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## ***Footy Newsletter***

[www.saanichfusionfc.ca](http://www.saanichfusionfc.ca)

### ***Hey Soccer Fans!***

The 2012/2013 soccer season is gearing up to start and your Registrar, Joan C. and dozens of key volunteers have been working hard behind the scenes to ensure the season kicks off to a great start.

Welcome to our new and returning Board Members. A complete list of board members can be found on the SFFC website. Your Club Executive for the 2012-13 season is:

***President-Tony Melendez-Duke***

***Vice President-Havind Sehmi***

***Treasurer-Richard Halliburton***

***Secretary-Michelle Vingo***

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### ***Welcome and Many Thanks to Caelen Bright, our new Minis-Coordinator!***

***Bright Idea!*** Caelen is looking for a group of people interested in sharing duties for the U5-U10 age group. She would like to establish a Minis Working Group of active and interested parents. It's an easy and fun way to get involved in our soccer community and meet other like-minded parents. If interested, please contact Caelen Bright directly from the website using our 'contact us' option in the top right hand corner.

### ***Registration***

***Minis U5-U10:*** We are accepting player registration now. More details on the SFFC club website. Please contact Joan- Club Registrar or the Technical Committee from the club contacts list on the website.

***Youth U11-U18:*** We are still accepting player registration for all age groups. Please register on-line at [www.saanichfusionfc.ca](http://www.saanichfusionfc.ca) If you have specific questions please contact our Registrar, Joan Czotter.

### ***Transfers***

There have been some recent changes to the **LISA** transfer rules. Please visit [www.lowerislandsoccer.com](http://www.lowerislandsoccer.com) or email the SFFC Technical Committee if you have specific questions regarding these new rules.

**Please Note:** We recently added a new feature to our system and are now able to send out 'automatic payment reminders'. Please be advised that payments must be received in order for players to be placed on a team.

Correct fee amounts/deposits are as follows and are required by all players:

- 1) Registration fee (cheques can be post-dated to Sept. 1, 2012)
- 2) \$25.00 Transfer fee for all out of area players
- 3) U13-U18 players are to submit a \$40.00 Jersey Deposit-post-dated **April 1, 2013**.
- 4) U7-U18 players are to submit a \$100.00 cheque per family for volunteering. If you are volunteering this cheque should be post-dated **April 1, 2013**. If families wish to be exempt from volunteering please date your cheque for **September 1, 2012**.

### **2012/2013 Youth League Start Dates**

**VIPL – September 8/9**

**Gold – September 8/9**

**Silver – September 15/16**

**Bronze – September 22/23**

**Super 8 (U11/U12) – September 22/23**

**Mini's (U5-U10) – TBA-in house**

Our **Boys and Girls Co-ordinators** are ready, willing and able to answer or direct your questions. Use your age group co-ordinator as a first contact for questions about team formation, tryouts, practice schedule and season startup info. For complete information about youth soccer refer to the LISA website [www.lowerislandsoccer.com](http://www.lowerislandsoccer.com)

#### **SFFC Youth Co-ordinators**

**Boys U13 to U18 Contact: Al Niezen**

**Girls U13 to U18 Contact: Sheryl Kellow**

**Senior Teams** Tryout sessions and training nights are posted on the website. Contact Ian, Michelle or any other Senior Committee member for more info regarding season start-up dates.

**Club success** is not only judged on the field, where we were hugely successful in league and cup play. A complete listing of our club accomplishments is posted on the SFFC website. Off-the-field club success goes hand-in-hand with team success and we are building club spirit and success through volunteering and putting back into the community as a whole. We welcome any and all individuals interested in volunteering.

**Coaching Clinics** for Mini / Euro / Youth Club Coaches - FREE Clinics for 2012/13 club coaches. These sessions continue to run through August and September - Soccer for Life, Learn to Train, Fundamentals. For more info and to register visit the LISA website under the 'Coaches' tab at [www.lowerislandsoccer.com](http://www.lowerislandsoccer.com)

**Volunteer Central** - We are a volunteer based, non-profit organization.

We rely on many volunteers to ensure the success of our club operations. When considering volunteering, check out the many areas available and find one that interests you. Choose one that works with your family schedule and discover how volunteering with SFFC can be a positive and rewarding experience.

### Positions Requiring Immediate Volunteers

**Team Photo Day Co-ordinator/Scheduler:** needed for Tyndall based teams. Consider taking on this role as a group of 2 or 3 to easily complete your volunteer hours.

**Bookkeeper:** duties will be performed at Tyndall Clubhouse, 2-5 hrs per month depending on experience of volunteer. Knowledge of Excel/Simply Accounting an asset. Duties include posting deposits in SA, recording electronic items from bank statement into SA, reconciliation of bank statements, cheque preparation, general bookkeeping.

**"Turf the Gravel Field at Tyndall" Project** - this is the next large capital project that our club would like to undertake. Numbers are being crunched and discussions have started with Saanich Parks. Our target date is late 2013. The next step will be welcoming the comments of the members and the neighbourhood during the application and approval process. This is an exciting venture and we look forward to the support of our community.

### Fundraising Opportunity

Our **newest Club Sponsor** is **TruValue Foods**, located at 5124 Cordova Bay Rd, across from the Beach House Restaurant (previously McMorrans). TruValue's '**Spirit Program**' is designed to help non-profit organizations like ours. When you shop at TruValue, ask the cashier to apply the credit to **Account #16** and we receive a 1% donation back to our club.

### TURF BURN EVENT A BIG SUCCESS !

Held July 27-29 at Lochside Park, this event was tons of fun! Special thanks to the hardworking organizing committee led by Geoff Welham, Mark Phillips, Dustin Oliver, Rajan Reddy, Craig Atkinson, Peter Machin, Chris McDonald, and Vasuhi Collins. All proceeds go directly back into the club. This group has organized Turf Burn for 4 years! More volunteers are needed to ensure continued success in running this event. We will be looking to our Senior players and teams to step-up and assist next year.

**7 VS 7 SOCCER ON FRIDAY NITE WRAPS UP!** Kudos to Noel, Dave, Peter and the over 40s group that just completed year two of this club fundraiser. All registration proceeds go directly back into the club.

### **SFFC Scholarship Winner**

Congratulations Ben Clark! Ben was presented with a cheque for \$500 from SFFC, to use towards his post-secondary education. Ben was a member of the BU18 Gold team that recently placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the B-Cup Provincial Tournament. As the team goalkeeper, Ben was a key player in the team's successes that took them all the way to the Provincials this year. Ben will be attending the University of Waterloo this fall. Good luck Ben!

### ***Look Your Best On The Field And Off! Order Your SFFC Clubwear Now!***

Visit [www.mysoccercity.ca](http://www.mysoccercity.ca) to order your own SFFC gear. Their website is user-friendly and the product arrives in about 10 days. Never pick up the wrong jacket.....Customize by adding your name and number on your clubwear!

### ***"KICK-IT" - Our Clubhouse Store***

Come check out the "Kick-It" Store at the Tyndall Clubhouse. Grab a coffee at the concession or check out our clothing samples and sizes as well as a variety of items for purchase. We'll have you sporting the SFFC look with style. The store is open every Saturday starting September 8<sup>th</sup> and is run by our volunteers. If you can volunteer please contact Catherine Boss through our contacts on the website.

### ***Housekeeping Items and Reminders***

**Clubhouse or turf light keys** - if you have any club keys that you are not currently using please return them by dropping them in the mailbox at the Tyndall clubhouse.

**Extra club equipment** – Needed to balance our budget! If you are in possession of a yellow GH or navy SFFC club uniform and/or any referee shirts, flags, etc please return to the Tyndall clubhouse. You may also arrange to return it to your last season's coach or to Drew S.

**The 2012/2013 Season is just around the corner and with the help of our members we know it will be a great one for SFFC!**

***See you on the sidelines!***

***Yours in Soccer- from the PREZ Tony MD***

