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Fremont Youth Soccer Leagues – Strategic Framework

Fremont Youth Soccer League's strategy aims to provide the overall strategic framework for soccer development of our players.

A Strategic Framework

Fremont Youth Soccer League's Club Development Plan aims to provide the overall strategic framework for the development of your players, parents, coaches & club.

The FYSL Club Development Plan covers the following areas:

- Structured program for player development
- Evaluation of players within our club
- Coach Education
- Parent Education

Recruitment of players and coaches

The strategy can only be implemented effectively if it is supported by a sound infrastructure for the delivery of the priorities and programs.

FYSL currently has some of the best youth coaches in the area and with your help we can implement this strategy.

FYSL very much operates under the principle that, "development of the individual player takes precedence over winning in the younger program" and "This work is very important for the game of tomorrow".

The better job we do in the development of quality players at the youth level, the more accomplished high school, ODP, collegiate and professional players will burst onto the scene as well players playing in the older age groups. We feel that the development of the complete player is crucial for the advancement of soccer in the United States.

Further Food for thought from a World Champion and World Cup Coach:

Jurgen Klinsmann, former German National Team striker, World Cup Coach and FIFA World Champion on the qualities of a good youth coaching:

"The contents of each training session are important, as is how the coach communicates with the players, speaking in their terms. A German professor who was with the 1990 World cup squad did a study on the stresses and pressure (parents and environment) young players go through. He surmised that children would not develop as well under these conditions as they will when they have a chance to self-explore and the stress and pressure from parents was the contributing factor for them leaving the game at an early age (70% of current youth soccer players in the US will quit before their 14 birthday.)"

Yours in Soccer,

Andrew Donnery
Executive Director
Fremont Youth Soccer League

Fremont Youth Soccer Leagues announce New Partnership with top Youth Academy English Premier League Club Portsmouth



Executive Director of Fremont Youth Soccer Leagues, Andrew Donnery, is proud and excited to announce a working relationship with Youth Academy at English Premier League Club Portsmouth.

This relationship, in conjunction with Adidas, offers the opportunity to link with one of the most highly regarded, respected and professional youth academy in the United Kingdom. The working relationship and link will provide both administrators, players and coaches the opportunity to fulfill their ambitions and dreams.

Enhanced global opportunities at the highest levels for all within Soccer. Fantastic learning benefits and potentials will exist as the global game becomes closer for all associated with Fremont Youth Soccer Leagues.

Exchanging experiences & ideas with some of the best practitioners' in the modern game for the benefit of all at Fremont

Andrew Donnery's experience of soccer around the world and contacts has linked with Portsmouth Youth Academy Assistant Manager Paul Smalley who is responsible for player & coach development and of course the development of the next premiership star

Andrew suggested that "We feel that Paul and Portsmouth FC Academy are going to be an integral part, impetus and critical for us in the development of our players and coaches from the U4 age groups in the Academy to our U19 players. The coaching & development values instigated by Paul are something we clearly want to be a part of.

Paul's experience and expertise of youth development throughout the world is integral in providing the impetus for our own associations strategies"

The new relationship will greatly enhance the benefits we can offer our current administrators, coaches, athletes & new players. We are constantly striving to raise the standards throughout Fremont Youth Soccer Leagues

The opportunity with support to identify and recruit potential players who are within the Fremont infrastructure who possess the ability to train and play at the highest level in England

The opportunity to offer a developmental pathway for potential players who are with the Fremont Club

The objectives are to:

Provide players with excellent soccer challenges and development pathways
To have one of our very own players realize their dream, ambitions and reach the highest level of soccer in the world
Provide coaches with excellent soccer experiences and supplementary learning benefits

To demonstrate the relationship and Portsmouth commitment to empowering people, the education & development of coaches and players

Fremont Youth Soccer Leagues is hosting a coaches education & development program conducted by Paul Smalley.

The dates are as follows:

Saturday June 6th & Sunday June 7th

The coach development program will consist of:

English academy coaching
Coaching values
Coaching integrities
Academy specific age group development U4-U8, U9-U11, U12-U14, U15-U17, U18-U21
What will the coach look like in the future?



Have your say

Would you like to see a topic posted or have an article placed in the onside news?

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Stereotyping youngsters by position

It's unfair for a coach to say, "No, you can't play striker, you're a fullback" or "Why do you want to switch? You're doing fine at right midfield." Children constantly are changing, each at different rates. Some are growing into their bodies, while others are growing more awkward by the minute. Some suddenly become more aggressive, while others begin to lag in the capability to visualize the entire field at once. For a coach to label players as capable of playing only one position harms them developmentally and harms the team tactically. A coach must be willing to take risks with his/her players. If the midfielders are having a problem keeping together during a game, the coach must be able to look down the bench and give someone else a try or switch with someone who's playing another position on the field. Certainly in a runaway game, a coach must be willing to move players around with abandon. If you're up by several goals, it may help to keep the score down; if you're down by a few, what's the harm in trying something different?

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FC Fremont and MVU Partnership

Many of you have probably heard rumors of new things happening in Fremont soccer. The story begins December 2007 when select members of the board began meeting with independent professional soccer consultants. The focus of these meetings was to develop and implement training programs for all FC Fremont players, with focus on improving technical ability and overall play. In recent months, we began the process of reorganizing FC Fremont to better serve our members, with a long term goal of developing a professionally run club.

One topic discussed over the year was the renaming of the club. After months of discussion, the board decided to vote on renaming the competitive program in order to attract talent throughout the Mission Valley region, and to signify the new direction of the club. Based on member feedback, the board decided that the house and instructional leagues would remain FC Fremont.

In order to move the competitive program to the level needed to compete, we feel it is important to redesign our current program, and in turn, this would allow us to explore new avenues. This venture and these discussions have been conducted by the FC Fremont Board in order to improve comp soccer in this town. FC Fremont could have easily gone on as we were but we believe that taking the competitive program in a new direction is fundamentally the right thing to do.

Expected benefits of the new direction:

- Increased sponsorship potential
- Increased player pool
- Increased high quality coaching staff
- Greater influence on the local government for facility improvements
- Potential of partnership with professional clubs

We truly believe this is a great opportunity.

We intend to provide an environment in which players, parents, and coaches are proud to be associated with our club. We believe in open communication and try to ensure that everyone has fun, works hard and enjoys each season. The object is to provide our players and parents with an extremely positive experience while building strong soccer players and playing competitive soccer.

More information will follow in the next few weeks and months. To help answer some questions that may arise we have put together the following questions:

What is the new competitive program name?

The new name for the competitive program within FC Fremont will be Mission Valley United. We have also developed a new logo and have selected new colors.

Why the new Hi-comp name?

To become the best option for all talent in the Tri-City area and beyond, we felt it was essential that the name include more than just Fremont, but still encompass the region we represent. We will also be able to attract new and exciting soccer opportunities outside the city limits.

What will happen to FC Fremont recreation soccer?

FC Fremont will remain the name of the recreation soccer program for the Fremont Youth Soccer Leagues. FC Fremont will cover the following ages U5-U18 House & Academy.

What will the structure look like?

The club will be managed by an Executive Director like many other successful clubs. Andrew Donnery will be the Executive Director of FC Fremont and the competitive program named Mission Valley United. The Executive Director will oversee the day-to-day business of the club, including budgeting, planning and personnel management. He will also participate in fundraising activities and be a primary contact between the Club and other local, state and national soccer clubs and organizations. Ricky Clarke will be the Director of coaching of Mission Valley United program.

You can read further information at www.missionvalleyunited.com

Fremont Youth Soccer – New Beginning

With the continued growth and success of our soccer programs in mind, the Fremont Board has taken the initiative to form a team of experts to help us stay focused and organized and, to enable our club to move to the next level. Successful clubs have a well defined organizational structure, detailed player and coach development programs, and excellent administration.

In November, the Fremont board of directors passed a motion to hire an Executive Director on a long term contract. We are pleased and excited to announce that Andrew Donnery has accepted this position. The mandate of our Executive Director is to develop the travel and house programs of our club, and make soccer available to all youth in the Fremont area. We now have started the process of building our team of experts to help guide our club.

The first step in this initiative was to hire a director of coaching. Ricky Clarke has accepted the Director of coaching position for Mission Valley United on a long term contract.

"I intend to provide an environment in which players, parents, and coaches are proud to be associated with our club. The object is to provide our players and parents with an extremely positive experience while building strong soccer players and playing competitive soccer", said Clarke.

"We are extremely excited to have Andrew and Ricky join us in their positions. They bring a wealth of business and soccer experience," said Steve Harrington, Fremont President. "This is a significant step in moving the Club to the next level."

"We were fortunate to have a person as qualified as Andrew, who's background is unique and is a very good match to the roles and responsibilities required to run our club. He will allow us to better manage the day-to-day business of the Club, and will help in the development of better programming to all our members,"

"My role will help decrease the responsibilities on our board members and other volunteers as it relates to the day to day operations of the club", said Donnery. "I am very excited about the possibilities and opportunities we have at Fremont".

Andrews' responsibilities as Executive Director will be to oversee the day-to-day business of the club, including budgeting, planning and personnel management. He will also participate in fundraising activities and be a primary contact between the Club and other local, state and national soccer clubs and organizations.

This Month's Soccer Q&A

Q:Do you have any tips for pre-season?

Top ten tips for team building in the pre-season

Tip number 1: Ensure team members' roles are clear to them and that each

Tip number 2: Make the team distinctive

Tip number 3: Ask high status team members to make sacrifices for the team

Tip number 4: Encourage communication and listening within the team

Tip number 5: Develop pride within sub-sections of the team

Tip number 6: Identify and break up cliques

Tip number 7: Set team Goals

Tip number 8: Know something personal about each team member

Tip number 9: Know the common barriers to team cohesion

Tip number 10: Keep in mind that team building is a continuous process

EYE ON IT Soccer News

The David Beckham saga took another twist tonight when Los Angeles Galaxy coach Bruce Arena insists the England midfielder is expected back in the United States next week.



But Beckham's team mates don't seem to share their coach's certainty that he'll return to LA when his AC Milan loan spell expires.

Despite speculation that an agreement was close between the Galaxy and AC Milan to allow Beckham to stay on loan with the Italian club until mid-July, the former Manchester United player was named in the Major League Soccer club's 24-man roster for the forthcoming season, which starts later this month.

Beckham, who wants to stay in Italy's Serie A, is due back in LA when his two-month loan agreement with Milan expires and Arena told the Los Angeles Times today that nothing had altered as far as he was concerned.

"There's nothing that's been stated publicly that he's leaving," Arena said. "No-one has said he's leaving. We've been consistent from the start. We have players out on loan. We expect them to be back on March 9.

Things to do Monthly Picks

Competitive Tryouts

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