



PETERBOROUGH CITY SOCCER ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Yet another year of soccer is in the history books and, like it usually does, it went by too fast. One of the reasons it seemed to go so quickly is that there was so much happening every day both on and off the field. After the tryouts in September, we had futsal in the fall for older teams and starting in January for the younger teams. I would like to thank the Board members, the technical coaches, team officials and volunteers for your enthusiasm and your hard work that went into the making this another successful year.

Highlights for the year include:

- PCSA fielded 30 boys and girls teams, two U21 Women's teams and one Senior Men team in 7 different representative leagues.
- Successful U6/U7 development program, with steady year over year numbers.
- The Peterborough City Soccer Academy completed its 3rd year in April with an average of 80 players. The 4th year for the Academy started with open tryouts in September 2016 and an updated program.
- Following more than two years of preparation, developing and implementation of policies, systems and standards in the key areas of governance, technical, personnel and community, the club was awarded the Gold Club Excellence award from the Ontario Soccer Association.
- A record 186 teams participated at the Boys and Girls Challenge tournaments as well as the Boys and Girls Festivals in June. The Mark Forster adult recreational tournament was cancelled due to lack of team entries.
- The popular summer camp program got even better. The number of participants and the quality of the program continue to climb each year.
- The game of Futsal was used as a training tool for the first 3 months of team practices in the fall (U13 - U18) and the winter (U8 - U12). This proved to be very popular with players and coaches.
- Eight PCSA coaches completed the Provincial C Licence workshop in May. In all, 30 coaches from across Ontario attended the 4-day workshop at Eastgate. Practical assessments were scheduled to be held in October.
- Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Grant provided financial assistance for the U6-U12 Long Term Player Development programs and certification of coaches. Purchased equipment included a high-end camera and video recorder system for training and game analysis. The 2-year grant period ended in March.
- Gently used uniforms were collected during tryouts and transported to needy children in the Honduras by one of our U21 Women's players.
- The club is financially sound. The organization and resources are in place for another great year in 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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