

Phantom Lake Soccer Club

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Phantom Lake Soccer Club Parents,

Welcome to another season of soccer fun! Each year we have close to 500 children register for the soccer season. The executive has been busy with the operations of the club.

START DATE: Regular season play will begin May 6th with Squirts. Squirts play once a week. All other divisions play twice a week.

EQUIPMENT: All players must have **Shin Guards** and the guards must be completely covered with long socks. Soccer shoes are recommended but runners are fine. No sandals will be allowed on the field. The soccer club will provide soccer jerseys. Jewelry and all body piercings must be removed before playing. These cannot be worn or taped over, with the exception of Medic Alert tags. **If your child does not have the proper equipment or comply with the rules, they will not be allowed to play.** (If you require assistance in finding equipment please contact the club as we are collecting used shoes and shin pads)

SPORTSMANSHIP AND FUN: These are the priorities of the Soccer Club. All players should be played as equally as possible and in an environment that is harassment-free. You are urged to caution your children that **verbal/physical abuse of players, coaches, teammates, referees, will not be tolerated.** Unsportsmanlike behaviour will be dealt with immediately by the executive:

1st offence - Ejection from the game plus a minimum of one extra game suspension(s).

2nd offence - Suspension for the remainder of the season.

If, at any time during the season, your child has any problems, speak to your coach first. If it is not resolved, contact Tyler Kittle at 687-6616, or contact the Phantom Lake Soccer Club Executive.

DIVISIONS & FIELDS: The breakdown for each division for the 2011 season is as follows:

DIVISION	FIELD	DAYS
BUMBLEBEE: Born in 2007 or 2008	PHANTOM LAKE	SATURDAYS AM
SQUIRTS: Born in 2005 or 2006	PHANTOM LAKE	FRIDAYS
DIVISION 1: Born in 2003 or 2004	PHANTOM LAKE	MONDAY & WEDNESDAY
DIVISION 2: Born in 2001 or 2002	FOSTER PARK	TUESDAY & THURSDAY
DIVISION 3: Born in 1999 or 2000	CREIGHTON	MONDAY & WEDNESDAY
DIVISION 4: Born in 1997 or 1998	CREIGHTON	TUESDAY & THURSDAY
DIVISION 5: Born in 1993, 1994, 1995 or 1996	FOSTER PARK	MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

BIRTH CERTIFICATES: These are required to confirm birthdates of players for insurance purposes. Only new players will be required to present a copy of a birth certificate at registration. This information will be kept on file and once on file, will not be required again.

REFEREES: We have been working very hard to build up our referee program. We have many young referees who are learning and who are our future. Please **DO NOT** harass any of the referees.

ORANGE DAYS: Your coach will assign a day for you to take oranges to the game. Six to eight cut up oranges is usually enough, depending on team size. If you cannot make your assigned date, please arrange to trade with another parent.

WATER BOTTLES: Each child should take a bottle of water to the games. Not pop or juice.

CLEAN-UP: Please clean up any litter you see on or around the field. There are garbage cans at the side of the fields.

ATTENDANCE: If your child cannot attend a game, the coach should be notified. It is frustrating for the coaches to give up their time, and not have a game due to shortage of players. **Please be courteous and notify your coach!**

NON-SMOKING: The soccer areas are non-smoking areas. Please do not smoke on or near the fields or stands.

PETS: Pets are not allowed at the soccer fields.

PARKING: Parking adjacent to the fields is sometimes limited. Please refer to the maps for where to park. Phantom lake field is now a one way system.

OTHER SAFETY ISSUES: Parents, please make sure your children are supervised at the field. If you are unable to stay for the game, please ensure that another parent/friend is responsible in the event that your child is injured. Please keep smaller children off the field and away from any areas where they may be injured. Do not let children hang on the goal posts. Do not let your children play with the lime used to mark the field, as this is not safe.

FUNDRAISING: The money that is raised by the club goes toward the payment of player insurance, referee costs, field development and the purchase of uniforms and equipment. Although we recognize that fundraising is sometimes an unpleasant task, it is an important part of raising money to allow our club to continue to operate. Each parent has to sign up for a volunteer position and post dated a volunteer cheque. ***These are two separate items required by the club.***

CHOCOLATES: Must be pre-paid. We have a buy-out option, so if you don't want to sell chocolates you can pay the \$30 and opt out.

VOLUNTEERING: **If you have signed up for volunteering and have not completed your volunteer hours by early June, it is your responsibility to contact the volunteer co-ordinator about fulfilling your volunteer hours. Volunteer cheques will be cashed on October 1, 2011 for people who have not completed their volunteer hours.** You have until November 31, 2011 to contact the soccer executive if there was an exceptional circumstance that prevented you from fulfilling your volunteer commitment. We don't want your money as much as we want your assistance in completing the many jobs that are required to make a soccer league run smoothly for the players.

GAMES CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER: Games are only cancelled in extreme weather conditions. In chilly or rainy weather, games will be played. It is parental discretion whether or not you take your child. If you are not taking your child please call your coach. If a game is cancelled your coach is responsible for contacting you so please make sure that they have your current contact numbers.

We hope your children have a great soccer season, improve their skills and most importantly, have fun!

The Phantom Lake Soccer Club Executive