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Bulls Calendar

07/04 Holiday –Independence Day
07/07 Oahu League BOD meeting, 7:15 p.m., Gentry Pacific Center
07/07 – 10 HSC Bulls Tryouts, Kapiolani District Park
07/13 HSC Bulls BOD meeting, 7:00 p.m., 900 Fort Street Mall
07/15 - 18 Hawaii International Cup, Waipio Soccer Complex
07/16 2004 - Team Reservation Deadline – 4:00 p.m., Soccerama
07/20 Newsletter deadline for August issue
07/20 – 25 US Youth Soccer National Championship, Disney Wide World of Sports Complex, Orlando, FL
07/24 – 26 U10 – U15 Surf Cup, San Diego, CA
07/28 – 08/01 Aloha International Cup, Waipio Soccer Complex



HSC Bulls U19 Boys Champions

Congratulations on capturing the Region IV Championship, the first ever for a youth team from Hawaii. You now qualify for the US Youth Soccer National Championships at Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Florida, July 20 - 25. Way to go. The HSC Bulls as well as the State of Hawaii are proud of you!

Team members are Akihide Adachi, Nathan Amous, Max Anton, Stephen

Carlson, William Cooper, Matthew Fischer, David Gualdarama, Duke Hashimoto, Richard Higa, Justin Kim, Satoshi Mitsuda, David Semenza, Bret Shimizu, Scott Shiraishi, Brandon Tario, Kenshiro Uki, Ryan Wisdom.

Background on the United States Soccer Federation National Junior Challenge Cup

Each summer U S Youth Soccer crowns a national champion, one for boys and one for girls, in the Under 16, Under 17, Under 18 and Under 19 age divisions. The finals are a culmination of a year long series of competitions at the state and regional level. State championships (often referred to as State Cups or SNICKERS Cups) are held in each of the 55 U S Youth Soccer affiliated State Associations some in the fall, but most throughout the spring. Champions are crowned for boys and girls in various age groups between Under 12 and Under 19. Champions in the Under 12, 14, 16, 17, 18 and 19 age divisions go on to represent their state at the regional competition.

The four regions host the next level of play in the National Championship tournament structure. The Regional Tournament is truly a tournament of champions as only teams who have won their state championships can participate in the Regional Tournament. Regional champions are determined in the Under 12, 14, 16, 17, 18 and 19 age divisions (also Under 13 and Under 15 in Region 1), boys and girls, with the champions in the Under 16 and above age divisions advancing to the National Championship finals.

The National Championship finals are played every July before thousands of spectators. This championship represents a

culmination of a year long effort by the four best boys and girls teams in the Under 16, Under 17, Under 18 and Under 19 age groups. Each team plays a semi-final match against another regional champion in his or her age group to advance to either the championship or the consolation game. The teams are competing for one of the eight championship cups that comprise the National Championship competition, and the honor of joining one of the most exclusive groups in the nation. Each year the names of the new champions and their home states join the list of other past champions, with their names engraved on their respective championship cups.

Why are you playing?

James P. McGuire Cup Under-19 Boys

The Under-19 Boys National Championship, the oldest of the 12, has been played annually since 1935, except during World War II. Originally known as the United States Soccer Federation National Junior Challenge Cup, the competition was renamed the James P. McGuire Junior Champion Cup in 1975, after the late United States Soccer Federation President. He played for the Brooklyn Wanderers in 1929, and later joined the Brooklyn St. Mary's Celtics who with McGuire at centre half won the U.S. Open Cup. James McGuire also served on World Cup and various other FIFA committees, and earned an international reputation as an excellent soccer administrator and leader.

Message from the President

Summer is officially upon us and with the onset of summer; we once again witnessed multiple teams traveling to mainland competition. This summer, 13 teams were involved. Some have



not experienced this particular thrill yet. For many, the excitement and strain is behind us. Teams and players can reflect on their successes and what they need to accomplish over the next year: learn a new move, drive the ball better, increase foot speed or muscle mass, investigate college programs. Welcome back to all who participated in the US Club Soccer Regionals in "cool" Las Vegas and Spokane's Far West Regionals. I know I couldn't wait every morning to check out the web site to see how the teams did. You all represented the Club and Hawaii so well; both on and off of the pitch!

A new seasonal year begins soon. Once the coaching staff returns and recovers from tournaments and ODP, tryouts will determine team composition. If you have friends interested in this level of competition and have commitment to the sport, let them know about trying out for the appropriate team.

The Club looks forward to continued growth of the Keiki League under the guidance of Coach Les and his youthful assistants. Your Board continues to support, strengthen and expand the coaching staff via increasing numbers of coaches and by sponsorship of the NSCAA Licensing Courses. Our older teams continue to compete and succeed in the men's and women's leagues. In fact, DOC Neddo and supporters are making it possible next year for alumni to continue to compete beyond the "youth" years.

Unfortunately, this year we bid farewell to Robyn McCullough from the coaching staff, who was convinced to stay on and coach after last year's successful Pro-Xtreme Camp featuring her and Brian Ching. The Club wishes her well as she moves on to New York for soccer and law school. Hopefully, she can be convinced to return for this year's Pro-Xtreme! Aloha and Mahalo, Robyn.

2005 marks the year of our 30th Anniversary as the Honolulu Bulls Soccer Club! Even new members should be proud of this longevity.

Look forward to celebrating this after the New Year!

So what is next? How do we keep pushing forward?

Managers, you are the vital communication link of the Club. Please continue to be informed and involved beyond the day to day management of your team. Attendance at tryouts, club events and monthly meetings is critical. You are asked to be champions in promoting our mission of youth player development primarily; with a vision of the bigger picture placing the players first, Club second and team third. Consider yourself ambassadors of the Red and Black!

Volunteers, we will need you at Tryouts, the HIC, Camps, Pro-Xtreme and our Second Annual Golf Tournament later this year.

Parents, constructively support your individual children as they compete through the season. Successful teams have a strong parent base taking care of the details.

Players, continue to grow and excel and learn the game. Study it. Watch games on TV and at Waipio Soccer Complex when older boys and girls are competing. Practice on your own. Larry Bird shot 1,000 free throws a day in his quest to be one of the best basketball players ever!

Alumni, when you have sown your oats on the mainland, get involved with the Club when you return to paradise. You already do a fantastic job with assisting at the camps. Think about getting more involved, perhaps even run for the Board!

This is your Club, our Club. Let's continue the effort with even more vigor as we enter our 30th year!

Dues and Budgets

By Karen Ehrhorn

Thank you to the Dues Committee, Board of Directors and Coaches who all spent hours developing, reviewing and debating the 2004/2005 season budget. Your dedication to the Club and its players is very much appreciated.

Four years ago, the Club adopted its first budget designed to support professional coaching for our players. To minimize dues increases needed to support the increased costs, significant revenue from contributions, fundraising and events was budgeted, and budgets zeroed out - revenue was budgeted to cover operating costs only.

In the 2004/2005 season revenue budget, we more realistically budgeted contributions and fundraising revenue and designated event net income to provide Club cash reserves. Dues and uniform fees provide 95% of the revenue needed to support budgeted operating expenses of \$345,000. The operating expense budget continues to provide maximum support to coaching (64%), as much support as possible to player costs such as registration, uniforms, league fees, etc. (29%) and minimum to administration (7%).

Dues and uniform costs approved at the Annual General Meeting on June 6, 2004 by the HSC Bulls - Board for the August 1, 2004 - July 31, 2005 season are as follows:

Dues –

- \$525 for U07
- \$625 for U08 - U10
- \$875 for U11 - U15
- \$935 for U16 - U19

Uniform cost –

- \$75 for U07 to U10
- \$110 for U11 and older

In future years, the Club may elect to have the same dues for U11 and older and a two-tiered dues structure for U07 -U10, the same structure used in the Club's 2000/2001 season budget (so much for inventing something new in budgeting!). I also expect more funds will be needed to support administrative needs as less reliance is placed on volunteers. We hope net event income grows to provide a stable base for the Club.

Hawaii International Cup (HIC)

By Michelle Moore

The Honolulu Bulls would like to cordially invite you to attend the Hawaii International Cup Opening



Event and team check-in on Wednesday, July 14th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Kapiolani Bandstand in Waikiki. The event is within convenient walking distance from Waikiki hotels. The evening will include a delicious Hawaiian luau dinner, local entertainment and hula performance (performance starts at 5:30 p.m.) The luau menu includes teriyaki chicken, kalua pig with cabbage, steamed rice, fresh pineapple, dinner roll, dessert and beverages. Tickets for this special event are \$15.00 per person and \$10.00 for children 6 and under.

Teams can order tickets by returning the email Michelle sent with the number of people attending from your team; everyone is welcome!

Mail payments to:

HIC Opening Event
PO Box 240277
Honolulu, HI 96824-0277

Reservations must be received by July 7th and payment by July 12th to secure your reservation. Your tickets will be available for pick-up at the event.

Information about the HIC Opening Event is also available online at <http://www.hictournament.com>.

Team Check-In:

Tournament Check-In will be also be held at the HIC Opening Event at Kapiolani Park from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 14th. Tournament participation requires a coach or manager check-in the team during the allotted times.

- U07/U09 4:00 p.m.
- U10/U11 4:30 p.m.
- U12 5:00 p.m.
- U13/U14 5:30 p.m.
- U15/U16 6:00 p.m.
- U17/U19 6:30 p.m.

At check-in, the following items are required:

1. Up-to-date team roster. Up to 6 guest players are allowed. If from Hawaii, a HYSA guest player form must be submitted (see HYSA website).
2. 2003-2004 player passes for all participating athletes.

3. For out of state USYSA teams, approved USYSA travel documentation.

Tournament T-shirts:

Pre-ordered t-shirts will be available for pick up at check-in. Remember it's not too late to order, just click on the t-shirt link on our website, <http://www.hictournament.com>. Tees are white, short-sleeved with the tournament logo/graphics on front, and back.

Shirts are available for pre-order at a discount price of \$12.00 (sizes Youth-L, Adult-S, M, L, XL and XXL).

T-shirts will also be available for purchase during the tournament for \$15.00 each.

Activities in Hawaii:

We have arranged special group pricing for various popular activities here in Paradise. Check them out at <http://www.hawaiian-adventures.com/hic.htm>. Hawaiian Adventures can assist with reservations for nearly any kind of individual or group reservations, so give them a call! Be sure to mention the HIC.

Please contact Michelle, Tournament Coordinator, at (808) 561-4663 or <mailto:bulls-hic@hawaii.rr.com> with any questions.

HSC Bulls Open Tryouts

By Michael Guidry

Below is the tryout schedule for the 2004 - 2005 seasonal year. Below age groups are for the 2004 - 2005 seasonal year and all tryouts are at Kapiolani District Park.

Coaches should be present at the proper time to assist with both their incoming age group and the ones they are passing on.

As with the past six years, all Club players must be at tryouts to be evaluated. If they can not make it, they need to notify their respective 2003 - 2004 coach and manager and their intent as to whether they will be returning or not.

Coaches and managers, please direct all registration questions to Coach Bri at 780-4304 or bulls-bri@hawaii.rr.com.

If there are players that cannot make the tryouts, they can be evaluated at their respective age group training at another time. Please check with your respective coach or manager for training times.

Fields 1, 2 and 3 are the full sized fields between the bathrooms/parking lot and tennis courts. Fields 4 and 5 are between the Waikiki Shell and Diamond Head.

Bulls players – If you have friends or know of players that want to join the HSC Bulls, please invite them to the open tryouts. HYSA players from other clubs will need written permission from their current coach before they can visit the Bulls. Non-HYSA players can join the Bulls at any time throughout the year.

TRYOUT SCHEDULE

Wednesday, July 7th Field 1

- 04:00 p.m. U15/16 boys
- 05:30 p.m. U15/16 girls

Field 2

- 04:00 p.m. U17/18/19 boys
- 05:30 p.m. U17/18/19 girls

Field 3

- 04:00 p.m. U13/14 boys
- 05:30 p.m. U13/14 girls

Thursday, July 8th Field 1

- 04:00 p.m. U11/12 boys
- 05:30 p.m. U11/12 girls

Field 2

- 04:00 p.m. U07/08 boys and girls
- 05:30 p.m. U09/10 boys and girls

Field 3

- 04:00 p.m. U13/14 boys
- 05:30 p.m. U13/14 girls

Friday, July 9th Field 4

- 04:00 p.m. U11/12 boys
- 05:30 p.m. U11/12 girls

Field 5

- 04:00 p.m. U07/08 boys and girls
- 05:30 p.m. U09/10 boys and girls

Saturday, July 10th Field 4

- 09:00 a.m. U17/18/19 boys
- 10:30 a.m. U17/18/19 girls
- 12:00 p.m. U15/16 boys
- 01:30 p.m. U15/16 girls
- 03:00 p.m. U13/14 boys
- 04:30 p.m. U13/14 girls



Field 5

09:00 a.m. U07/08 boys & girls
10:30 a.m. U09/10 boys & girls
12:00 p.m. U11/12 boys
01:30 p.m. U11/12 girls

Keiki Bulls Recreation League

The Keiki Bulls announces its registration for the fall 2004 season for boys and girls who are 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 year old players.

Staff coaches provide two sessions a week. Training will be at Waiialae Iki Park (Kalani side) on Thursdays from 4:30 p.m. to about 6:00 p.m. Games will be at Manoa District Park on Friday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to about 8:00 p.m.

Sessions start Thursday, August 12 and run for eight weeks. Cost is \$60 and includes the instructional program, two T-shirts and HYSA fees. More to follow.

Sounds Familiar (or great minds think alike)

By Ken Perske

Nick Roberts, professional player and coach from Manchester, England, previous assistant coach for the Columbus Crew and currently with the Santa Rosa Soccer Club, was recently interviewed in SOCCER JOURNAL magazine and I thought you might ponder two of his comments.

When asked how he defined a championship team, he replied, "excellent players, committed to winning and playing within a system that has to be taught through good coaching." Very timely comments considering our U19 Boys have just won the Far West Regionals, most of who have developed through DOC Neddo's system of playing the beautiful game.

Coach Roberts' other comment was that "in the youth game the focus should be on player development:" therefore, developing a team and players over a long period (many years) should be the goal. The goals should not always be related to winning, but also winning should not be discounted. Clearly, over that period there should be increased performance of individuals and the

team that leads the player and team development."

The commitment, dedication and hard work of the players and coaching staff for the U19 boys has paid off and has raised the bar for all of the younger Bulls players coming up through the ranks.

All aBOARD

By Ken Perske

The Club's Annual General Membership meeting was held recently with one order of business being the election of new Board members. Each year 5 board seats become available to those wanting to get involved at this level. Congratulations to the two newest Board members; William Meheula and Mike Stollar for being elected to the Board for the next two years. Their contributions will be invaluable.

Congratulations to Katy Bourne, Les Aubrey (Keiki Bulls Commissioner/ Newsletter) and Karen Ehrhorn (Treasurer) for running again and reelection to the Board for another two year's showing their commitment to the Club. Mahalo for your continued commitment to youth development.

Mahalo to Alan Uehara who also ran for the Board. Alan has agreed to help our Treasurer. The Board thanks him for his support, belief and commitment to our youth. In case you are unaware, the remaining members on the Board are Miles Tsuruoka (Secretary/Webmaster), Mike Watson (Special Events), Ken Perske (President), Larry Stenek (Nominating Committee) and Bill Brennan (Communications). These 10 members provide representation from all age groups in the Club.

The Board is committed to keeping the Club fiscally sound and to the Club's mission statement promoting player development.

Thanks go out to Keona Leong and Alan Yokoyama for their service and board membership for the past two years. Their input was invaluable and the Club wishes them the best in their future endeavors.

2004 HIC Tournament Update

The following is a list of the out of state teams that will be attending the HIC:

U-19 Girls

ACC Mersey Hot Shots Berkeley CA
Gorrila Soccer WA
Irvine Lasers Irvine CA
North Hills Granada CA

U-17 Girls

Lady Demons Oak Hill VA

U-16 Girls

Millwood Warriors Edmonton Canada
Wolfpack S.C. Huntington Beach CA
Cali Chicas Los Altos CA

U-15 Girls

En Fuego Tucson AZ

U14 Girls

Blue Lightning Hilltown PA
Arsenals Newcastle DE
Lady Patriots Anchorage AK

U12 Girls

Stars Northridge CA

U11 Girls

TC United Potterville CA

U19 Boys

United Oak Hill VA

U14 Boys

S. Bay Soccer Club Venice CA

U12 Boys

RB Renegades San Diego CA
Green Bay Thunder Green Bay WI

Trivia, but not trivial!

By Ken Perske

Congratulations to Geena Fong, Anuhea Gillis and Kelli Kaneta for answering last month's trivia question correctly. Their prize is "in the mail."

Name the champions in each league.

The correct answers were:

Serie A	AC Milan
Ligue 1	Lyon
Bundesliga	Werder Bremen
Eridivisie	Ajax
EPL	Arsenal
La Liga	Valencia

If I am not mistaken, so far the young ladies in the Club have answered every trivia question.

Guys, where are you?