



NEWSLETTER

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4th Annual Club Awards Night Success

Surrey United's vision is to be more than a soccer club, by being a community leader, providing a safe, inclusive and encouraging environment for all members to achieve their full potential.

Our most favourite evening of the year is fast approaching. On Sunday, February 23rd, 2020 our 4th annual Awards Night will be held at the Grand Taj Banquet Hall at 8388 128 St in Surrey (*note this new location for 2020*) from 6pm-8pm. This event is free of charge for all member of all ages and their families. This year, our keynote speaker is Peter Schaad a well-known TV and Radio soccer commentator for the Whitecaps FC, the MLS and TSN. Aside from our keynote speaker, we will be joined by many SUSC sponsors, executive and staff and local political representatives. We will present our Club award winners with their awards, as voted by the membership, in the following categories and of course, the event we all look forward to, the Surrey United Soccer Club video of the year.

2020 Surrey United Soccer Club video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7tj3ynTLMzU>

IMPORTANT DATES

Spring Program Registration
Open Now Online

Education Seminar Series
March 2, 2020

Clubhouse Opening Day
March/April 2020

Annual General Meeting
March 30, 2020

U11 – U18 Evaluations
March/April 2020

SGU Metro Evaluations
Starting March 1, 2020

TS3 Tournament
June 7, 2020

**Youth Nations Cup
Tournament**
July 10-12, 2020

2020-2021 Photo Days
Oct 23-25, 2020

COACH EDUCATION

Contact Nick Perugini our Assistant Technical Director and Learning Facilitator or see dates of available coaching courses at: www.coachcentre.ca

2020 Award Recipients

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New Referee of the Year	Simran Lally
Referee of the Year	Carson Messmer
Manager of the Year	Norma & Chris Walters
Coach of the Year	Mike Woode
Gus Beck Club Volunteer of the Year	Oliver Villagran
Community Award	Operations Support Committee
Sponsor of the Year	Envision Financial
Girl Player of the Year (U13-U18)	Halle Owen
Boy Player of the Year (U13-U18)	Mattias Anderson
Adult Female Player of the Year	Tara Phillips
Adult Male Player of the Year	Bevan Footman
Girls' Team of the Year (U6-U12)	U12 Diamonds
Boys' Team of the Year (U6-U12)	U11 Lazio
Girls' Team of the Year (U13-U18)	U13 Elite
Boys' Team of the Year (U13-U18)	2006 (U14) BC SPL
President's - Inspirational Award of the Year	Brayden Robbins

FEATURE COACH



Name: Tyler Baldock

SUSC Staff Goalkeeping Coach

Time at Surrey United: 10 years

When he is not coaching, he spends his time with family and friends

Most Memorable Surrey United Moments watching the youth goalkeepers develop within their programs and seeing many earn soccer scholarships at their respected post-secondary institutions.

EDUCATION SEMINAR SERIES

Our final seminar series for the season will held in the Clubhouse on Monday March 2, 2020 from 6:15pm-7:00pm. We will provide information on coaching, refereeing and other opportunities to be involved in the Club. Attendees are provided an opportunity to win a spring registration fee.

GROWING UP IN SURREY UNITED



Matthew Hunger

U6 Firestorm

U18 Firestorm

Favorite Surrey United Moments: Two memories that really stand out were their first place league finish last spring (last photo attached) and when his dad Chris was honoured with a volunteer appreciation award last year for his many years of dedication to assisting and managing Matthew's team.



Surrey United Soccer Club is excited to be hosting the first annual Youth Nations Cup tournament at Cloverdale Athletic Park in Surrey, BC, July 10-12, 2020.

This tournament is intended to support the Adult Nations Cup Tournament that takes place annually in Richmond, BC and as such, follows the same general principles and terms of reference. This youth tournament will give U18 male and females an opportunity to play on a team with others outside of their regular Club team and represent their personal heritage on the pitch at a younger age. The collaboration of the Adult Nations Cup Tournament organizers and Surrey United Soccer Club is intended to ultimately lead to the Youth Nations Cup Tournament players' participation in the Adult Nations Cup Tournament into their adult years.

Space is extremely limited, only space left for four teams as of December 31, 2019. *Look for your upcoming opportunity to volunteer during this special event!*

Youth Tournament Details

Date: July 10-12, 2020

Location: Cloverdale Athletic Park, Surrey, BC

Age Groups: Male U18 (2002 and younger) / Female U18 (2002 and younger)

Player Registration is NOW OPEN:

www.surreyunitedsoccer.com/youthnationscup

Players must register to be eligible for Team evaluations and roster position on any Nation Team.

Check out the tournament social media:



FEATURE PLAYER



Name: Lani Hutton

Team: U6 Penguins

When she is not playing soccer, she plays in the park with her friends, like Gemma.

Most Memorable Surrey United Moments are any time she scores goals!

FEATURE REFEREE



Name: Allie Kaupps

Referee Experience: 2 years

When not refereeing she is playing sports.

Favourite Surrey United memory: scoring 6 goals in a row in her U8 season.

Surrey United Soccer Coach Recognition

Each year the Surrey United Soccer Club recognizes and celebrates managers and coaches who have been involved with the club at least 10 years. The Club recognized 14 managers and coaches at our Awards Night this year for their long-term service to the Club.



Top row (L to R): Dennis Williams (presenter / past President), Sandeep Bains, Dave Stewart, Steve Hobson, Ryan Harding
Bottom row (L to R): Oliver Villagran, Mark Dornian, Peter Ramritu, Shan-Marie Pereira, Tara Phillips, Lav Mangat
Missing: Kori Vanderberg, Sean Phoenix, Cathy Jackson, John Thernes.

Team Success in Vegas

Several of our teams competed in Las Vegas through February



The 2005 SGU Boys came away with a win defeated the Netherlands in their final. Our SUSC 2003B BC SPL also won their division with our 2005B BC SPL team competing hard in a very difficult and talent pool.



Check us out on social media:



MEET YOUR EXECUTIVE



Name: Ali Wilkinson, at Large

Position: Executive VP

Time with the Club: 9 years, 2 on the Executive

Outside of Soccer she generally spends her time with her four kids and watching the younger two play their sports.

Most Memorable Surrey United Moments have included watching her oldest daughter's BCSPS games back when the BCSPS was a brand-new league and years later watching her youngest two participate in Future Prospects. Participating in the planning and celebrations of the Club's 50th Anniversary was also a terrific moment but far and away the absolute most memorable was the TS3 Tournament in 2019 and being able to bring Travis' memory into such a special event.

Surrey United Staff Coaches

We are so proud of the coaching staff we have here at Surrey United SC. They are the most reliable, professional and energetic, committed coaches we could ask for. Thank you to all of them for their commitment and the passion they bring to make us what we believe to be the best Club in British Columbia and Canada.



Surrey United Soccer Club Scholarships Applications Now Open

Surrey United Soccer Club has opened its Scholarship Applications for the 2020 year. For all information and to see if you qualify for a post-secondary scholarship please visit our website: www.surreyunitedsoccer.com.



TS3 INSPIRES Tournament Registration LIVE!!

Travis Malcolm Selje born March 5th, 2000, a humble and compassionate son, brother, friend and student athlete. In 2005 at the age of five Travis started playing soccer with Surrey United's mini program. Tragically, while waiting at a red light on his way home from a Surrey United soccer practice on May 3rd, 2017 his vehicle was struck by a driver fleeing a hit and run and he died in hospital two days later.

TS3 stands for Travis Selje and the #3, the jersey he wore proudly while playing for Surrey United BCSPS. You will often see #35 used in Travis' memory as well which represented the day and month of his birthday. Through the TS3 tournament, dedicated to Travis as well as correlated scholarships, Travis' spirit of positivity, dedication and leadership live on. The TS3 Tournament began in 2019 and is hosted annually by Surrey United Soccer Club in support of the Selje family and the soccer community who grieve Travis' loss.

Tournament Registration Details:

Sunday June 7, 2020
U9-U12 Development
3 game friendly tournament
www.ts3inspires.com

Tournament Fees:

Before April 15th, 2020 = \$175.00
After April 15th, 2020 = \$225.00

Volunteer Sign Up:

<https://www.surreyunitedsoccer.com/ts3inspires>



KEEPING GIRLS IN SPORT

We have a few exciting initiatives coming up this spring to bring girls of all ages together for some unique events in order to build a social community of female role models in an effort to retain girls in sport and ensure they continue having fun. These events include:

- University Soccer game nights
- Play N Pizza Nights
- Mentorship opportunities
- Buddy team events

RESPECT IN SPORT



For those spring coaches and managers that do not have their Respect in Sport: Activity Leader certification on file with the club, please watch for an email from: respectinsport@surreyunitedsoccer.com with instructions on how to complete this mandatory course.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Have a great story to share?

Please send submissions with accompanying photos to: newsletter@surreyunitedsoccer.com

Submissions must be received by the 20th day of the month to be considered.

Club website and contact info:
www.surreyunitedsoccer.com

District Cup Results

Congratulations to all Surrey United teams that competed in the District Cup last month. Congratulations to the SUSC teams that came out of their championship games as the Champions: U16B Fury, U14B Enforcers, U18G Heat, U15G Reign, U18B Firestorm and to all other SUSC teams that made it into the final championship game: U15B Impact, U16B Spartans, U17B Venom, U18B SUSC United, U14B Blazers, U15B Lions, U13B Fusion and U17B Rockets. The Club is so proud of the work you all put in this season. Congratulations!



Clubhouse Construction Update

We are weeks away from the new Clubhouse's completion and final occupancy. Looking ahead to an Opening Weekend Celebration in or around the middle of April. If you are wondering what it all looks like in behind those blue tarps facing CAP Field #2, well, we have a sneak peak for you!



WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Joel Waterman

Joel Waterman is currently playing for the Montreal Impact, the first player in history to be drafted by an MLS team from the newly formed Canadian Premier League. We caught up with Joel before the MLS season began to hear how his Surrey United Soccer club days provided a foundation to his soccer career.



How has Surrey United contributed to your overall success? When I first came to SUSC I played one year of metro when I was 15 and the BCSPL came a year after when I was 16. At that time SUSC was the top club not only in the province but all of Canada winning 2 national champions in my U16 and U18 years so obviously our success as an organization helped me get noticed and receive a scholarship to Trinity Western University to continue my career. I still keep in touch with some of the players from my years there and also Jeff Clarke who played a massive role in allowing me to express myself as a player while also sharing memories of his own professional days which I eventually aspired to have in my own career as well.

What do you miss about Surrey United? To be honest I miss winning with the club. Obviously, I've had success in other areas and with other teams in my career but SUSC was so dominant and special, winning two national championships in just three years which was rare. It also goes without saying I miss the relationships and the people that were a part of the organization because to get to the level I'm at now it's impossible to do it alone.

What advice do you have for younger players aspiring to follow in your footsteps? I think when you look at my journey it was a very slow incline to become the player I am today. Obviously, I was blessed to have the lanes open with the BCSPL and then a brand new Canadian premier league to showcase Canadian talent, but at the same time I had to be extremely patient and develop my game over many years. My advice would be to be patient and to never doubt yourself as a player. It's inevitable you're going to fail at some point especially in this profession, but it only takes one yes to get you in the door and whenever you have an opportunity take full advantage of it because it might not come again.



Where did the nickname "Watermania" come from? The nickname to be honest I can't even remember where it came from, but it could've been Jeff Clarke. I know it used to be one of my parents' email addresses so I'm sure a lot of people saw it unfortunately. Not one of my favourites but I guess it would be worse!

