



**PacNW Soccer Club  
September 9, 2015 General Membership Meeting  
6:35 – 7:10**

**Board Members Present:** John Wilson, Kaelen Aramaki, Jeff Hemmen, Michelle Taylor, Julie Buckingham and Tom Ament.

**General Membership Meeting Attendance:**

Boys: All teams attending except 04 White, 03 White, 02 Maroon, 01 Maroon, 00 White, 99 Maroon, and 99 White..

Girls: All team attending except 04 Blue, 04 White, 01 Blue, 99 Blue, 99 White, 98 White, and 97 Blue.

All teams not attending are assessed a fine of \$50.

**Welcome and call to order:** 6:35

**Introduction** - John Wilson, President

**TD's Report** - Leighton O'Brien, Technical Director

**Change to Birth Year:** Big news in the last month is the mandate from Washington Youth Soccer to move to birth year in 2016. Mandated smaller sided games will be coming as well but will likely start in 2017. At this time we are not sure if U12 will be 9 a side or 11 a side. This is Washington State Youth Soccer mandated so we have no control.

Leighton believes this transition will be seamless at PacNW since every team is taught the same style of play. The kids should adjust very quickly and are very adaptable.

01 boys will have tryouts before their current season is complete. Tryouts will be weekdays in late February/early March for the 01 boys. They will tryout during the week to get assigned to a team for the following May, and will then go on to play state cup to finish out the 2015-16 year with their current team.

PacNW will be holding birth year sessions during the current year and has set a goal of a birth year training session on December 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Change in referee association:** We have decided to go in a different direction with our referee association. We are moving from TRIAS to SKCSRA. This referee association is run by Richard Meeks. The process will still be the same. If you notice that your game does not have a referee assigned by 5pm Friday please contact Barbara Zetterberg ([fields@pacnwsc.org](mailto:fields@pacnwsc.org)) AND Richard Meeks (206) 200-8145.

Fall finishing school: Fall finishing school starts September 25<sup>th</sup> for U8-U15. U8-U11 runs from 5-6:15 and U12-U15 runs from 6:30-7:45. The program groups by ability, meaning you will not see a U8 in a group with U11's.

More information and a link to registration can be found on our website at <http://www.pacificnorthwestsoccerclub.org/home/837161.html>

A member asked about player pass rules for U10 and U11. Player passing at U10 and U11 is open. The player pass rules for RCL league apply only to U12 and older.

**Raffle**: Missi Wilson

Hopefully all your families have received your tickets so that they can start selling. There are 6 weeks left before all tickets and money are due to be turned in. Proceeds support the clubs financial aid program as well as team equipment and equipment upgrades.

Question: Are high school girls expected to participate even though they are on break? Yes. This is a requirement of all families at PacNW. We will make arrangements for collecting the tickets and funds for the high school girls teams since they are still on break November 1<sup>st</sup>.

- In order to raise funds for club scholarships and replacement equipment, PacNW is holding a club-wide car raffle.
- Each family is being asked to sell a minimum of 10 tickets. For families with multiple players, tickets will be distributed to the oldest player in the family.
- Raffle tickets are \$20 each. Cash or checks accepted (make checks out to PacNWSC). Please NEATLY fill out all information on the ticket stub.
- Ticket stubs and money collected are due back November 1 to your team rep.
- Raffle drawing will be at Starfire on January 17, 2016 at 2pm. Need not be present to be eligible to win, but you must be 18 or older to enter.
- Email [raffle@pacnwsc.org](mailto:raffle@pacnwsc.org) for additional tickets.
- Full rules are available at the PacNW website: [www.pacificnorthwestsoccerclub.org](http://www.pacificnorthwestsoccerclub.org).
- Grand Prize Raffle Winner will receive a 2016 Subaru Forrester 2.5i from Walker's Renton Subaru (or opt out cash prize of \$15,000).
- Every team who has full participation and sells 100% of their tickets will receive Nike shoes for every player! (All siblings will be credited towards full participation if families with multiple players sell all of their issued family tickets).
- The team that sells the most tickets will receive a \$3,000 team travel stipend prize for travel in 2016!
- The family that sells the most tickets overall will receive a \$1000 gift card to Great Wolf Lodge!
- Questions? Ask your team's Fundraiser Rep!

**Golf**: Todd Johnson

Golf tournament is Friday September 18<sup>th</sup> – next week! It is a 1:00 shotgun start 4 person scramble, with an all club social and prizes to wrap up the evening. This is a lot of fun for all with coaches and directors in attendance. Please be communicating to your teams and encourage them to get signed up on the website, [http://www.pacificnorthwestsoccerclub.org/PacNWGolfTourney/index\\_E.html](http://www.pacificnorthwestsoccerclub.org/PacNWGolfTourney/index_E.html). Put together a foursome at your opening game this weekend, invite your player's coach to join your foursome! We'd love to see golfers from every team in the club.

**Winter Classic**: Please remind the managers of your opponents/mangers that the Winter Classic registration is open and you'd love to see them there! Due to EPD timing and complaints from RCL directors regarding the three week format last year, we have reduced the tournament back to 2 weekends in January,

**Jan 1-3 Boys U15-19, Boys & Girls U11-12**

## **Jan 15-18 Girls U15-19, Boys and Girls U10, U13-14**

For the January 1-3 dates, we are trying to work around the New Year's holiday so that we don't interfere with festivities. The plan is to have local teams play games Thursday morning with the last game finishing by 4pm. Travel teams coming in New Years day, will play New Year's Day. with the first game of the day starting at 11:00am. No team will be scheduled both days. You will either be done early on December 31<sup>st</sup> and have the 1<sup>st</sup> off, or you will have your first game on January 1<sup>st</sup> sometime after 11:00am.

### **Events:**

Sunday the Reign plays in their semi final game and they have discounted tickets available for PacNW members. Go online and order your tickets.

Oct 4<sup>th</sup> is the HS college visit to UW. UW vs UCLA for the boys and UW vs USC for girls. There will be a bus that leaves Starfire and takes the kids to see the campus, meet the coaches and go to the game together.

This month is PacNW Fan gear month. Go online to make your fan gear purchase at <https://soccerwest.tuosystems.com/stores/pacnwspirit>

Special for this month only! Cotton short sleeve shirts are on sale for \$6 and cotton long sleeve shirts are on sale for \$10. They come in a variety of colors and sizes. Let your families know so they can take advantage of this great offer while it lasts! These will only be sold for the month of September.

Soccer West will ship it free to Starfire Soccer West for you to pick up in the store. Shipping is not free to your house.

**Next meeting date:** Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>.