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Aloha to all.

As all of you have seen on the schedule, here within the last few weeks of MYSL is a playoff / seeded type ending which even starts this week for U12 boys and U4 girls. With this, a new schedule will come out Wednesday afternoon at the latest. There are a few ties (this is great showing the even keel of competitiveness amongst our Maui players). This will all be sorted out and reported to you soon.

Thanks for being a part of the inaugural MYSL season. It has been fun to watch. Rivalries are starting to come to the forefront. Some great soccer is being played. The kids are the beneficiaries of all this work. Though HYSA is right now with registration to the upcoming season, unless there is a major hang up with C/C, MYSL Spring Season will soon be advertised heavily with its sign-ups et al for soccer between March to June.

Mahalo's again everyone.

Adam T. Kenagy, President

6 Sep 2008

Aloha to all once again.

I again applaud all of you for your work and dedication to the kids of Maui through soccer. 500 + kids = 12 different clubs, 43 different teams. FANTASTIC GANG!

As promised, here is an additional write-up with schedule attached. Again, I will be at Wailuku Community Center for question and answers for anyone who needs it or wants to talk. Not mandatory to show-up since e-mailing and calling can probably answer a lot of questions also. Shucks, operations is going to be pretty straight forward: play games at designated times on behalf of Maui kids.

The new league's direction and desire was to become better and more improved. I like to call it "Maui's newest yet most experienced soccer entity." Mostly, and immediately, your concerns and requests of a few things have been addressed with this our first season. We are now age and gender appropriate. A Directorship giving all our regions and areas a voice through their own membership has been established. That this Directorship be "Service Oriented" to you as you service your clients: the kids and their parents. This has been accomplished in being flexible with reggng actually taking it to the extent of actually not even having charged any late fees for this our first year. YEAH!!!!

Finally, to improve on all the great aspects of Fall soccer one thing at a time. The accomplishment that we are very happy about is U-10 goals. U-19 will also be playing with these goals. But, at least our U-10's are thought of and acted upon re: this aspect of operations. Finally, medals will be given to at least the 1st and 2nd place squads of each division. So, if you are in these games at the end, please plan accordingly for presentation after game.

Now for the operations stuff:

1. Please review to be sure all is good with the scheduling. With this being our first schedule attempt, if you see anything wrong i.e. double scheduling, time conflicts, et al, please do not hesitate to call on me directly. We will listen and then see what can be done pending your request.
2. Blue highlights are that of boys. Pink highlights are that of girls.
3. Field numbering is listed at the top of page one. Game field assignment is right next to your game listing.
4. Scheduling will be different than before. It is actually that of tournament style in most places: Play at least a first round. Next set of games is more competitive by arranging appropriately by recognizing standing records at that point in time.
5. With so many playing, it is imperative that all games start on time. If they don't, it will be up to the refs to adjust time according if necessary. Or, forfeit may be automatic. 5 players minimum to start for U-10 and U-19 divisions play. 7 min for U-12's and U-14's. Number, i.e "30 - 7" next to age group identification is indicator for minutes per half and minutes to half-time.
6. Game cards with players info's are now a magnificent thing. No longer are cards needed with Game Card. All this info is simply one page: pictures and all. I want to congratulate Marco Paredes for making contributed ideas a reality with this aspect. I believe you will be loving the new presentation to this part of operations: one piece of paper.
7. Tie-breakers = head-to-head, Goal Differential, playoff if can, Coin Flip.
8. Rainy Day Call. If you think weather is an issue, call my office at 875-4450 by 6:30 AM. Fields will be checked by then and all can access info off my voicemail for game conditions should they need attention.
9. If for whatever reason games need to be cancelled, they will be made up the following Sunday at same time.
10. Home teams are first listed team. You are responsible for game ball and changing of jerseys if necessary.
11. For the U-19's, the game is like indoor or futsal: fast paced, small field (70'ish by 50). No offsides, no slide tackling. Slide tackling is actually totally prohibited. Coaches, please explain this to your players and

enforce. Slide tackling will result in automatic Red Card Ejection.

12. Honor the officials assigned to your games. We will have them be accountable. However, accountability comes with experience and teaching. Even the best miss some. Stay calm and cool. Team Managers and Coaches, keep your parents in line. Please control the unnecessary actions and voicings that we all know distract and disturb kids negatively. If felt necessary by ref's, they will address with you privately on the side-line. Help us keep everything on the positive side of fun and joy in playing soccer.

13. To date, U-19's will play up to 11/1. Great to have this division for desirous aged players. MIL starts soon thereafter thus yielding this ending date for that age division. Yields a 7 game season.

14. Concept altogether was to provide min of 7 - 8 games within a 9 week period. End is with championship games only giving 8 - 9 games.

15. Lastly, if anyone is interested, since we have Luana Gardens for all our activities, thus a captive audience on Saturday's, if anyone is interested in game day concessions, please let us know. We will have to check with Maui High School to feasibility as they actually own the land of Luana Gardens. But, this could be a great way for clubs to raise money on Saturday's with 500 kids + their siblings and parents on site also. That's a lot of people to sell things to and make money for your group and cause.

That's it gang. Again, congratulations on all your hard work. MYSL is here for you. This is "OUR" league collectively. Contribute, participate, all with passion for the game and sportsmanship for everyone.

Mahalo's big time.

Adam for the MYSL Directorship