Lions' Den Newsletter

WELCOME TO THE LIONS' DEN!

Welcome to the March edition of the Lions' Den. With spring upon us we are looking forward to friendlies this month and tournament participation next month so pay attention to the chat where we will announce finalized dates so you can plan accordingly!

FUNDRAISING

- RTIC 20/21 season 30oz tumbler
- Bay Lions FSC Youth & Adult washable face masks
- Bay Lions FSC Cooling Towels with team logo
- Bay Lions FSC baseball hats
- Bay Lions FSC Ladies Tank Top*
- Bay Lions FSC Youth & Adult Windbreakers*
- Bay Lions FSC Youth and Adult hoodies*
- Bay Lions FSC Youth and Adult t-shirts*

*items available to purchase through R&L Printing website

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 13-14: Friendly Matches-Opponent and Date TBD
- March 14: Daylight Savings
- March 20-21: Friendly Matches-Opponent and Date TBD
- March 27-April 4: Spring Break-No Practice
- March 27-April 4: Private Sessions Available
- April-May: Tournaments-Dates and Locations TBD

Uniform Update:

- 1st uniform order will be distributed this week, Tuesday and Wednesday.
- 2nd uniform order should be distributed within the next 2 weeks.

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Bay Lions Teams

U10-Blue Team Coach Tomas	U11 – Blue Team Coach Simon	U12 – Blue Team Coach Simon	U12 – White Team Coach Tomas
Daniel D.	Atlas	Alberto	Aaditya
Dylan	Benjamin	Andrew	Anantha
Jeronimo	Dillon	Austin	Baltazar
Lorenzo	Jacob L	Dalton	Cameron
Mario	Jayden	Daniel	Jacob G
Marti	Hayden	Jacob C	Jeffrey
Matthew D	Karthik	Leon	Lucas
Maximus	Kor	Luca M	Luis
Neil	Kory	Marcell	Mateo A
Nicolas	Lucas S	Mateo R	Ryan
Zachary	Martin	Simon	Vibhu
	Matthew	Tomas	
	Nathaniel		1 Spot still available!

Coach Chris and Coach Sam will be assisting all teams.

Team Liaisons

U12 – BLUE	U12- WHITE	U11- BLUE	U10-BLUE
Donna Maturo-Smith	Patricia & Jorge Acevedo	Sandra Brown	Veronica Elias Prieto
Ryan Lane	Oraivis Otero	Liz Hernandez	Elissa Diaz

With friendly matches and tournaments on the horizon, your team liaisons will be instrumental in reaching out to you all to help organize team tents and team snacks and they also serve as a means of communication from the coaches to the parents. Please take a moment to introduce yourselves if you haven't already met them.

Roaring Birthdays

March

Nico (U10) 3/10
Jacob C (U12) 3/17

Bay Lions Giving Back

We'd like to thank all of you both on the front lines and behind the scenes, who helped make our Second Annual Bay Lions Car Wash a huge success. We were able to raise $1870 to donate to our community partner, The Brianne Ashley Stewart Foundation. The kids and the parents all rolled up their sleeves and worked hard together. A good time was had by all!

Our own Coach Anthony made a few big announcements at the car wash. The foundation will once again be holding The Journey Soccer Camp for our club during the upcoming 2021/2022 soccer season. The foundation will also be holding an essay contest for the Bay Lions players. The winner will receive a scholarship from the foundation to pay the registration costs for the 2021/2022 season. Details will follow as we get closer to tryouts!

Coaches' Pitch:

Hello there, parents! Welcome to the March edition of the Lions' Den. We are very excited to announce our club's participation in tournaments for the months of April and May and have a plan in place to make it as smooth of a transition as possible for everyone involved. Please stay tuned for a list of tournament options available to each team, to determine which ones we will be participating in.

During the month of March, it is more important than ever for players to have a high attendance rate. Player development goes hand in hand with attendance, and a missed session or two may have the absentee miss out on important concepts and lessons that may place them at a disadvantage moving forward. Additionally, the Coaching Staff is taking this month to intensely work on player fitness and shape, so that players can be game-ready when their first competition rolls around. Attendance, punctuality, and other discipline components will weigh heavily in the Coach's minds when awarding playing time.

Starting the weekend of March 13th and continuing through the weekend of March 20th, we aim to schedule scrimmages against other teams in preparation for each team's first tournament. Dates, times, and location are still TBD, so stay tuned. We will let you know as soon as we have confirmation from the park as well as our potential opponents.

Last but not least, as we look forward towards tournaments, it is important to keep a couple of things in mind.

(1) Tournaments will most likely be in Naples, and travel accommodations need to be made. We advise each family to start formulating a plan on whether they're interested in staying in hotels, airbnbs, or commuting to and from games. Tournaments are usually structured so that teams play 2 group stage games on Saturdays, and 1 group stage game on Sunday mornings. Depending on how each team does, Semi-Finals and Championship games will be played Sunday afternoons.

(2) As a club, we plan on being proactive, safe, and strict regarding health and safety guidelines before, during, and after games. Players will be required to have masks on before games (up until the start of warm-up), during games if they are on the bench, and after games when heading out. Players that do not have their mask WILL NOT be allowed to participate. We ask parents to help us in communicating these guidelines and leading by example.

(3) Friendly reminder to review the Player and Parent Codes of Conduct, and make sure all points are followed.

All in all, the Coaching Staff is very excited to see the boys back in action, as I'm sure parents and family members are as well. We appreciate the patience and understanding you have all shown throughout the entire season, we know it hasn't been easy. We look forward to having our players showcase their progress and development in the field, while having a united group of parents supporting them from the sidelines. On behalf of the entire Coaching Staff, have a great month of March!

Your Bay Lions FSC Coaching Staff.

A friendly reminder that coaching fees are due each month by the 10th.

Bay Lions Scrimmages:

Bay Lions Social Media:

We encourage all of our Bay Lion families and friends to follow our Bay Lions social media platforms.

https://www.facebook.com/BayLionsFSC/

https://www.instagram.com/baylionsfsc/