

Director of Coaching Report
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1. Winter Clinics

- a) In addition to the current weekly sessions for K-3rd grade we have opened up clinics for all travel players (U9-U14) over the Feb vacation week. The sessions are available to book online and are two hour clinics on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to be held at Gideon Welles. The cost is \$10 per hour per player.

2. Coach Education Clinics

- a) The first two coach education clinics at Oakwood were received positively from all players that were coached on the field. Both clinics had a decent if not spectacular turn out from coaches with 'the same faces' attending both clinics. The challenge remains getting the many coaches that are not currently attending engaged so they attend future clinics.
- b) PDFs of the session plans have been emailed to all coaches attending the clinics and will also be published on the Hartwell website under the 'Coaches Corner' section in due course. I produce the session plans by using 'Soccer Interactive' and it is a very user friendly tool for all coaches to work from.

3. Scheduling

- a) I have amended the proposed schedule for both rec and travel for the spring and forwarded details to all relevant parties. I have received no negative feedback so as things stand this will be the schedule going into the spring season.
- b) I am meeting with Doug Werner and Ray Purtell on Thursday 2/10 to go over field requirements and allocations for both the spring season and summer camps.

4. SoccerPlus / Challenger DOC

- a) Following a conference call with Dave Newbery last week I have two 'skype' interviews lined up for this week with potential DOCs as per the contract with SoccerPlus. Both candidates currently work for 'Challenger' and if successful will be joining Hartwell as our second dedicated DOC for both the spring and fall seasons. I will update the board tonight.

5. Junior Coach Program

- a) I am meeting with Maureen Desena on Friday to discuss the junior coach program and to see how we can best utilize their services in the spring. I believe it is a very important program and I will update the board in due course.