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**North County Youth Soccer Association
Annual Report 2013 - 2014**

Respectfully submitted by James Calvert, President

For the 2013-14 season NCYSA seen a slight drop in player count; numbers were around 7,400. NCYSA clubs offered opportunities for players ages 3 through 18.

Our clubs offer a wide range of playing opportunities for our membership. Ten of our clubs continued to inter-tie our recreational league with teams from South Whidbey, Snohomish, Terrace-Brier and Skagit; this provides our organization with a strong level of competition for players in this program. Washington Rush (RCL), Total Futbol Academy, Granite Falls, Marysville, Silver Lake, Sky River and Sno King (NPSL) provided players opportunities to play at the higher levels of competition.

In late December we had two clubs start the process of merging, Total Futbol Academy and Marysville. Starting in the fall of 2014 they will be Pilchuck Soccer Alliance.

We had three (3) teams in the Recreational Cup Finals in December U11B Silver Lake Bombers , U12G Silver Lake Blueberries, U17B Mukilteo Altrec FC. Blueberries and Altrec finished as State Champions. In 2014 Founders Cup we had the U11G Sno-King FC Edmonds Black Ice finish as Champions and U13B Sno-King FC Edmonds Fury as finalists. The U11G Washington Rush finished as finalists in the 2014 Challenge Cup.

NCYSA also sanctioned several successful tournaments in 2013; the Washington Rush Cup in July; the Marysville Strawberry Classic and Sky River in August, and the Mukilteo Turkey Shoot in November.

Referee recruitment and re-certification continues to be a major objective of NCYSA, numerous Entry level clinics were offered throughout spring, summer and as late as October. In conjunction with the North Chapter Referees several clubs hosted re-certification clinics in the December 2013 and January 2014.

Seattle Youth Soccer Association

2013 Annual Report

May, 2014

Here is a summary of the highlights from the 2013 calendar year.

Recreational Fall Soccer –SYSA overall yearly soccer registration numbers continue to remain consistent, with nearly 13,000 players. Fall recreational soccer dropped off a bit, to about 10,500 players. We are definitely seeing pressure from US Club select providers in the Seattle area siphoning off young players in the U7-10 age groups. SYSA will be addressing this with new offerings from Seattle United in 2014.

Spring Soccer – Our spring soccer program based on small-sided games continued to grow in 2013. Participation was over 6,000 players and over 630 teams. The younger ages were particularly strong, with good growth in the U7 and U8 team categories.

City Tournament and Jamborees – While our annual end of season City Tournament went off well, team registration numbers were lower than past years. We hosted a second year of a U9 and U10 post season Jamboree which showed very strong sign up.

Referee Mentoring – We continue to work in conjunction with the Seattle Soccer Referees Association to grow the referee pool and improve the ability levels of existing referees.

Seattle United – SYSA's Premier and Select club continues to grow and to be a great partner with our recreational program, providing training academies and clinics, and a Juniors program that allows rec players to get high level training, but continue to play on the rec teams.

Soccer in Schools – Our Soccer in Schools program, a partnership between WYS, Seattle Public Schools, and SYSA, and funded entirely by SYSA, continued to provide soccer skills training and overall physical fitness in Seattle Public elementary schools in the 2013-14 school year.



Whatcom County Youth Soccer Association Annual Report of the President April 2014

2013/14: WCYSA CONTINUES TO MOVE FORWARD

By Mark Lackey, WCYSA President

Whatcom County Youth Soccer Association experienced another great year of soccer in 2013 with two great recreational seasons held in the spring and fall. Our association's player numbers were up slightly from the 2012 player count with a 2013 total of 3832 players taking to the field.

Building off of the major evaluation and restructuring of our programs in terms of our premier club, WFC Rangers, assuming a greater role with our advanced development programs in our association. This past fall our under 12 development league which had been an association operated program is now a WFC Rangers program offering aligning these players in a direct player development path with the upper levels of play. This has also provided the ability to have some of the under 12 players to be allowed to guest play with the WFC Rangers premier squads via the player pass for developmental purposes.

In our reorganization our association revamped and revised the recreational programming for our players U13 and above through the implementation of the Rangers Competitive Program (RCP), which essentially placed our recreational players for the ages under 13 and up within the WFC Rangers. The purpose of the RCP is to then increase greater numbers by forming teams outside of our traditional recreational club boundaries and to assemble teams based on an evaluation session to balance out the player pool and to encourage fun and competitive matches. This program was a success as for the first time we have had enough high school age players to form a league. We have also created an inter-tie with Skagit Valley Youth Soccer Association to provide an enhanced league experience for these players without a significant time and financial commitment.

This past year WCYSA had some great volunteers and staff members leave the organization and some great new folks step forward to help in the leadership of WCYSA for the next few years. At the end of 2013 Denise Massey Smith, WCYSA's Office Manager and Registrar, left the organization after 9 years to take a position with Whatcom County Planning. However Denise's love for WCYSA came through as she stepped forward and was elected to be the incoming board treasurer along with Mark Lackey as WCYSA President. WCYSA wants to extend a huge thank you to outgoing President Chris Fowler and Treasurer Cecilia Holt. Thank you for your years of service to our players!

Other WCYSA Highlights for 2013 that also need to be recognized:

- WCYSA continued to hold successful association directed age based coaches clinics in September 2013 and March 2014 with nearly 90 coaches attending the four 3-hour course sessions.
- Meridian Soccer Club held their seventh annual Meridian Classic 3v3 Tournament, an in association recreational focused event, in early June with 100+ teams participating in this great event! They had so many teams they moved to a Friday evening and Saturday event.
- WCYSA's sixth session of TOPSoccer was another overwhelming success this past spring with 34 children participating. WCYSA TOPSoccer program continued its great partnership with Western Washington University Men's & Women's team in that they provided 17 TOPSoccer Buddies to work with the players. We also had great support for the program from St. Luke's Foundation for the operational costs of the 2013 program.
- WCYSA held their 13th Annual Senior Classic matches in early June. These matches, one for the boys and one for the girls, recognize the entire county's graduating senior soccer players. It is a great way to send these players off. In between the two matches WCYSA also awarded their two academic scholarships to Andrea De Vere and Logan Smith.

It was a great 2013 and we look forward to a great 2014/15 for soccer in our community! A huge thank you to all the parents and volunteers who make our programs successful.

March 21, 2014

Northwest Sound Youth Soccer Association

Annual Report

Submitted: Louie Bond

This past year has been an interesting year for Northwest Sound Youth Soccer Association as an organization. In many ways the organization is stronger as the clubs continue to get stronger and more organized within meeting the needs of their local youth and families wishing to play youth soccer in the midst of a struggling economy this past year with a large portion of our families faced with furlough over the summer leading up to the fall. There is better communication and cooperation between the clubs at all levels of the game including between select and premier soccer.

We saw many changes including folding District 4 into NSYSA with many of the committee chairs and directors agreeing to continue in their positions during the transition. We were very fortunate to have Dick Mohrman and his members of the Disciplinary Committee return and do a great job even in light of loss of communication flow with KPSRA moving to Affinity and away from Ridgestar. He had to work very hard on a regular basis to get information from KPSRA to adequately follow any misconducts within the NSYSA Leagues. Doug Marxen served us well as our Recreation Cup Director and serving on the State Recreational Committee. Sue Pendt continued to serve us as our TOPSoccer Director and Soccer to the Maxx Jamboree Director both while planning and moving to the other side of the pond. She was invaluable and greatly appreciated by the TOPSoccer families! Kathy Simpson and Jim VanAntwerp continue to guide, provide advice and promote field development within our association as members of the Fields Today Fit for Tomorrow where they are currently helping guide with projects being discussed at Pendergast and in South Kitsap. We were able to hire Steve Shively as our first Website Administrator and NSYSA Scheduler which was a daunting task. I am confident that we were fortunate to hire Steve who has been thrown into the Deep End (replacing Don Stephenson who was the D4 All Hands on Deck Scheduler and Administrator) and I am as you all should be thankful that he survived his Freshman Year. It can not be understated how large of a learning curve it was in managing both our website and managing each and every team within our clubs schedules. Thank You Steve for a job well done!

Organizationally we were fortunate to have Paul Aussendorf step in and be appointed as our treasurer helping to bring our books current and providing monthly current financial statements after having gone for a long period of time without an association Treasurer. Liming McMillan has been stalwart as our association registrar providing stability both on our board and as a resource for our club registrars. Darcy Buell stepped up and assumed the Vice President role of Awards and Recognition and did a terrific job coordinating award purchases and distribution to each of the clubs timely and communicating and working with the clubs in submitting People of the Year awards. For

me personally Bob Bjornemo was our outstanding board member of the year as he was tireless in wearing multiple hats as our Vice President of Competition which is a full time job at times from August through November and serving our organization as our association Secretary, responsibly providing timely emails with the agenda and meeting notes thereafter. I also wish to acknowledge Kurt Pendt who even while his job moved to the other side of the water stayed on to be our Secretary up to the time they moved and we very much appreciated his support and guidance. We were short handed this year without having a Secretary and a Vice President of Administration which are critical positions in any organization and we suffered from these vacancies. Thank fully Val Corden has volunteered to assume the role of Vice President of Administration.

I have been added to a number of State Committees which are taking more and more time including the Soccer Operations Committee, Select Soccer Subcommittee, and Recreational Committee. Our organization will need to add another voice on the Members Operations Committee and likely we will need to add one more voice to the Recreational Committee if Doug Marxen is unable to retain his position on that Committee.

We are fortunate that leading up to the AGM we have both Bob and myself willing to return should our members wish for us to in our positions as President and Vice President of Competition and we have a candidate Kent Hassebrock willing to run for Secretary. Paul Aussendorf has repeatedly reminded us that he was not wanting or willing to continue on as our Treasurer and that he really came on to assist us and help us in the interim.

One area where I have failed the organization is that we are not any closer in getting our 501C3 status renewed as I am still missing one clubs documents for resubmitting to our law firm for them to begin the reinstatement process.

I believe going forward in addition to getting our paperwork up to date is 1) How can we grow our numbers association wide as we currently are showing about 7% of our kids in the school district playing soccer by setting goals and action items for say growing our numbers to 14% within 3 years; 2) Working together better for fostering the transition from recreation, select and premier for our families who may want to expand their playing horizons within our association that would be organizationally providing the same positive message from the Association and all the Clubs; and 3) Encourage more volunteerism by our members to support each of our Clubs, the Association and the numerous committees we each have to staff so that we can reduce the burden on just a few who are carrying multiple loads.

Thank you for letting me be the President and a member of your Association this past year.



Thurston County Youth Soccer Association

The past year was one of very significant and positive change for Thurston County Youth Soccer Association. The association grew, in early 2013, from two clubs to seven clubs with the addition of the Deschutes YSA and two Thurston-based clubs which were previously affiliated with a neighboring county. This has created an association with 4,625 players (2012/13) and growing cooperation amongst the clubs. The increased scale has also delivered financial efficiency, with the administrative fees to clubs reduced by 14% from fiscal 2014 to fiscal 2015.

The player base represents about 11% of the youth population of the county, in line with the player penetration in Washington State. The seven clubs have, over the past five years, grown player numbers by 14%. There is no evidence in the current year of the decline in player numbers which has been experienced in other parts of Washington. This translates into vibrant super-mod programs covering 1,300 players (up to u7 age) and about 450 teams competing in u8-19 leagues in calendar 2013 (spring, summer and fall seasons), with some players participating for more than one season. Our teams compete at local level, in District leagues and in the RCL. A small number compete in non-WYS leagues because no alternative is currently available. We look forward to this gap being filled by initiatives working their way through the Competitive Sub-Committee. In February/March 2014 we offered our first ever indoor league with 14 teams competing in the u9 through u12 age groups. We expect this to grow significantly in future years. The current year has started strongly. The TCYSA spring 2014 league has attracted 10% more teams than in 2013. The largest local tournament (the Tumwater Soccer Club "Kick in the Grass") grew from 105 teams in summer 2012 to 134 teams in 2013. To mid-April 2014 our clubs have registered 10% more players than in the same period last year.

TCYSA and its clubs hosted about 2,400 youth soccer games in the calendar year 2013. To meet this demand, TCYSA facilitated the development of the referee population with entry level clinics and a very active mentoring program. The referee pool and its quality have grown substantially over the past five years as a result of very active cooperation between our association and the local referee chapter (QCSRA). The Referee Assignor filled 99% of all center referee assignments during calendar 2013. TCYSA has facilitated coach feedback on referees through our Teamsideline scheduling system. This has delivered a very large database of perceived referee performance, and the feedback is overwhelmingly positive. Field access has been improved with the expansion of the Blackhills Community Soccer Complex near Tumwater.

TCYSA, in common with many associations, has about 80% of its teams playing in recreational leagues. A big focus of recreational soccer over the past few years has been to match teams of similar competitive capability; this has produced more closely contested games, resulting in a better soccer experience for players, coaches and spectators. The focus within the more competitive soccer arena has been on building cooperation between the two competitive programs within our association. The competitive teams which play outside our district have a good record of performance. A more integrated approach to competitive soccer will facilitate stronger teams playing at higher levels and better access for players to the most appropriate level of competition. We are also leveraging the capability within the competitive soccer programs to build coach and player skills through academies and similar development initiatives which are run throughout the year. TCYSA and its clubs also hosted a coach training session run by Frans Hoek in summer 2013.

The boards of our clubs and the association are well resourced and we have a strong focus on good governance. During the year the clubs submitted financial statements for review by the TCYSA board. All clubs are solvent and liquid, with some carrying sufficient accumulated reserves to cover expenses for six months or more. The association is current on its tax and Washington corporate filings, has a balance sheet that is debt free and adequate working capital to meet its obligations. Our association switched to QuickBooks Online in early 2013 to improve internal controls and transparency.

Our area is well served by soccer volunteers, perhaps the most critical resource in offering high quality programs that attract and retain players and their families. We look forward to the coming playing year with confidence.

Respectfully submitted by Brian Cregg, April 23rd 2014