



FC Legacy Fall 2016 Newsletter

The Fall Outdoor Soccer season is well underway and we are hopeful that the Fall weather will quickly follow! Please read the information contained within this newsletter to stay abreast of what is happening within the club.

FC Legacy Annual Meeting and Fall Kick-Off Picnic

The club hosted its Annual Meeting and Fall Kick-Off Picnic at the Dan Kinney Family Center and Park on Saturday, August 13, 2016. The FC Legacy membership elected four new members to the Board of Directors: Stephanie Doran, Melissa Liehr, Christy Skouby and Andy Steinmann. They began their 3-year terms on Sunday, September 11. Thank you for supporting the membership, players and soccer community in this way. The picnic that followed the Annual Meeting was a success as well! Great food and friends made for a fun time. A big THANK YOU to those that volunteered and made it possible ---Julie and Chris Arroyo, Stephanie Doran, Melissa and John Liehr, and Mark and Samantha Sellers. The next Annual Meeting will be in August 2017.

Practice Fields at Cy Sports

The decision to utilize the fields at Cy Sports for our practices was not made without a lot of thought.

First, access and field quality has been declining at Lake Country for several seasons now. The inconsistent mowing of the Cedarbrook fields coupled with the poor drainage made it difficult to teach players proper technique and get them prepared for a game surface. Regular closures made scheduling a real challenge. The surfaces of the North fields and Cooper 2 and 3 had become so bad that we had several players miss games due to sprained ankles from the field surface.

Second, having teams spread all over Springfield so that we could practice in daylight made it difficult to have a consistent coaching development program. Having everyone in the same location means that the entire coaching staff can interact more often with improved results for your players.

Third, we are able to store goals and other equipment meaning that every coach has access to anything they might need for a session. This is a vast improvement over having to cart gear all over in a vehicle and lug it to the field each time.

There is no location in Springfield or the surrounding area that will be ideal for everyone. We understand that this creates an inconvenience for some of you and is great for those living on the south side of town. If we weren't convinced that this would improve our ability to teach the game, we would not have moved the club to CY.

Parents Expectations

On our website (FCLegacy.org) there is a tab that you may access from the home page called “Parent Expectations”. We would like to encourage **all** FC Legacy parents to read this and think about how your words and actions affect your player(s) and their teammates.

Uniform Kits, Loaner Jerseys and More

Players U9 and older (1998-2008 birth years) should now have a full uniform kit for the Fall season. If you have borrowed a club jersey(s), then please be sure to return them as soon as your kit arrives. There are circumstances where loaner jerseys are needed, so please return your loaner jersey as soon as possible.

There are a handful of players that haven't picked up their 2016-17 practice t-shirts. Please let us know if your player still needs one.

If you have a goalkeeper looking for gloves, the club still has some custom gloves available in white (\$60) or in black (\$35; 2 pair for \$60) --- both are professional gloves with the FC Legacy logo.

All questions regarding jersey, practice t-shirts, and goalie gloves should be directed to Jill Sellers.

Club Committees

There are PLENTY of opportunities for parents to get involved with FC Legacy. The Board of Directors oversees a group of committees that help the club function. The committees are chaired by a Board member and welcome all parents to participate. The committees are as follows: Communications, Competition, College Recruitment, Finance, Futsal Tournament, Policy, Social/Community Outreach, and Uniform/Fanwear. If you are interested in knowing more or would like a detailed description of what each committee does, then please email or call Jill Sellers (jillsellers.fclegacy@gmail.com; 218-209-1514).

Winter Activities for FC Legacy Players

For the first time, we are offering a “camp day” during the winter in which your player will have the opportunity to work on problem areas and develop new skills. The tentative day for this is **Saturday, December 10, 2016**, and will be held at the Branson Convention Center.

FC Legacy would like to encourage participation in futsal during the winter. It is an excellent way to continue footskill development and keep players engaged in the game. However, the indoor game on the walled, Coca-Cola, field is very risky. There are many injuries each winter due to contact with the wall and for this reason, the club will only be coaching futsal teams this winter. High school aged players will be able to play on futsal teams this winter.

The club plans to participate in a new futsal league at Cy Sports. The league will likely run from November 2016 to February 2017 and will be open to teams of all ages. Come experience the new sport court and enjoy the excitement of futsal!

For U14 players (birth year 2003) and younger, session I futsal at Lake Country Soccer (Jan-March 2017) is available and registration will open soon. The club will not participate in Session IV soccer (Nov-Dec 2016) because the quality of play and the busy time of year make it less beneficial to our players.

Additional details will be forthcoming regarding these winter activities, yet wanted to make sure you had a “heads up” so you can start planning.

SAVE THE DATE: The FC Legacy Futsal Tournament will be held at the Branson Convention Center from January 6-8, 2017!! If you have not experienced this event, then you will not want to miss it this year!! Mark your calendar, register your player(s) on time, and be ready to have fun!

Please do not hesitate to contact the Club with questions or concerns you may have.

For questions about Club structure and policies, uniforms, please contact

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