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REF/COACHING COURSES

KESA is once again hosting an entry level ref course. Online modules must be completed prior to the online April 17th session. There will also be a field session on April 29th. Register at www.refcentre.com. All registered KESA players (youth and adult) will be refunded their course fees once proof of certification is provided.

KESA is also hosting two different levels of coaching courses. Learn to Train is an excellent course for house coaches and those staring in Development. It is an online course with an on field component that will take place April 30th. For Rep/Development coaches we also recommend taking the Level C course, which we will host for the first time ever on April 22 and 30th. This course will be a requirement for all teams headed off to provincials in the near future. Register by March 31st. Contact us for more information.

HOUSE

Our very successful Fall flooring Superstore Indoor House Program finished up in December. Registration is now open for out spring season and runs through March 31st. The season will be held throughout May and June. ALL SOCCER PROGRAMS CAN ONLY RUN WITH THE HELP OF MANY VOLUNTEERS. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO COACH OR MANAGE A TEAM PLEASE REGISTER TO DO SO ASAP. COACHES WILL BE PROVIDED WITH LESSON PLANS AND GUIDANCE THROUGH OUT THE SEASON. MANAGERS ARE IN PLACE TO AID IN COMMUNICATION BETWEEN COACHES/KEYSA AND THE PARENTS. WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS OUR PROGRAMS CANNOT RUN SO PLEASE SIGN UP TO HELP OUT!! ALL VOLUNTEERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK. COACHES WILL BE PROVIDED A LINK TO DO AN ONLINE RESPECT IN SPORT COURSE.

BOARD MESSAGE

KESA held it's Annual General Meeting on February 7th. Reports were given from all directors on their portfolios as well as an executive report on the previous year. Several motions were voted on including this years budget, amendments to some of our bylaws. The two major votes included adding two new positions on the board, taking our numbers from 10 members to 12. Congratulations to our new board members Terra Wilson and Paul Tomiuk. All other board members are continuing in their positions.

We also voted to change our name from KEYSA (Kootenay East Youth Soccer Association) to KESA (Kootenay East Soccer Association) as we now run adult programming as well as youth programming. We will be unveiling our new logo soon as we continue our re-branding. KESA is also happy to announce the assignment of a head ref for our association. Sergio Spadafora is an experience referee who will help KESA develop and support our refs moving forward.

Finally, we continue to look at our new name for our annual tournament in June, formally known as Sam Steele Tournament. If you have any suggestions please email them to us as soon as possible.

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ADULT LEAGUE

The Open Mixed Adult League continues at New Dawn place on Saturday nights. The final round robin games take place this weekend before heading to 3 weekends of playoffs. Games go from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm and spectators are always welcome. So far, the race continues to be close between the Cranbrook FC, The Unicorns, and Fake Madrid.

REP/DEVELOPMENT

Registration is now closed for the spring season. Please make sure you order any uniforms from Inaria before February 20th to ensure delivery before our first tournament in Nelson. Also, please make sure you book hotels for our tournaments as soon as possible. We will also be hosting play downs for provincials this year June 3/4th. Practices are expected to start April 25th



WHITECAPS NEWS



Vancouver Whitecaps academy continues to practice at New Dawn place throughout the month of January. If your player is interested in improving their skills with a professional coach, please contact coach Will Feria about the program.

The caps to college program continues to prepare for the outdoor season, which this year will include two tournaments in the lower mainland. The Mayors Cup in Surrey, March 10-12th and the SX Cup in Burnaby/Surrey on April 7-9th. Players are also attending weekly zoom meetings with their counterparts from the West Kootenays. Topics include sports psychology and nutrition for athletes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 9 - Apr 15 Winter Rep/Dev season

Jan 2- March 31st Spring outdoor House Registration

Jan 7 - March 11 Adult League/Ladies drop-in season

Apr 15/16th Youth indoor 5V5 tournament @ New Dawn Place

Apr 25 - Start Rep/Dev season

May 2 - June 22 - Spring Outdoor House Season

May 5-7th - Nelson **Tournament**

May 20-22nd - Kamloops

Tournament

June 3/4th - Provincial Play Downs

June 17/18th KEYSA home

Tournament

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