



Presidents Report

It was an exciting season last year for the League. Many great games played and some fun things to look forward to in the coming season. We are working hard to insure that the coming season is the best it can be. We continue to value the input from the many players and coaches that have reached out with concerns or comments. Our use of surveys has also helped to shape the future of our League. Thanks to all that have taken part.

This year we have instituted Golden Boot winners for all Divisions and will continue the program moving forward. Our League Cup Finals day saw great weather and 14 games played on the final Sunday. The beer garden was well attended but we did not realize how many would take advantage of the party and we ran short of beverages on the day. The sun certainly helped and we will do better next time if we expect good weather for the day.

We had an exciting Provincial run with the finals being held in Victoria. Congrats to Coquitlam Metro Ford for their win in the Masters over 30's and to Surrey United Premier for their 15th Provincial win in the last 19 years. With the Westerns and Nationals both being held in Surrey this year, I hope that everyone can try to make it out to support our local teams in September and October.

Discipline was a very time-consuming process this season and we always hope that there will be less for the new year, but as always, the game is played with passion and sometimes it can be difficult to control emotions at the moment. Please try to remember that we are all humans and that the Referees are there to officiate and abuse will not be tolerated at any level. Respect for players, staff and officials should always be at the fore front of everyone mind as the season continues.

We are fortunate to have a fantastic group of volunteers that work tirelessly on our Board of Directors. I am always so appreciative of the time they put in to make the season run smoothly. Our Board is looking for new voices to join us this coming year as we are saying goodbye to a couple of long-standing members. Thank you to Cindy and Toni for all the time you have dedicated to this League. With that being said, we are looking to add an important new Director to take over the Treasure's position for the new season. There are also other opportunities to assist us as a Director this year. Please consider these as only our members can help us to make the Board work smoothly.

As always Jo-Dee is the glue that holds our League together and her work cannot be understated or appreciated enough. Thank you and you know how I feel about your professionalism that you bring to this sometimes-difficult job. As always, please feel free to reach out to myself at anytime if you have concerns and I look forward to seeing many great games this coming season.

Thank you for considering me for another term,

Regards

Albert Stewart – President.