



Presidents Report 2022-2023      April 4, 2023

This past weekend, after 3 years, we were able to host our League Cup Finals again at Burnaby Lake. It was quite the crazy day with all kinds of different weather but it turned out to be a great day as the Soccer games were contested in great sportsmanship and the games were exciting. We celebrated with the teams as they enjoyed some post game beverages and listened to all the chatter that goes with a fun day on the pitch. Thanks to everyone who helped to realise our finals for this season. Thanks to those members from BC Soccer who were able to attend and enjoy the day.

Our season again had it's share of challenges as we again dealt with closures due to weather. Most Divisions were able to finish their scheduled games but we ran out of time for some groups to get all the games in. There were many meeting this season regarding rule changes and there are a few to be discussed and voted on at this year's AGM.

We were able to host our 'Intro to Soccer ' clinics and look forward to growing the program next year with Goalkeeper training to be included or to have continuing Keeper training throughout the coming season

We had a busy year again with dealing with 40 Red cards and 375 Yellow Cards . The Discipline Committee had to meet weekly to deal with the many ejections and double yellow situations. This is a staggering amount of time to deal with during the season and we hope to see this trend down for the coming season.

I would say a big thanks to our amazing Executive group for their support this year. Jo-Dee, I hope you know how much you meant to the members and to us on the Board. Thank you for all you do. Emad and Leslie, our Ref Scheduler and our League Scheduler, thank you for all your input this year and look forward to keeping our great relationship with you moving forward.

A final thanks to all the Players. Coaches and Managers for doing your best to Stay Safe and to continue to respect the Referees that keep our league running. I wish you all a healthy summer and look forward to seeing some of you at the Provincial Cup.

All the best to you

Albert Stewart

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