Clubs are teaming up with UK Elite Soccer to provide our players and coaches with fun, educational and cutting-edge development opportunities to ensure that our kids are 'ready to play'. Below are the details of the 2011 summer camps;

*****Register for our UK Elite Soccer Camp or Soccer School before April 17th and receive a FREE UK Elite / Under Armour replica shirt (retail value up to \$24.99)*****

July Soccer Camp Dates: July 25 – 29 Times: 9am – 12pm Ages:

Ages: 5 – 11 Location: Paramount Park Price:

\$140

Register:

https://www.ukelite.com/checkout/bookevent.jsp?event_id=15615&

July Soccer School Dates: July 25 – 29 Times: 5pm – 8pm Ages: 9 –

16 Location: Shoreline Park Price:

\$140

Register:

https://www.ukelite.com/checkout/bookevent.jsp?event_id=15616&

Aug Soccer Camp Dates: Aug 22 – 26 Times: 9am – 12pm Ages: 5 – 8

Location: Paramount Park Price:

\$140

Register:

https://www.ukelite.com/checkout/bookevent.jsp?event_id=16113&

Aug Soccer School Dates: Aug 22 – 26 Times: 9am – 12pm Ages: 8 –

14 Location: Paramount Park Price: \$140

Register https://www.ukelite.com/checkout/bookevent.jsp?event_id=16195&

These programs are designed around the UK Elite methodology! A program focused around Individual player development for 5-14 year olds. If you want to improve your technical skills and your tactical knowledge this is the program for you! Dynamic coaching methods will ensure every player improves during this program...

Register Online... Click on the above links to register

Register Via Mail... Email EwanR@UKElite.com for printable registration form More Information... Call (206) 455-1855