

# - ANNUAL REPORT -



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## 2010 PEI Soccer Association Members & Staff

#### <u>Club</u>

Central Queens Clippers SC Charlottetown Abbies SC Eastern Eagles SC Eliot River Ramblers SC Fort Augustus SC Kensington SC Morell Strikers SC North Shore Sharks SC Sherwood-Parkdale Rangers SC Souris Lamplighters SC Stratford Foxes SC Summerside United SC West Prince SC Winsloe-West Royalty Blues SC

#### PEISA Executive

Gerald MacDonald Fred Foster Daphne Andrews Colleen Arsenault Tara Ferguson Mike Goeseels John O'Brien Jim Chandler Bruce Norton

#### PEISA Staff

Peter Wolters Lewis Page Jonathan Vos Verley Harrison Allyson Seviour Shawn Hughes

#### Club President

Cindy Crane David Vos Lori Lund Janos Barna Robert Gunn Barbara Weeks Wendy MacLaren Terry Jackson Alex Godfrey Daniel MacInnis Bruce Matheson Kelly Drummond Lincoln Rix Guy Boswall

President Vice-President Secretary/Registrar Treasurer Senior Women's Director Senior Men's Director Youth Director Director of Officials Technical Director

Executive Director Technical Director Grassroots Director Referee Assignor - Summer Summer Student Summer Student The Prince Edward Island Soccer Association wishes to thank the following sponsors who have generously supported our organization and sport during 2010.

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### AGENDA PEISA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Rodd Royalty Inn & Suites – Island Room Club Registration - 9:00 A.M., Saturday, March 5, 2011 Meeting – 9:30 A.M.

- 1. Roll Call, Credentials
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Approval of Minutes -February 28, 2010 PEISA Annual General Meeting
- 4. Business Arising From The Minutes
- 5. Nominations of Officers and Directors
  - Vice-President, Treasurer, Senior Women's Director, Youth Director, Director of Officials
- 6. Communications
  - Indoor Facility Report

#### 7. Reports

- a) President
- b) Secretary/Registrar
- c) Treasurer
- d) Senior Men's Director
- e) Senior Women's Director
- f) Youth Director
- g) Technical Director
- h) Director of Officials
- i) Competition's Report
- j) Executive Director
- 8. Consideration of Amendments to the Constitution
- 9. Election of Officers and Directors

- Vice-President, Treasurer, Senior Women's Director, Youth Director, Director of Officials

- 10. Approval of 2011 Budget
- 11. New Business
  - a) Island Wide Registration Date
  - b) Spring Leagues
- 12. Date of Next Meeting
- 13. Adjournment

#### PEISA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Saturday - February 27, 2010 - 9:30AM Provinces Room - Rodd's Charlottetown Hotel Club Registration/Affiliation - 9:00AM - 9:30AM

#### PRESENT:

Executive: Gerald MacDonald - President - Vote if tie. Fred Foster - Vice-President - Vote Colleen Arsenault - Treasurer - Vote Daphne Andrews - Secretary/Registrar - Vote Tara Ferguson - Senior Women's Director - Vote Jim Chandler - Director of Officials - Vote Bruce Norton - Technical Director - Vote John O'Brien - Youth Director - Vote Clubs: Brian Allain - West Prince Lincoln Rix - West Prince - Vote Marta Irvine - Summerside - Vote Jason Reid - Summerside Pat Dykerman - Central Queens - Vote Jason MacDonald - Central Queens Kennie Martin - Winsloe-West Royalty - Vote Terry Jackson - North Shore - Vote Ron Beaton - North Shore Janos Barna - Eliot River - Vote John Diamond - Eliot River Ruth Morris - Charlottetown - Vote Alex Godfrey - Sherwood - Vote Wendy MacLaren - Morell - Vote Bruce Matheson - Stratford - Vote Lori Lund - Eastern Eagles - Vote Justin MacKenzie - Souris - Vote Guests: David Arsenault - Chair - Indoor Soccer Complex Committee Nick Murray - President - PEISRA Staff: Peter Wolters - Executive Director Jonathan Vos - Staff Coach - Grassroots

#### ABSENT:

<u>Executive:</u> Mike Connolly - Senior Men's Director <u>Clubs:</u> Kensington Fort Augustus

1. ROLL CALL/CREDENTIALS: Club Registration/Affiliation was conducted from 9:00AM to 9:45AM. All Clubs were properly affiliated at that time and the list provided to the President. The President called the meeting to order at 9:50AM and welcomed all present to the meeting. He then polled each Club to identify its' voting delegate. Two clubs were not present. 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A typed agenda was provided at the front of each Annual Report. The President asked if there were any changes and/or additions to be made. Colleen requested that she be allowed to present both the 2009 Audited Financial Statements and the 2010 Budget for the PEISA at the end of Reports instead of at Item #10.

MOTION: Moved by Fred and seconded by Lincoln that the agenda presented be approved as amended as per Colleen's request. Motion Carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 28, 2009 PEISA AGM: These minutes had been circulated to Executive and Clubs previous to today's meeting and copies were contained in the 2009 Annual Report which was provided to all.

MOTION: Moved by Colleen and seconded by Pat that the Minutes of the PEISA AGM held on February 28, 2009 be approved as presented. Motion Carried.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: None.

5. NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS: The President noted that, as we presently have no Past President to conduct this duty, Nick Murray had once again agreed to carry out the necessary procedures today. He thanked Nick for all his help and support to the PEISA in the past and then requested Nick to proceed. Nick advised that there were four positions up for election at this time - President, Secretary/Registrar, Technical Director & Senior Men's Director.

a. <u>Senior Men's Director:</u> Mike Connolly not reoffering; written submission received from Mike Goeseels stating that he was willing to let his name stand for this position.

Colleen nominated Mike Goeseels and Bruce (Norton) seconded the nomination. Nick then called 3 times for further nominations. None were received.

b. <u>Technical Director:</u> On question from Nick, Bruce (Norton) advised that he was reoffering for that position.

Colleen nominated Bruce(Norton) and Fred seconded the nomination. Nick then called 3 times for further nominations. None were received.

c. <u>Secretary/Registrar:</u> On question from Nick, Daphne advised that she was reoffering for that position.

Ruth nominated Daphne and Jim seconded the nomination. Nick then called 3 times for further nominations. None were received.

d. <u>President:</u> On question from Nick, Gerald advised that he was reoffering for that position.

Tara nominated Gerald and Lincoln seconded the nomination. Nick then called 3 times for further nominations. None were received.

The President recognized Mike Connolly's work with soccer throughout the years and as Senior Director for the past two years, noting Mike was stepping down to spend more time with his young family plus he is now involved with his municipality's community council. He then noted that the Treasurer had advised him that she will be leaving this position when her term expires in 2011, adding that more people will be "stepping down" in the next couple of years and that these vacancies will need to be filled with new people.

#### 6. COMMUNICATIONS:

Indoor Complex Report: The President welcomed David Arsenault of the a. Indoor Soccer Complex Committee. Mr. Arsenault addressed the group, providing overall progress reports of finances and operations plus unaudited financial statements for the Indoor Complex for the year ending December 31, 2009. Construction was finished in July, 2009; received grant in lieu of taxes (taxes just in and out); many groups beside soccer using facility such as baseball, softball, golf, etc., plus birthday parties coming in is a big surprise; turf replacement will be needed in 10 years. Projected balance owing on mortgage as of December 31, 2010 is \$840,000.00. PEISA is listed as second Mortagor. David thanked the Indoor Soccer Complex Committee members David Swan, John Horrelt, John Diamond, Gary Petipas, Ray McCormack, Fred Foster and Gerald MacDonald. He noted that Dan Williams is doing a great job at new complex. Need activities during May - October rather than laying people off; heat/furnace is a problem; have had systems controls revisited and/or replaced but problem has not yet been solved. Oil bill is very high at present, noting that this has been a relatively "easy" winter. Alex questioned apparent reluctance to get lines for soccer on turf and Fred advised that the committee doesn't want a "whole bunch of lines"; however, David will take issue to next Indoor Board Committee Meeting. New metal goals are being made - 7' x 16' which will be properly anchored. Some voiced concern that metal goals could be dangerous and suggested that "plastic" or PVC would be safer. Gerald then reiterated David's thanks to the Indoor Committee members and thanked David for his untiring and excellent help and support in making the indoor facility a reality, and actively continuing to be involved.

b. <u>CSA Long Term Player Presentation</u>: Jonathan Vos gave a verbal and visual presentation on this program. He noted that training is physical maturity based rather than chronological age; should be the same training and skills right across Canada; will start with U-6, U-8 and U-10 levels in 2010. CSA changing the U-12 program in 2011. Jonathan wants to meet with each Club at least once, possibly twice, during season. Practice plans for each age group will be provided to each Club.

<u>At U-6</u>, goal is not really on creating soccer players but getting players involved - 3 on 3 - no goals - no throw-ins. Just getting kids out; getting active; doing things with the ball, etc. - play a game of tag then some soccer skills; use 15 yds. x 20yds. field; coach should have extra balls available so that when ones goes out, the coach will roll in a new one. <u>At U-8</u>, pretty much the same approach except a bit larger field; no goalies, no throw-ins, and add a few more skills. <u>At U-10</u> - suggest two practice

sessions v.s. one game; teach moves, shooting, passing; 6 on 6 players; use "kick-ins" instead of throwins; no off-sides; field size - 35yds. x 45 yds; coach should tell players "no net hanging"; use goals approx 6' x 12'. All info from today's presentation will be sent out to all Clubs. New World Cup document is out; has some changes. "Wellness to World Cup" coming out soon; hope to have brochure prior to registration to give out.

U-12 for 2011 - will likely be 9 v.s. 9 - might be 8 v.s. 8; 50 yds x 75 yrds. field; goals are to be 6' x 18'; more information for Fall Board Meeting. Proposing shorter games - 35 minute halves. Basically continuing with present rules, however, could be some offside changes.

Coaching Courses - There will be a couple of new courses added - Youth License (tested/evaluated at end of course). Some content of courses will be changed; youth will likely be for U-16 down. There will be a Master Assessment Course in March; Lewis will be attending. Should know more about coaching courses by end of March and Clubs can expect courses in early April; this information will go out to Clubs. Mini teams in league with other Clubs are to follow guidelines re numbers, field size, etc.; no league standings. Jonathan to develop specific drills for each age group and send out to Clubs.

Player Pathways: U-14 and U-16 All Stars will go to Nationals; U-13 will stay the same with Atlantics; At U-14 - Atlantic Tournament where scouts will determine who is to attend Nationals. U-16 - NTC National Tournament - selected individuals will go on to Nationals.

Alex noted that this format is the same as it was 10 years ago and questioned if each Atlantic Province would be guaranteed a minimum number on Atlantic Team. Jonathan advised that there will be no guarantee re numbers as selection will be based on player performance. No decision yet re any changes to coaching or financial requirements - administration not worked out. Jonathan added that he just saw this plan about two weeks ago so is expecting more information in the near future; CSA is leading the issue re Club Nationals; may be some changes. PEISA will continue with present All Star Programs at this time. Gerald explained that CSA views the Club Nationals as a National Competition but views the All Stars as identification only.

Jonathan advised that his priority for 2010 is to go to all Clubs and do sessions with coaches, etc. Separating boys and girls at U-10 level - some Clubs are and some are not - no CSA directive re this at present.

7. **REPORTS:** Gerald noted that all reports were contained in the Annual Report and suggested that the Officers and Directors not present their individual reports, unless there were questions, then approve all reports together (except financial) at the end. AGREED.

a. <u>President:</u> Written report plus explained proposed changes at CSA level (6

Directors elected and 6 more appointed); each province/territory will not automatically have a delegate at the table in future.

- b. <u>Secretary/Registrar:</u> Written report plus various stat sheets; various issues to be reviewed.
- d. <u>Senior Men's Director:</u> Absent; written report.
- e. <u>Senior Women's Director:</u> Written report. Question: What to do with new players?
- f. <u>Youth Director:</u> Written report; contained several issues to be reviewed.
- g. <u>Technical Director:</u> Written report; date should be 2009 instead of 2010. <u>Grassroots Report:</u> Written report. Camps not overly great; if Clubs having difficulty, Jonathan is willing to help.
- h. <u>Director of Officials:</u> Written report. Ninety-one officials in 2009;Gerald thanked Nick as President of PEISRA and his continued help and support to the soccer community.
- i. <u>Competition's Report:</u> Written report. Attended U-14 Nationals in 2009; going to be CSA rep in Quebec (Boys) in 2010. Volunteers needed for 2010 Senior Nationals on PEI; meeting to be held in April notice going out.

MOTION: It was moved by Janos and seconded by Marta that all reports except financial be approved. Motion Carried.

c. <u>Treasurer</u>: Colleen started her report by asking Clubs to review our registration numbers to see if their figures and ours are in agreement as the present registration system was not operating properly at all times in 2009. She stated that we need to get an accurate final total, noting that PEISA is looking at changing its' registration system, possibly for 2010. Gerald noted that, in the beginning of the Indoor Facility process, the figure of 6,000 was used but that that figure has taken a bit of a slide since that time.

- Break at 11:15AM; Reconvened at 11:30AM. –

c. <u>Treasurer:</u> (continued) Colleen presented the audited Financial Statements of the PEISA for the year ended December 31, 2009. Loss of \$29,931. for 2009; no U-14

Nationals or Aliant Cup to help with finances in 2009, plus a legal bill of approximately \$13,000. which had to be paid. Also, sound system purchased from Canada Games; this is being stored at new Indoor Facility but will be available to Clubs for tournaments, etc.

MOTION: Moved by Jim and seconded by Ruth that the audited Financial Statements of the PEISA for 2009 be approved. Motion Carried.

10. APPROVAL OF 2010 BUDGET: Colleen explained that she was just recuperating from recent surgery and apologized for not having had the proposed budget out to Clubs sooner. She requested that we deal with the budget today, if at all possible.

MOTION: Moved by Ron Beaton and seconded by Fred that we deal with the 2010 PEISA Budget today even though the seven-day time frame was not met. Motion Carried.

During the budget presentation, it was noted that registration numbers are down; budgeted \$5,000.00 income from indoor activities - this could be higher, maybe even \$10,000. to \$15,000. Peter had not been at the last executive meeting to confirm some of the numbers. May not get all grants which we have in the past; 2% increase in staff salaries (Peter, Lewis, Jonathan); insurance should stay about same; CSA levy going up \$1.00/player; proposing another \$4.00/player to PEISA to avoid deficit again in 2010; hope to have no legal bills; office rental should stay the same. Indoor commitment is \$120,000.00/year. On question, Colleen advised that the PEISA currently has \$118,000.00 in bank. Some voiced concerns re this amount, such as Clubs operate on a "break-even" budget and numbers of players are dropping; Clubs will likely have to increase their own fees to just break even; such increases could be as much as \$10.00/player and some parents cannot afford this. Some Clubs apparently run a deficit each year but run a tournament to make up the needed monies; can't justify another \$5.00 to an U-6 or an U-8 player to support indoor (\$120,000.00) as most from the outlying areas won't even use.

Colleen advised that she had used the number of 5,600 players - not the 6,000 as numbers are declining; \$2,800.00 was given out in refunds. Gerald advised that well-run PSOs usually hold a reserve of six months' monies.

Break for lunch - 12:15PM; Reconvened - 12:55PM.

Brian and Lincoln had left the meeting earlier to hold Provincial Team practice and returned to meeting at this time. Gerald advised that Ron Beaton would be taking Terry Jackson's vote when Terry leaves for another commitment.

Discussion on 2010 budget continued. PEISA needs more money because there are less players and, therefore, less fees; has to be at least \$1.00/player increase to go to CSA; could be unforseen expenses; not good business to go at \$30,000.00 deficit for two years in a row.

MOTION: Moved by Bruce Norton and seconded by Terry Jackson that we approve a \$3.00/player fee increase (\$1.00 for CSA and \$2.00 for PEISA) for 2010. Motion Carried. (9 for and 8 against)

MOTION: Moved by Jim and seconded by Bruce Norton that the 2010 budget, amended, be approved in principle subject to the \*player fee numbers being reworked as approved. Motion Carried with one abstention.

\*Player fees would be calculated at \$3.00/player instead of proposed \$5.00/player.

Some discussion re the situation of salary plus benefits for staff; some felt that the benefits should be included in the salaries. Aliant's \$7,500.00 might not be there in 2010; Subway has expressed some interest.

8. CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION: Fred advised that the PEISA Committee has redone/updated the Constitution and By-Laws; not professional - but a legal person has been contacted to review the proposed changes. All Clubs had received copies of the twelve proposed changes to be dealt with today which were (copy attached): Article 1(f) - OK, Article 1(f) - OK, Article 4(c) OK, Article 5(e) OK, Article 5(f) OK, Article 5(g) OK, Article 5(h) - should have been old Article 5(g) to Article 7(g), Article 6(g)(viii) - OK, Article 7(c) - OK, Article 7(g) - OK and Article 7(h) - OK. After review,

MOTION: It was moved by Fred and seconded by Lincoln that the proposed changes be approved as amended. Motion Carried.

9. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS: Nick reminded the group that nominations for the various positions had been held before lunch.

a. <u>Senior Men's Director:</u> As no further nominations were received, Mike Goeseels was declared Senior Men's Director for a two-year term. A round of applause and well wishes were extended to Mike in his new position.

b. <u>Technical Director</u>: As no further nominations were received, Bruce Norton was declared Technical Director for a two-year term. A round of applause and well wishes were extended to Bruce for another term in this position.

c. <u>Secretary/Registrar:</u> As no further nominations were received, Daphne Andrews was declared Secretary/Registrar for a two-year term. A round of applause and well wishes were extended to Daphne for another term in this position.

d. <u>President:</u> As no further nominations were received, Gerald MacDonald was declared President for a two-year term. A round of applause and well wishes were extended to Gerald for another term in this position.

Nick then announced that this concluded the elections for 2010.

#### 10. APPROVAL OF 2010 BUDGET: Done at end of reports.

#### 11. NEW BUSINESS:

a. <u>Island-Wide Registration Date:</u> Saturday, April 10/10 was set as "Island-Wide Registration Day". Clubs are to provide times and locations to Peter for advertising. On question as to whether registrations could be put in before April 10, Peter advised that he would have to check and get back to Clubs.

CSA is looking at a Canada-wide registration system; this will not be in place for 2010. It is a pilot project and PEISA will be part of pilot. Many voiced concern with the present data base - very complicated/not efficient. However, Gerald questioned if we wanted to ask volunteers to change to a new system this year and, possibly, again next year; a lot to ask of volunteers.

MOTION: Moved by Alex and seconded by Kennie that 2010 will be the last year PEISA will use the present data base. Motion Carried.

Gerald advised that CSA has received \$100,000.00 from FIFA to do Canada-wide system; however, if we find out that the project is 5 years down the road, then we may make a change this year; as a pilot project, we would get the first year free. Gerald to contact Peter at CSA to confirm information and explore options.

b. <u>Spring Leagues</u>: Application received from UPEI for sanction of Senior Women and Youth Spring Leagues; to run from mid-April to end of May outdoor. PEISA discussed running such leagues at new Indoor Facility but not feasible for 2010; looking at doing Indoor Spring League in 2011; could start right after March Break. UPEI application to be approved with notice that UPEI needs to ensure that players are registered again on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Spring Board Meeting and Registration Seminar to be held on Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010; time and place TBA.

13. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 1:34PM.

## President's Report

Once again, the sport of soccer has experienced a very successful year on Prince Edward Island. The highlight of the year was definitely the hosting of the Challenge Cup/Jubilee Cup Senior Championships in October at UPEI and Cornwall. All three teams representing our province performed at a high level. In women's play, the Pilot House team played a very talented BC team in the bronze medal game and finished with a strong fourth place finish. In Men's play, the host Hunters Ale team played every opponent hard and finished a very strong eighth. The highlight of the year had to be the incredible run of the PEI champion Churchill Arms team as they went through the tourney without giving up a goal. They also played a very strong BC team in the final and, in what some soccer fans have described as the finest game ever played on PEI, they emerged with a 2-0 victory and the Challenge Cup. Congratulations to the players and the coaching/ management team of John Diamond, Bruce Norton, David Snowie, and Lewis Page who have together put a tremendous amount of energy into the development of the sport on PEI.

Youth teams performed well; of particular note were the performance of WWR U18G who opened with 0-0 ties with BC and Manitoba and finished seventh and the WWR U18B who finished fourth in a 12 team field.

The Senior Championships were very successful from an organizational point of view and much credit must go to Co-chairs Gary Petitpas and Ray MacCormack and the many volunteers. We have strong financial support from the Government of PEI (Hon. Carolyn Bertram, Minister), Charlottetown SCORE Program (Wayne Long), and the Canadian Soccer Association as well as many local business sponsors. From the first game till the closing ceremonies, PEI received many compliments on many things...except the wind.

The Indoor Centre continues to show positive growth in all areas. The youth leagues are once again confined to U14 and we can only hope to retain these players when they move to U16 while continuing to grow the U14 league as well as adding U12's. We have terrific numbers at the senior level in both men's and women's leagues. There is a substantial increase in requests for rentals this year and this speaks well for the viability of the building. Again, we have to express thanks to volunteers Kirk McAleer and Leo Doucette for the fine work they have done organizing the leagues.

On the national level, changes in the way the CSA is governed were finally approved for implementation in 2012. Under the new format, Prov./Terr. presidents will no longer sit on the CSA Board. Instead, they will elect 6 regional representatives (one from Atlantic Canada) and a Nominations Committee will bring forward names the 6 appointed positions. They will attempt to address issues such as gender, athlete representation, and specific skill sets with their appointments (new appointees must be approved by existing Board members).

There is a proposal on the table in relation to fees. There is no increase this year but beginning in 2012, the fee would increase by 4% each year based on 2008 registration numbers. This is not particularly advantageous to the Atlantic Provinces (or any prov./terr. not experiencing population growth). The concept is to encourage prov./terr. to increase membership and they could keep the revenues over and above 2008 numbers but PEI and NS, for example, lead the country in % of population registered in soccer so we have little room to grow. This will be voted at the May CSA AGM.

The Annual Awards Banquet was a great success and the Rodd Royalty Inn, a major sponsor of sport on PEI, is to be congratulated for the fine food and terrific venue. Peter Wolters did a great job organizing the event and Nick Murray was again a major contributor. Thank you to the clubs who work to insure the events success and the many athletes, parents, and volunteers who always attend with enthusiasm.

A major challenge we face this year is the successful implementation of the U12 program. This requires a rethinking of the game when it comes to younger players and will no doubt prove successful. The first year will require adjustments in many areas. We will have different game lengths; require more fields or back-to- back games, potentially more coaches and officials, and a rethinking of how the game is played at that age. Some athletes who played U12 last year might see this move to smaller fields as a step backward but we have to focus on the positives to keep them enthused and involved in soccer.

Tara (Thomas) Ferguson and Colleen Arsenault are leaving the PEISA Executive after many years of service to the game. Tara will continue to be involved with the Senior Women's League and we wish her well as she enters a new phase in her life. Colleen has served as Treasurer of the PEISA for eight years and, during that time, we have made strong advances in establishing the PEISA as one of the most financially sound and well-respected sports organizations within our province.

Personally, I want to thank everyone around the table who serve on the executive and represent our clubs for contributing your time, opinions, and talents for the good of the sport.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald MacDonald, Pres., PEISA

## TRANSFERS/PLAYER MOVEMENT 2010 SUMMARY

<u>U</u> -	<u>12</u>	<u>U -</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>U -</u>	<u>· 16</u>	<u>U -</u>	<u>18</u>
BOYS	<u>GIRLS</u>	<u>BOYS</u>	<u>GIRLS</u>	<u>BOYS</u>	<u>GIRLS</u>	<u>BOYS</u>	<u>GIRLS</u>
22	3	6	7	13	14	9	4

Total Transfer Requests: 84

Total Approved: 84 (51 Male and 32 Female)

# Senior Men's Director Report

The Senior Men's League was very successful this year on all levels.

In Premier, PEI hosted the Senior Men and Women Nationals. The Churchill Arms made history winning PEI's First Gold. They went undefeated and did not concede a single goal. PEI also had a host team made up of First Division players. They played strong and hold their heads high.

First Division was a tight race to the end as always. The Ise's Trout beat the East Side Marios in sudden death penalty shots. It was an amazing finish to a great season. This was Ise's only fourth year in the fist division as they climbed their way out of second division.

Second Division was also a very tight race with Kensington taking top spot. Summerside was right behind them. The two teams took this rivalry right to the final with Summerside winning out. Summerside also won the right to play first division while Sporting Intentions drops to second division.

The U-18's also had strong showings in the Senior Men's League. Winsloe and Central Queens played first division and Summerside played second division. Winsloe won the Challenge Cup to earn a birth at Nationals. They placed a strong Fourth. The Senior Men's League has brought in a new policy regarding the U-18's. They will become full members of the Senior Men's League in 2011. They will play full schedules in the SML.

The Boston Pizza Masters again went to the Eastern Canadian championships. They were held in Halifax. No medals this time, but we had another strong showing.

With the success of our teams against other Provinces, I would argue that PEI Senior Men's League First Division may be one of the strongest in the Maritimes.

This is my first year sitting as the Senior Men's Director on PEISA and I've learned a lot. I've also sat on the transfer and awards committee, and I look forward to another great season.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Goeseels PEI Soccer Association Senior Men's, Director

## **Senior Women's Director Report**

2010 succeeded in being another rewarding season for female soccer on PEI. The league had two divisions with a great number of talented players. The three finalists for the female senior athlete of the year, Tessa Roche, Sarah Stewart and Gina Lisi show that this Island does have the talent to compete at the National level.

The Pilot House won the Challenge Cup and represented the province well, playing in front of the home town crowd. Even on the coldest days, the players provided great skill and talent to watch for the fans who were brave enough to conquer the cold weather.

The Provincial final between Hunter's Ale House and WWR Petro Can proved to be an even match. The game went into overtime with both teams continuing to play as if it were the first half. The game ended in penalty kicks with Hunter's Ale House coming out on the winning end. The determination these players showed even at the end was a great tribute to Island soccer.

The under 18s were in the Senior Women's league again this year and what a great addition they continue to be. WWR won the privilege of representing PEI at the Nationals and they did a wonderful job. They had some close games that would have been great to watch. This team is filled with future senior women stars.

Souris and Kensington made it to the Provincial finals and providing a close game. Both teams were even and represented all under 18 girls well in this final. Souris edged out Kensington in the end. Both teams should be proud of that final game.

We had one team that played in the Premier division for the summer but whom did not want to participate in the Challenge Cup. This provided a unique situation as in the past we have had at least two teams do this and therefore both teams participated in the Piazza Joe Cup. This Cup was invented so teams that wanted to do this would have a play-off competition to compete in.

The league has allowed this as some of the stronger teams want the stronger competition that the Premier division offers. This year since there was only one team; there was no Piazza Joe Cup. The team requested to play in the Provincial play-downs but were denied. The rules and regulations now address this issue and any teams playing in the premier division will not be allowed to play for the provincial cup.

I would like to thank everyone for their support and guidance through my terms as Senior Women's Director. I have enjoyed working with players, teams, clubs and my fellow Executive members.

Tara Ferguson Senior Women's Director

## Youth Director's Report

(1) Registration for 2010 declined marginally from 2009 and resulted in the following differences in the number of teams in the Youth League from the previous year:

AgeDivision/Gender U12 Girls U14 Girls U16 Girls U18 Girls Subtotal:	2010 22 20 17 <u>5</u> 64	2009 21 24 17 <u>5</u> 67
Subtotal.	04	07
U12 Boys	22	22
U14 Boys	19	20
U16 Boys	11	11
U18 Boys	3	2
Subtotal:	55	55
TOTAL:	119	122

(2) With the first year of open registration at the U18 level now completed, it appears that the change in rules last year had little impact overall. There were eight teams registered in total in all divisions at this age group (see attached chart), an increase of one over 2009.

(3) A table is attached identifying the top four teams in each Youth League Division at the Challenge and Provincial Cup competitions for the season along with each team's placing during league play for the summer. The record, including goals for and against, and final placing for each team that travelled to Nationals is also indicated. Congratulations to the six Provincial Champions who represented PEI at Nationals.

(4) With the second year of the Indoor Complex underway, it is apparent that attracting interest and participation in leagues at the youth level remains a challenge. There are no leagues in place for U12 or U16 age groups and only 6 boys and 4 girls teams for U14. The demands of school sports, including soccer in the Fall, and other organized sports (e.g. hockey and basketball) through the Winter along with travel distance and winter driving conditions are challenges to be overcome.

(5) Looking Forward - Issues to be addressed:

Long Term Player Development (LTPD) – This program will be introduced at the U12 age level in 2011 and will initially incorporate an 8v8 model with a larger number of teams, smaller field size, fewer players on teams, fewer players on the field, and 30 min halves. The Youth League will need to review its Rules and Regulations to address changes. Clubs will need to address issues concerning number of teams, number of coaches required, goals/nets, field availability and lining, etc. The Association will need to concern itself with the number of referees required when

there are more games to be played.

<u>Rules & Regulations</u> – There were two significant issues at the Youth level with respect to the PEISA rules and regulations during the 2010 season:

a) Changes were made to the U18 Boys Provincial Challenge Cup playoff schedule without consultation with those charged with responsibility for the competition, i.e. PEISA Vice President and Youth Director, and without appropriate notification to one of the teams. This caused unnecessary challenges with respect to the playoffs and likely left some Clubs scratching their heads concerning how decisions are made at the PEISA.

b) Due to adverse weather, a number of youth playoff games had to be replayed in the final days prior to the provincial competition. The PEISA rule(s) dealing with this issue were incomplete and unclear, led to some Clubs/teams playing extra games leading into the Final Four weekend, and added an extra day to the championship weekend.

While the recent adoption of a rule change will address item b) above, there remains a significant issue with respect to the PEISA Rules & Regulations in general. A review and update was a recommendation included in a decision of an Appeals Committee rendered to the Association in early 2009. An attempt was made during 2010 to have the documents reviewed and updated, but nothing came of the effort.

With the passing of two years and little or nothing accomplished with regard to this issue, it needs to be given higher priority by the Executive and by the PEISA in general. A thorough and comprehensive review will serve to guide the PEISA in its governance going forward by addressing the concerns raised in the aforementioned Decision of the Appeals Committee and aiding the day to day operations and decisions required for the Association to function properly.

Respectfully submitted, John O'Brien

## Technical Director's Report

2010 was an eventful year in the Technical Department with great success from individual players, provincial teams and club teams. We had an increase in our coaching education program and an expansion of our grassroots player development programs. We also began the first steps of delivering the new Long Term Player Development plan set out by the Canadian Soccer Association.

#### Player Development

In 2010 we fielded provincial all star teams for boys and girls from u13 to U16. All these teams traveled to the Atlantic All Star championships except for the u16 teams who had no tournament offered. The u14 and u16 teams also competed in the National All Stars championships. At the Atlantic championships PEI reached every final winning six silver medals. We also achieved success at the national level with the u14 girls winning their first game against Saskatchewan and qualifying for the top division. They performed extremely well against, Ontario, Alberta, BC and Quebec.

In the senior men's National Club championships PEI's Churchill Arms won our provinces first ever national championship. This is of particular interest to our player development program as the team was made up primarily of players who had played all their youth soccer in our club and provincial teams program. The core of the team was made up of players from our last four Canada Games programs.

Individual players also made their mark on the national scene this year with Mozesh Gyorio signing a profession contract with Tampa Bay FC and being invited to the first camp for Canada's 2012 Olympic Soccer Team.

#### Grassroots Player Development

Perhaps the biggest development in this area has come with our ability to run grassroots training for players in the winter months. In 2009/10 we ran 3 sets of 7 week camps at the PEI Indoor Complex for boys and girls from the ages of six to twelve. We are continuing to evaluate this program to see if we can expand it to older ages and perhaps add a goalkeeper development program.

On the staffing front Jon Vos is no longer working for us full time as a grassroots coach, however he has stayed on in a part time capacity to run our winter programming. We are currently reviewing the best method of staffing our grassroots position.

#### **Coaching Development**

In 2010 we delivered two children's and two youth courses certifying sixty coaches. We also co hosted, with Soccer Nova Scotia, a B provincial license course in which nine PEI coaches participated. Two PEI coaches also attempted to obtain their National B in 2010. In 2011 we will see a change in the community coach program. The children's youth and senior courses will be replaced with, active start, Fundamentals and training to train. Active start will be a three hour course, Fundamentals will be a one day course and learning to train will be a two day course. We are hoping to have four course conductors available and trained to deliver these courses in 2011. This will be the first step in bringing the coaching education program in line with the Long Term Player Development Plan of the CSA.

In conclusion we would like to thank the clubs for their continued support and commitment to the PEISA's coaching and player development programs.

## **Director of Officials Report**

This past year was another year of many high level games played on PEI. We hosted the Challenge Cup and Jubilee Trophy, the Senior Men's and Women's National Championships. Along with that UPEI hosted the CIS National Championship tournament. While the on field referees were all from off island for the CIS tournament we had 12 local referees be involved in the Senior Nationals. The reports from the National Assessors and the Supervisor of Officials on our local referees were all positive. The CIS tournament gave us a chance to see some of the top female officials in the country at work.

Kristyn Visser was presented the Junior Referee of the Year award at the PEISA Awards Banquet. This accomplishment is much greater when you consider that Kristyn was coming off a major injury suffered from the blade of a speed skate. She demonstrated that she is one of the best up and coming young referees on the island. Congratulations to Emily Malone and Matt Dunlop who were also nominated for this award. Nominees for Senior Referee of the Year included Mike Kok and Richard Pettipas with Cory Deagle taking home the hardware.

The PEISRA implemented several programs this past year. A mandatory refresher clinic was put in place which all referees had to take prior to registering. The association held fast to this even giving the clinic to one or two referees at a time ensuring that every referee that registered took the clinic. This brought us in line with the national program.

Probably the biggest initiative undertaken by the association was the Goalline program. This system has several functions around assigning of referees. Referees can set their availability which lessens the amount of games a referee has to refuse due to previous commitments. It also gives the association the ability to put referees in games that meets their abilities. It also gives up a single source for information, forms and assignments. Other functions will become active in the future including the ability to assign assessors and deliver assessment paperwork to referees.

A single uniform program was also put in place. This gave all referees the same uniforms when attending tournaments and in games where three or four referees were used. Orders were taken at the all clinics, both refresher and instructional with most referees participating

We finished the year with 89 referees registered. Six of these were provincial referees, 15 Regional and 68 were District. The 68 District includes 38 first year referees. We had a few register for the indoor seasons at the complex in Stratford. We continue to hold around the same numbers for both new and returning referees. Work commitments off Island will see us loose three of our senior referees this coming season. Alex Godfrey left mid season last year for a prosecutors position in the north and both Brodie O'Keefe and Thomas Hall have taken jobs in the western provinces. Best wishes to all three on their new endeavors. Hopefully, all will return in the near future.

The PEISA held their AGM Saturday February 5<sup>th</sup>. Katherine Morrow was returned as president and Marta Wemdemqezaha replaced Brodie O'Keefe as Registrar. Treasurer Doug Smith,

Technical Director Justine Lewis and myself, Vice President, are entering year two of two year terms.

The upcoming season will see challenges in developing a new training program for the new U-12 playing guidelines. The refresher clinics will again be mandatory. This gives a great opportunity to have all referees get the same information on changes to The Laws of the Game as sent from FIFA through the CSA Referees Program. The hosting of the Eastern Canadian Masters Championships will again have referees on the pitch for the Thanksgiving weekend.

It has been an honor and pleasure the work with both the PEISA and the PEISRA executives this past year. The support of the referees is also greatly appreciated. I am proud of the quality of officials we are able to provide not only for our local leagues but for the national stage as well.

Jim Chandler, Director of Officials

## **Competitions Report**

As in past years, summer and fall soccer on PEI was again another busy time for PEI teams competing locally, as well as at Atlantic and National Club and All Star Championships. PEI sent a full compliment of teams to all competitions. To all those coaches, managers and even the parents who committed countless hours in training, transporting and raising money to allow our players a chance to play our game, I would like to say thank you on behalf of the PEISA and congratulations for all your hard work, support and dedication.

This past year was a milestone for soccer on PEI, as for the first time, ever, we produced a National Champion. The Churchill Arms senior men's team achieved what no other team had previously done in winning the Challenge Cup in front of its own fans as PEI hosted the senior men's and women's national club championships in October. The senior women's Sherwood Parkdale Rangers Pilot House also had a great result, finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in the country. In the U18 age category, the Winsloe/West Royalty Blues teams produced excellent results with the boys finishing fourth and the girls 7<sup>th</sup> in the competition held in St John's, NL.

The U14 Club Nationals were held in Moncton, NB with the U16 Nationals being held in Toronto, ON. The Eastern Masters were held in Halifax, NS. I'm sure the youth and senior Directors will report the results on these competitions. Many thanks to all those who were Provincial reps in 2010, I hope you enjoyed the experience.

We continue to show improvements in both All Star and Club Nationals, thanks to the dedicated coaching staffs at all levels. Our U14 and U16 Provincial All Star teams (boys – Sherbrooke, QC and Girls – St. John's, NL) also performed well in July. Our All Star Program continues to develop fine soccer players.

At the All Star Atlantics, PEI competitions were held in the U13 (Corner Brook, NL), U14 (Halifax, NS) and U15 Moncton, NB) age groups. In all three competitions our boys and girls were successful in getting silver medals.

As a part of my position as the Vice President of PEISA, I also sit on the CSA Competitions Committee. As a committee, it is our role to approve the locations of the National Championships, report on the events, approve changes to the rules and levy fines as follow up to the competitions. Members from this committee are also assigned the responsibility of being the CSA Rep at each National Competition. In 2010, I was given the opportunity of being the CSA Rep at the National U14/U16 Boys All Star Championships held in Sherbrooke, QC. It was a great experience being in charge of the National All Star Championship and I look forward to doing this again in the future.

Domestically, our provincials worked well again and will be covered under separate cover by our Youth and Senior Directors. The Central Queens Clippers complex played host to the U12 through U16 final four championships and was again a great success. It was encouraging to see the limited amount of call-ups requested by the respective Challenge Cup Champions. Teams are finally now realizing that Club Nationals are just that and requests for call-ups from other clubs will be kept to a minimum.

I would like to thank everyone who has supported me in this sometimes demanding position.

Respectfully Submitted, Fred Foster

# Executive Director's Report

The year 2010 was another exiting year with numerous highlights.

The Indoor Soccer Complex has been a success with a full slate of indoor programs and leagues.

The Island hosted the 2010 Senior Club Nationals and the Churchill Arms Senior Men's team from the Charlottetown Abbies Soccer Club capture the Island's first ever National Championship. The soccer association wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to all those volunteers at the soccer venues for a job well done.

The success our teams are continuing to achieve at National and Atlantic Championships is a testament to all the coaches and volunteers working hard at the grassroots level. Island players are getting scouted and the potential is there for them to reach their highest level.

The Association implemented the Goalline registration system and web site. Numerous clubs have also contracted with Goalline for their own web sites. The first year of operation was very successful and more features of the system will be implemented in 2011.

Thanks again this year to the indoor complex board for their continued efforts in the successful operation of the facility.

I want to thank Verley Harrison for his efforts as the referee assignor. His experience from the previous year was certainly a great asset. Thank you to Shawn Hughes and Allyson Seviour for their work with us during the summer.

A special thank you goes out to Colleen Arsenault for her tenure as treasurer. She has certainly been a great asset to the Association and will be leaving us with the financial situation well in order.

I want to thank all our members and volunteers who work hard each and every year to make sure all kids had a place to play the game and have fun doing it.

I look forward to my continued work with the members in 2011. The door is always open to discuss any concerns or issues.

Yours in Soccer,

Peter Wolters PEISA Executive Director