



TUCSON SOCCER ACADEMY

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FOUR TEAMS QUALIFY FOR HAWAII! ANOTHER HEADED TO BOISE

The final weekend of the TSA season proved to be a great time for TSA as four teams have advanced to the US Youth Soccer Region IV (West) Championships and will begin participating in mid-June in Honolulu. It's the first time four teams from TSA have made the West Regionals in a season.

"The Tucson Soccer Academy's guiding aspiration 'Expect the Best' has taken on a new and special meaning with the conclusion of Arizona Youth Soccer Association State Cup play," said Ted Schmidt, president of TSA. "With the 95 Red Girls, 96 Red Girls and 98 Red Boys first place state championship finishes and the 95 Red Boys second place finish TSA has not only completed its most successful season ever but also has won more state championships than any other club in Arizona for the 2012-13 season."

TSA, which has more than 1,000 players, has been designated the only Nike Premier club in Southern Arizona, in addition to other ongoing projects.

"We have just begun to expand and innovate in our recreational and developmental programs with Charlie Kendrick at the helm, put added emphasis on our girls competitive program with Todd Garelick as director, just founded TSA FC as the only club in the Women's Premier Soccer League with Amy Garelick serving as head coach and begin construction this month on the new Ann Kathryn Schmidt Kickin' It Club House," Schmidt said. "The achievements in State Cup are the perfect initiation to a new era at TSA," Schmidt said. "As we achieve these extraordinary successes and develop these new and exciting programs, now more than ever our families have every right to 'Expect the Best' from TSA."

Additionally, the 1996 Boys Blue team has qualified for the regionals in Boise, Idaho. Good luck to everyone!



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95 Boys Riding a Wave



95 Boys Red—State Champions

Magical is how coach Wolfgang Weber described the 95 Boys Red team's run to a second place finish in State Cup. He can include mystical with a little mastery. The 95 Boys had a great run in the last three months.

It started in Las Vegas – where else would you want your luck to begin? – where it finished second in the Mayor's Cup.

The team continued its super run, playing some of its best soccer in the state cup, winning two games in 4-0 fashion and then beating Scottsdale Blackhawks 3-1 to reach the semifinals. Then, in an against-all-odds game, the 95s defeated Del Sol, 2-1, to advance to the title game to face against Sereno. It lost 1-0 on an improbable goal.

"The loss against Sereno was very unfortunate - as the team dominated throughout most of the game," Weber said. "But the main goal, qualification for the Regional Tournament, had already been accomplished."

The road – and trip – to Hawaii has been set. "The team has clearly established itself as one of the best teams in the state and in the Far West Region, and I like our chances to make a deep run in the tournament," Weber said. "Our trip to Germany at the end of May will provide us with an excellent opportunity to prepare for the FWR Tournament."

Summer Camps

ARIZONA PRO SOCCER CAMP

Wolfgang Weber will conduct his annual soccer camps this summer.

Dates: June 10-14, 2013 Advanced and Beginners (Ages 6-16), June 17-21, 2013 Advanced and Beginners (Ages 6-16), June 24-28, 2013 Advanced and Beginners (Ages 6-16).

For more information, visit www.arizonaprosoccercamp.com.

PUSCH RIDGE SOCCER SOCCER SKILLS CAMP

Where: Pusch Ridge Christian Academy
500 N. Oracle Rd. Tucson, AZ 85734

When: June 3-7, 2013 from 6:00-9:00pm

To Register: Email Bob Coate at coatebob@gmail.com
Click [here](#) to view the camp brochure.

TSA SCHOOL OF SOCCER

Boys and Girls Ages 7-14

Where: Brandi Fenton Park

When: May 21 – June 20, Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:00-8:00 PM

Cost: \$100

Contact: Sean Watkins at 520-990-6617 or seanwatkins@earthlink.net

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96 Girls – A Team to Be Proud Of

How about them girls?

The 1996 Girls Red – that is. The team was able to do what very few teams have been able to do in the more than 10 years TSA has been in existence, and that's win a state title.

But behind coach Kendrick the team pulled it off. The team is 23-4 -12 on the season. The 96 Girls defeated Banat Gold 2-1 in the semifinals and Gilbert Arsenal 4-1 in the finals.

"Winning a state championship in club soccer is so very difficult and on the girls side it is so rare for Southern Arizona," Kendrick said. "So rare, in fact, that the 96 Girls Red are only the third team to accomplish this goal since the early 90s (94 Girls Red, 95 Girls Red-TWICE, 96 Girls Red!). I am so proud of - and happy for - each and every player on this team. Every player on this team contributed to the success of the team during their time with the group, and every player should feel very much a part of, and proud of, what the team as a whole accomplished during the state tournament.

"These types of accomplishments reflect years and years of training, commitment, sacrifice, memories, and countless individuals making contributions over the years. We now have just a few weeks to prepare for what will be one of the most memorable experiences of these girls' lives. We will do our best to represent our state well, on, and off the field, and make Arizona proud."



96 Girls Red—State Champions

Improvement – 96 Boys Blue had it in 2013

The 96 Boys Blue team is exactly what you want out of a team – any team – when it comes to competition: improvement. Good, solid improvement.

It went from a third place finish in the PCJSL fall season to a first place finish in the spring.

"Our Presidents Cup 1st place finish was well earned with undefeated group play," said coach Vince Phillips. "This was highlighted by a 1-0 victory over last year's champion Tuzos from Phoenix. The final saw a 1-0 victory over 10th-ranked Arizona Alliance (Phoenix)."

Next up for the Blue team is Regionals June 12-16 in Boise.

"We look forward to the challenge and expect to play well there," Phillips said.



96 Boys Blue—Presidents Cup Champions

College Bound Players

It's been well-documented how the 95 Girls Red team has done in addition to having every player on its roster headed to college to play soccer. The boys team is right behind it. **Jack Ferguson** is headed to Cornell, **Zach Davis** is going to Colorado State - Pueblo, **Sam Kavathas**, **Christian Garcia** and **Pinini Vega** are going to Pima Community College and **Cameron Rivera** is going to Davis & Elkins (West Virginia). Also, **Amber Measley** from the 96 Girls Red has committed to Northern Arizona University and **Aminah Settles** from the 96 Girls Red, commits to California State University Bakersfield.

It is All In the Chemistry – And the Talent, Of Course – When It Comes To the 98 Boys Red

In all honesty, Jeff Rogers thought the building process would take a while. Heck with the building process. The 98 Boys Red team are champions.

"Dean Nourse (assistant coach) and I couldn't be more proud of our team," said coach Rogers. "They played a flawless first half, jumping out to a 4-0 lead and were extremely focused and disciplined the entire match. We were so motivated and driven to succeed, and that is always the foundation of any championship-caliber team. Their performance set the tone for the day and I sincerely believe it gave confidence to our other teams ... everyone felt like this was TSA's day after the way we played."

In reality, the 98 Boys Red team together came quicker than he thought. "Usually it takes a year to two years before you see the true integration," Rogers said, "but it was almost immediate-- they had a style and had a real chemistry."

The Boys are a mix of the 98 Boys Red of old and the old TSA Oros. Former rivals turned friends and teammates. The question was how would the chemistry be? Well, it's turned out very well and for Rogers, who took over the group from Dave Cosgrove this season, said "it's been an absolute pleasure working with them." They've taken to his coaching. "So much credit goes to Dave and Rogelio Hernandez (former head coach for the Oros), they instilled all the qualities that have made them successful. These kids are skillful and have a tremendous work ethic due to their time with Dave and Rogelio."

Rogers said he had no preconceived notions of how the team would do, but he saw promise in the group. Again, it was just how they would jell. And they did, winning the U15 State League and doing well all season. Rogers said any one of the eight teams could have won the league it's that strong of an age group. "It's probably the deepest age group in the State, and our record is even more impressive because of that--we didn't have an easy game all year."

"The turning point was when we played CCV in the first state league game of the year," said Rogers, who was expecting a loss. "But we won the game and that's when the light bulb went on for us, this could be a special team."

The 98s are 24-4-6 overall.



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98 Boys Red—State Champions

FC Tucson Partners With Tucson Soccer Academy to Host Doubleheaders

TSAFC's WPSL squad to play four home matches prior to FC Tucson matches at Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand.

Tucson, AZ - Today FC Tucson announced a partnership with Tucson Soccer Academy and its Women's Premier Soccer League team that will include four doubleheaders featuring FC Tucson and TSAFC. The doubleheaders, which will take place on June 8, 15, 28 and July 6, will begin at 5:15 p.m. and be played at the Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand.

"We're truly excited to be working with one of our many community partners in Tucson Soccer Academy," said FC Tucson general manager Jon Pearlman. "FC Tucson is a huge supporter of the women's game and we think TSAFC will give the top female players in and around Tucson a chance to develop their game for success at the collegiate and professional level. And the atmosphere at these doubleheaders should be electric when the soccer community comes together to support two local teams."

In March, Tucson Soccer Academy joined the Women's Premier Soccer League, becoming the league's only Southern Arizona franchise. Head coach Amy Garelick, who currently coaches the TSA '95 Girls Red, the defending state champions, will head a staff that includes assistant coaches Todd Garelick, Charlie Kendrick, David Cosgrove, Charlie MacCabe, Paul-David Seldis and FC Tucson staff members Jeff Rogers and Kate Norton.

"For young girls to go out and watch a high level game in Tucson is so important for them," said TSAFC head coach Amy Garelick. "They get to see great role models playing the game they love and that after their club experience there is something to aspire to besides going on and playing in college. There's something else out there"

Fans can catch TSAFC and FC Tucson by purchasing 2013 season ticket packages at www.fctucson.com. Ticket packages, which include tickets to all ten of FC Tucson's home matches and the four doubleheaders, are only \$100 (Reg. \$120) for adults and \$80 for youth ages 3-12. Children under three do not need a ticket.



TSAFC and FC Tucson 2013 Home Schedule

Date	Opponent	Field	Time
6/6/13	OC Blues Strikers FC	Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand	7:30 p.m.
6/8/13	TSAFC Women v. St. George United	Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand	5:15 p.m.
	Fresno Fuego		7:30 p.m.
6/15/13	TSAFC Women v. Real Salt Lake	Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand	5:15 p.m.
	Real Phoenix		7:30 p.m.
6/28/13	TSAFC Women v. Utah Starzz	Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand	5:15 p.m.
	Ventura County Fusion		7:30 p.m.
6/30/13	Ventura County Fusion	Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand	7:30 p.m.
7/6/13	TSAFC Women v. SC Del Sol	Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand	5:15 p.m.
	CTCL Men's Winner		7:30 p.m.
7/13/13	Los Angeles Misioneros	Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand	7:30 p.m.
7/16/13	Yucaipa All Stars	Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand	7:30 p.m.
7/20/13	BYU Cougars	Kino Sports Complex North Grandstand	7:30 p.m.

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