THE HEARTBEAT OF Lakewood

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Welcome to this edition of the Heartbeat of Lakewood newsletter

as we just finished a very successful indoor tournament with 98 teams competing in 5 different age groups and 3 different divisions with numerous out of town teams. I want to thank the organizing committee that made sure things ran smoothly from tournament headquarters and those that organized things on the fields. We received numerous compliments on a smooth operating tournament. And thank you to the numerous volunteers that worked in tournament headquarters, admissions tables, the raffle table, selling merchandise and collecting food for the Saskatoon Food Bank.

Outdoor Registration Now Open!!

Lakewood Soccer announces that registration for the upcoming outdoor soccer season is officially open! We are inviting boys and girls of all skill levels, from U7 through U19, to join us for an exhilarating season of soccer. This year, we are expecting over 500 young athletes to register, making it an incredible opportunity for your child to be part of a vibrant and diverse soccer community. Whether your child is looking to try soccer for the first time or hoping to further develop their skills, Lakewood Soccer offers a supportive and dynamic environment for all.

To make the deal even sweeter, we're offering **Super Early Bird savings for those who register by March 3rd**. This is a fantastic opportunity to save on registration fees and secure a spot for your child in what promises to be an unforgettable season. Early registration not only helps us in planning and ensuring a smooth season ahead but also guarantees your child a place on a team. We strongly encourage you to take advantage of these savings and ensure your child's participation.

Please note that the registration deadline is March 17th. To ensure your child is placed on a team, it's crucial to register before this date. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee placement after the deadline. For more details about the registration process, age divisions, schedules, and more, **please visit our website at LakewoodSoccer.com**. Don't miss out on this opportunity for your child to engage in physical activity, learn new skills, make friends, and be part of a team. Register today and be a part of the Lakewood Soccer family this outdoor season!

At Lakewood Soccer, our purpose is to build a better soccer community. With a vision of developing champions in sport and life, we strive to provide a safe, inclusive, and fun soccer experience for all. As Zone 4 under Saskatoon Youth Soccer Inc., we are committed to fostering balance, growth, and parity within the leagues, serving the City of Saskatoon and surrounding region. With 16 Community Associations in our area, Lakewood Soccer offers one of the largest selections of soccer programs in the city. From U7 to U19, boys and girls of all skill levels are welcome to join our teams. With our tagline "Always Play with Heart," we aim to become the club of choice for families looking to develop and enjoy the beautiful game of soccer.

Keeper Training

The Lakewood Keeper Academy in Saskatoon is a top-tier training program for soccer goalkeepers of all ages and skill levels, focusing on a their abilities through a mix of advanced coaching, state-of-the-art facilities, and personalized training. It offers a comprehensive curriculum that includes everything from basic techniques to advanced strategies, all taught by experienced coaches in a supportive environment. This program is ideal for both novice and experienced goalkeepers aiming to improve their skills, mental toughness, leadership, and teamwork. Open to youth keepers across various levels (U11 to U17) who are registered with Saskatoon Youth Soccer (SYSI) or Saskatchewan Soccer (SSA), it promises a challenging yet enjoyable experience tailored to age-specific development.

Weekend Keeper Camp April 20-21

U11/U13 Keeper Camp Two Sessions \$90 (includes camp shirt)

U15 and older Keeper Camp Three Sessions \$130 (includes camp shirt)

Lakewood Keeper Academy

May 5 - June 19 12 Sessions Sundays and Tues or Wed \$160 (includes academy shirt)



Need To Know...

- Mar 3 Super Early Bird Registration Ends
- Mar 17 Early Bird Registration Ends
- Mar 26 U11 and Under Coaches Meetings 7:00
- Mar 27 U13 and Over Coaches Meetings 7:00
- Apr 12/13 Outdoor Teams first training session TBA
- Apr 12/13 Town Hall and Outdoor Team meetings
- Apr 20/21 Keeper Camp (2 sessions for U13 &U) TBA
- Apr 20/21 Keeper Camp (3 sessions for U15 &O) TBA
- Apr 26 Outdoor Season Begins

Saskatoon Soccer Centre Saskatoon Soccer Centre Saskatoon Soccer Centre Centennial Collegiate Saskatoon Soccer Centre Saskatoon Soccer Centre Various Fields

TBA

Lakewood Evaluation Schedule

Monday, March 11, 2024

5:30pm - U11B Group 1 5:30pm - U11G Group 1 6:30pm - U11B Group 2 6:30pm - U11G Group 2

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

5:30pm - U11B Group 3 5:30pm - U13B Group 1 6:30pm - U11B Group 4 6:30pm - U13B Group 2

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

5:30pm - U11G Group 3 5:30pm - U13G Group 1 6:30pm - U13G Group 2 6:30pm - U13B Group 3 **Thursday, March 14, 2024** 55:30pm - U15B Group 1 5:30pm - U15G Group 1 6:30pm - U15B Group 2

Note: All times are tentative. More evaluations will be added once Saskatoon Soccer centre Turf times are secured.

Just Kick-It Cup Finalists

U19 Girls	Gold - Native Sons FC	Silver - Lakewood Marvel
U17 Boys 2	Gold - Hollandia United U17	Silver - Lakewood Impact
U15 Girls 2	Gold - Impact 2009 (Plant)	Silver - FC Regina Blue Fusion
U15 Girls Premier	Gold - Lakewood Leeds	Silver - Hollandia U15GA Gorges
U15 Boys 2	Gold - Lakewood Revolution	Silver - U15 Prince Albert Celtics
U15 Boys Premier	Gold - Lakewood Galaxy	Silver - FC Regina Whitecaps
U13 Girls div 3	Gold - BUFC U13G Thiell	Silver - Lakewood Flash
U13 Girls 2	Gold - Swift Current U13	Silver - U13G Real
U13 Girls Premier	Gold - FCR Matrix	Silver - Prince Albert Celtics
U13 Boys 3	Gold - Lakewood Arsenal	Silver - Meridian FC
U13 Boys Premier	Gold - Lakewood Celtics	Silver - FCR Bayern Munich
U13 Boys Div 2	Gold - U13 PA Celtics	Silver - Eastside Liverpool

THANK YOU To all the incredible teams, coaches, managers, players, and especially the devoted volunteers who contributed to the success of the Lakewood Just Kickit Cup tournament, we extend our heartfelt gratitude. Each one of you played a pivotal role, whether by guiding your teams with expertise, demonstrating sportsmanship on the field, managing the logistics seamlessly, or offering your time and effort selflessly as volunteers. Your collective efforts created an unforgettable experience for everyone involved, fostering not only a competitive spirit but also a sense of community and camaraderie among all participants. Thank you for making the Lakewood Just Kick-it Cup a resounding success!

Lakewood Revolution - U15 Boys

Lakewood Revolution had a big weekend during the Just Kick-it Cup Tournament, ending with a win for Gold in the final against PA Celtics! The Celtics have been a major competitor all season! It was a very hard fought battle.

The team also spectated other Lakewood teams, sold "squares" for the Super Bowl fundraiser for our Revolution team, sold 50/50's for Lakewood, and enjoyed a team dinner.







😸 Dynamo Welcomes Cloverdale Paint



LAKEWOOD U13 DYNAMO



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Team Dynamo would like to send a Big Heartfelt Thank You, to our sponsor Cloverdale Paints in Saskatoon for their generous donation.

The donation was used to purchase personalized practice jerseys that the Team is so proudly wearing.

Lakewood Galaxy - U15 Boys A

The Lakewood Galaxy U15 Boys team achieved an outstanding victory, securing the gold medal at the Just Kick-it Cup Soccer Tournament. Demonstrating exceptional skill, teamwork, and determination, the team remained undefeated throughout all three games of the competition.





Revolution Fundraiser

The Lakewood Revolution U15B soccer team would like to thank everyone who purchased an NFL Square at the Lakewood "Just Kick It" Cup.

The winners are as follows:

1st Quarter: Brady Bernier; \$50 (Lakewood U15B Player)

2nd & 3rd Quarter: Kevin Miller; \$200 (Regina Dad)

Final: Brad McKinnon; \$250 (Lakewood U13B Dad!) Join the Revolution!!



😸 Lakewood Marketplace

Exciting news for all Lakewood Soccer supporters! We're thrilled to introduce a brand-new marketplace feature in The Heartbeat of Lakewood, designed for anyone looking to buy or sell gently used soccer-related items. To list your items, please email: heartbeat@lakewoodsoccer.com

For Sale:

Nike Phantom GT Elite, Size 8.5 Worn two practices only! Purchased for \$225, asking \$175 Heather Johnson heather_johnson@shaw.ca or text (306) 290-9679





Lakewood Team Sponsors

Lakewood Celtic U13 Boys:

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- NuTech Industries

Lakewood Dynamo U13 Boys:

• Cloverdale Paint

Lakewood Galaxy U15 Boys:

- Butler Buyers
- Final Draft Co. Ltd.
- Plan2Build Homes Inc.
- Top of Mind Gifts
- Wellington-Altus Private Wealth

Lakewood Blue Thunder U13 Girls:

- Rivercity Technology Services
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Lakewood Revolution U15 Boys:

- Blue Collar Construction
- Korre Mechanical
- Morrison Realty '87
- Oxbow Architecture
- Professional Computer Services
- The Cave
- Titan Marketing Solutions
- Walkers Drug Store
- Wallace Construction Specialties

Lakewood Soccer would like to thank the Lakewood Team Sponsors for their contributions. The funds help offset the cost of tournament fees, travel, clothing and team building activities. Thank You!! Coaches, managers: if we missed any sponsors, email heartbeat@lakewoodsoccer.com and we will list in next issue.



Lakewood Celtic - U13A Boys

On January 20, the Celtic U13A Boys kicked off 2024 by hosting bingo at Lakewood Civic Centre. Family and friends came out to support the team and take home a variety of prizes, including gift cards and packages from the Huskies and Riders. Coach Jason called our games



for us while the team cleared tables and checked bingos.

Thank you to the parents who provided prizes and came out to help with the event - we couldn't have done it without you.

Just Kick It Cup U13 Premier Champs

The boys may have started off a little slow with a loss on Friday afternoon, but they returned

that evening ready to start fresh. Their next game was just the first of three without any goals against them, including the final against FCR Bayern Munich. Once the team got going, they didn't stop until they were hoisting that trophy above their heads on Sunday afternoon.

Despite the busy weekend of soccer, they found time to sit down together for subs and brownies before their shift selling 50/50s, including the winning ticket. All-in-all, they had a pretty good weekend.

Lakewood Blue Thunder - U13A Girls

Lakewood Blue Thunder had a successful Just Kick-it Cup tournament with a win, a draw and a close loss to an all-star FCR team. The girls had a blast selling 50/50s and a team breakfast at Dennys!



Lakewood Thorns - U15 Girls

The girls started the season with many returning players and a few new ones to round out the team. They have played hard all season and worked on many aspects of the game and the sport. The coaches have seen a lot of growth in these players throughout the season and are very proud of how far they have come. The Just Kick It Cup was our first tournament of the season for our crew. They played strong in all their games, playing some very competitive games against new opponents from various places. It was exciting to see how they matched up against different competition. We finished the tournament with a social event at Clip 'n Climb, where the girls were able to have some fun and laughs all around. We will finish our season with the last few league games and a final trip to Edmonton for the Slush Cup in March. Already thinking of the outdoor season and what that will look like for this crew! A big shout out to Coach Arielle for helping out this season and being a fantastic role model for these young athletes.

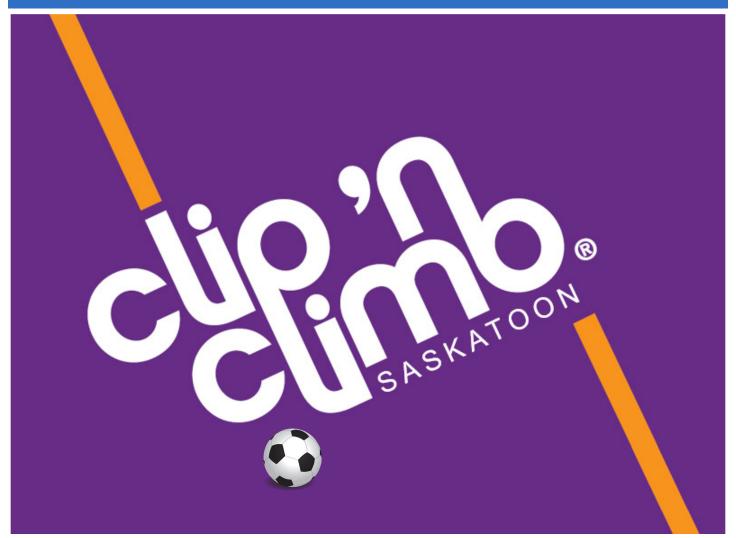


Lakewood Arsenal - U13 Boys B

Arsenal took home the trophy in an intense, nail biter final against Meridian. After losing to Meridian in the round robin the Arsenal boys were ready for the rematch. Both teams played well, with shots ringing off crossbars and going just wide, the score remained 0-0 though extra time. The game headed into penalty shots where our keeper came up with 3 big saves and Arsenal walked away with a 2-1 victory! Good job boys!!



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Clip 'n Climb Saskatoon is proud to support numerous not-for-profit organizations in our city, especially those helping kids and promoting youth sport. We wish all Lakewood Soccer players, their families, and all Lakewood staff and volunteers a fantastic indoor season!

How are we doing? If you have ideas, suggestions or comments about The Heartbeat of Lakewood, let us know at: heartbeat@lakewoodsocccer.com