



FOOTNOTES

News from Palatine Celtic Soccer Club



President's Notes

September, 2007

Dear Celtic Soccer Club members,

Here we are in September of 2007, and into our Fall Soccer Season. The summer is over, the kids are back in school, and we all are back to our hectic schedules. As I compose this letter, we have just completed our first week of house soccer games. You couldn't ask for better weather, and everything seemed to run smoothly. The Celtic Cup Labor Day Tournament was also blessed with outstanding weather. We hosted 341 teams throughout Illinois, and parts of the Midwest. The play was competitive and the club received many compliments regarding the field conditions, facilities, and the organization of the tournament. A big **THANK YOU** goes to all of you who volunteered their time to make it such a great success.

Speaking of volunteers, I need to thank all the coaches and parents who volunteer their time to make this club a success. There are over 1600 children and teens playing within our program. It is those volunteers that dedicate their time and energy that make things happen. Many people think soccer is two months in the fall and two months in the spring. Actually, our volunteer staff works year round. In the summer, when most people think nothing is happening, we are busy organizing teams, conducting drafts, recruiting coaches, and purchasing uniforms and equipment, not to mention many other tasks. We do this in the best interest of the children. We try to accommodate everyone's needs and requests, but it's not always possible. We attempt to make the teams even and competitive, hence the reason we hold a draft system. If we honor all of the requests that we receive, the teams would not be as balanced. Parents, I ask of you to be understanding if we cannot honor a request, and to respect my staff and their hard work.

Well, that's it for now. I look forward to a great 2007-2008 soccer season. I hope to see many of you at our 2nd Annual Picnic being held at Celtic Park on September 29, 2007.

Thanks again to everyone and I'll see you on the fields.

Sincerely,

Bob Haas
President, Celtic Soccer ❖

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2007 Palatine Celtic Soccer Picnic

WHEN: Saturday, September 29th
 TIME: 4 p.m. until 7 p.m.
 WHERE: CELTIC PARK
 WHY: BECAUSE WE LIKE YOU!!



Gather your family or team members and come on over to Celtic to see your favorite Board Members BBQ for you. We'll have plenty of food and soft drinks.



The Chicago Storm is scheduled to attend. There will be an interactive clinic and plenty of time for autographs from the Storm players.

We'll also have games, raffle tickets and a few surprises! 50/50 Celtic raffle tickets will be available for purchase for \$1.00.

Don't forget to bring your own chairs/blankets.



Mark your calendar now! Rain date - TBD

Please email info@palatinecelticsc.com with your last name, phone #, email address, and the # of attendees.

Hope to see you there!❖

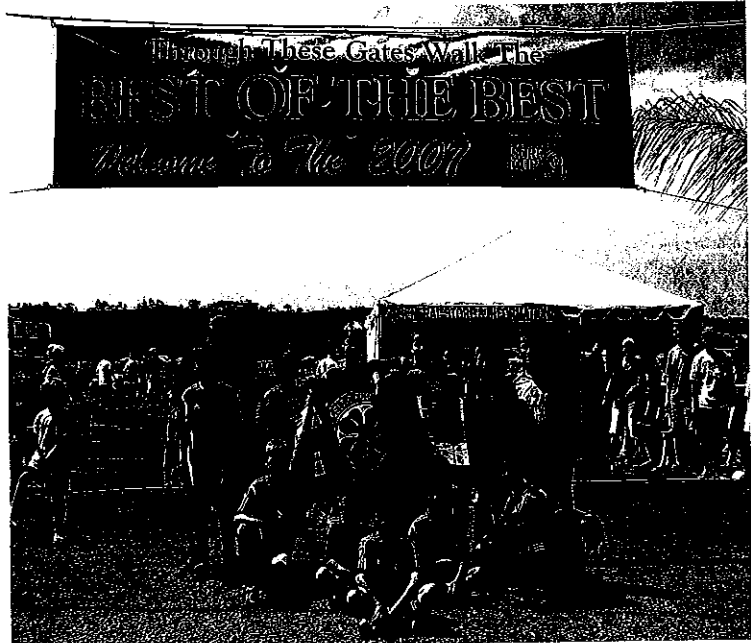


Celtic Travel News

U12B SELECT TRAVEL TO SURF CUP

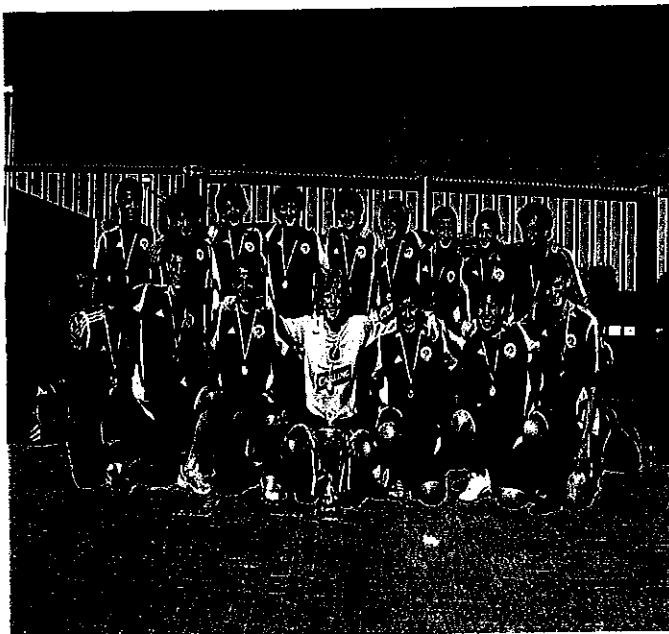
The Palatine Celtic U12 Boys Select team competed in San Diego Surf Cup XXVII over the Summer. The Surf Cup Tournaments include teams from all over the U.S. and the world. We truly did compete against the best of the best. Five of the top twelve teams in the country in this age group were in the tournament including many U.S. Youth Soccer state champions and state finalists. The boys overcame tough obstacles in order to compete including some playing on full sized fields for the first time, playing in our off season while many of the teams were in mid-season form, and playing against teams with much more tournament experience as they have the luxury of playing outdoor soccer year round.

The Palatine Celtic Select U12 boys were well represented by Brad Bauer, Kyle Clancy, Ben Connington, Thomas Dieffenthaler, Rafael Esquivel, Brennan Harding, Collin Kapinos, Kyle Leber, Hudson Luthingshausen, Johnny McArtor, Ryan McCauley, Jonathan Smith, Jeremy Velinski, and Brock Von Holt.



In our opening round game, we lost to the Northern California Finalists - Pleasanton Ballistic United 0-3. This game was much closer than the final result as the halftime score was 0-1 and their other goals were scored late in the game when the boys were pushing up trying to score. In our finale, the boys spoiled the Utah State Champions from Sparta, UT from going to the quarterfinals with a hard fought 0-1 loss. Our middle game was against one of the best U12 boys teams in the nation, Southern California state champions and two time defending Surf Cup champions, West Coast FC.

The tournament was held on the Del Mar Polo Grounds in absolutely perfect weather. Besides the incredible soccer, the boys got to experience many great things together and/or with their families including going out for dinner at Old Town in San Diego, going to the San Diego Zoo, watching the seals at La Jolla Beach, spending the afternoon together swimming in the Pacific Ocean at Mission Bay, and just spending quality time together.❖



PALATINE CELTIC HS BOYS TEAMS COMPETE IN HOLLAND CUP

Palatine Celtic sent both U16 and U17 boys teams on a European soccer tour this past summer. The trip began in Manchester, England where the teams trained with the Manchester United coaching staff, and played some friendly matches. After some preparation, the boys then traveled to play in the Holland Cup. Our teams competed against teams from Holland, Sweden, Austria, Poland, Norway, and Germany. After a long 10 days in Europe, our U16B Select managed to place 9th overall in the tournament and our U17B Select team competed well and placed 3rd overall. Congratulations boys!!❖



Celtic Travel News

FALL SEASON OUTDOOR TRAVEL RESULTS

The following teams have experienced league or additional tournament success throughout the second half of the Fall season. Congrats to the following teams!!

U13G Premier - Champion 2007 Schaumburg Soccerfest

U18G Select - Champion 2007 Schaumburg Soccerfest

U11G Premier - Champion 2007 Palatine Celtic Cup

U15G Select - Finalist 2007 Palatine Celtic Cup

All Travel team accomplishments can be tracked in the Travel Program section of our website. ❖



PALATINE CELTIC SOCCER ACADEMY

The Palatine Celtic Soccer Academy's objective is to provide a supportive environment where players can improve their individual skills while having fun. The Winter indoor camp will concentrate on a foundation of footwork skills geared towards both beginning and experienced players with an emphasis on ball mastery. Under staff direction, players will primarily focus on various technical soccer skills, and will use these skills in activities and small-sided games. The camp staff will consist of USSF licensed coaches currently coaching in the Palatine Celtic Travel Program. All skill levels are encouraged to attend, and players should bring their own water bottle, ball, and shinguards.

When: March 24 – March 28, 2008

Time: 6:00pm - 7:00pm for ages 6-9; 7:30pm - 9:00pm for ages 10-13

Where: Birchwood Gym

Who: Players between the ages of 6-13

**Fees: Resident - \$75 per player for U6-U9; \$90 per player for U10-U13
Non-Resident - \$113 per player for U6-U9; \$135 per player for U10-U13**

*Fee includes a camp t-shirt❖



Jimmy Kinsella High School Cup

The Palatine Celtic Soccer Club presents the Jimmy Kinsella High School Cup each year to the winner of the boys and girls Palatine vs. William Fremd Varsity high school soccer matches. The Kinsella Cup is proudly displayed at the victorious high school until the next cross-town match.

The majority of players for each of these high schools have at one time or another played either Recreational and/or Travel soccer under the Celtic banner. Both William Fremd and Palatine have had State High School Champion soccer teams, and numerous players that have continued their soccer careers in NCAA Division I, II, III, and NAIA college programs.

The Celtic Cup is dedicated to Jimmy Kinsella, who founded the Palatine Celtic Soccer Club in 1968. Kinsella, a transplanted Scotsman, was the first to find a few kids and organize them into teams to play the game of soccer in Palatine. He named the Club after his home club, Glasgow Celtic. Even though Jimmy is not around to watch the Kinsella Cup games anymore, his memory and all of his efforts continue to live on through our Club and the players who have played with us.

This spring, the Fremd Vikings girls managed to beat the Pirates 1-0. The fall Kinsella Cup features the boys meeting up on October 2 at Fremd HS where Fremd and Palatine High Schools will compete in the crosstown rivalry. The JV game is at 4:30pm and the Varsity game is 6:30pm.

Come on out and cheer on your favorite team!❖

PALATINE CELTIC NIGHT WITH THE CHICAGO STORM

Our Club has arranged to hold a Palatine Celtic Night at a Chicago Storm indoor MISL game!! Our Club night will be on **Saturday, November 10**. Tickets are \$16 each and interested families can order tickets by going to www.chicagostorm.net. Click on "Group Ticket Window", and then enter the ID and Password for our Club which are - ID = PCSC --- Password = CELTIC. We are also trying to arrange another opportunity for interested players to play on their turf field before the game. More information will be provided on that soon. ❖

UPCOMING SOCCER CONVENTIONS

An outstanding convention targeted to youth soccer coaches is held by the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA). This year's convention will be held in Pittsburgh, PA from February 7-9, 2008. This Workshop and Coaches Convention offers an abundance of educational and informational opportunities for coaches, administrators, referees and parents alike. This convention also provides an excellent array of on-field and classroom instruction as well across a range of interesting topics. Visit www.usyouthsoccer.org for more information.

Another excellent convention is held by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA). It is being held between January 16-20, 2008 in Baltimore, MD. This convention is targeted towards youth, high school, and college level coaches also with numerous field and lecture sessions covering coaching education, team psychology, and both tactical and technical knowledge of the game. Visit www.nscaa.com for more information.❖



USA Women's World Cup TV Schedule

ESPN (12 GAMES) AND ESPN2 (20) will combine to broadcast all 32 matches of the 2007 Women's World Cup, which begins Monday in China with the opening game between defending champion Germany and Argentina. ESPN360.com will air all 32 games. Matches will be preceded by a 30-minute "World Cup Live" pre-game show, and there will be a one-hour show between matches on certain days. The final will also be re-broadcast at 12 p.m. ET on ESPN Classic and at 7 p.m. ET on ESPN2. ESPNU will also broadcast the USA's three group matches and any U.S. quarterfinal matches on taped delay.

Sept. 11 in Chengdu

USA-North Korea (ESPN2, 4:55 am)

Sept. 14 in Chengdu

Sweden-USA (ESPN, 4:55 am)

Sept. 18 in Shanghai

USA-Nigeria (ESPN, 7:55 am)

Quarterfinals

Sept. 22

(ESPN2, 4:55 am)

(ESPN2, 7:55 am)

Sept. 23 in Wuhan

(ESPN2, 4:55 am)

(ESPN2, 7:55 am)

Semifinals

Sept. 26 in Tianjin

(ESPN2, 7:55 am)

Sept. 27 in Hangzhou

(ESPN2, 7:55 am)

Third-Place Game

Sept. 30 in Shanghai

(ESPN2, 4:55 am)

Final

Sept. 30 in Shanghai

(ESPN2, 7:55 am)

Note: All times are ET. ♦



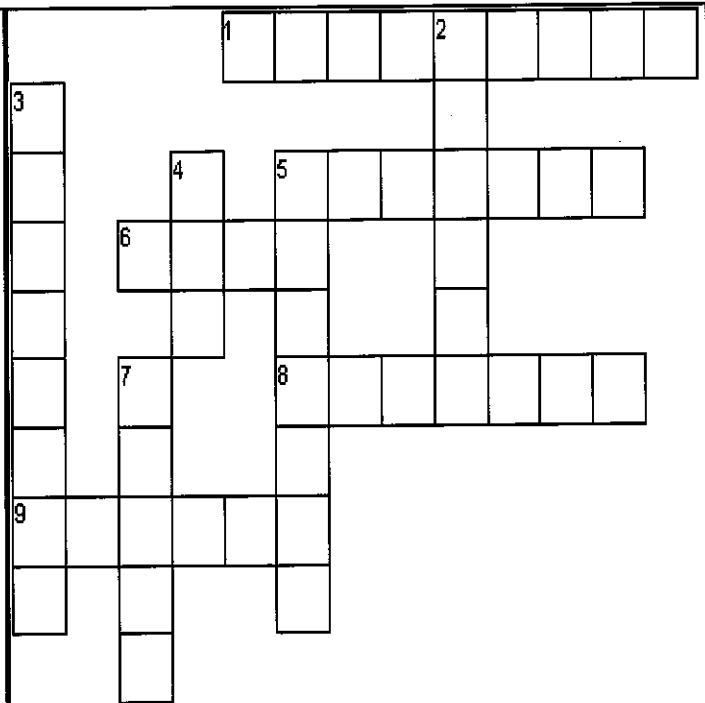
CELTIC SOCCER PUZZLES

Across:

- 1 - the side lines of the field
- 5 - ___ shot; direct foul committed by a defender within his or her penalty area
- 6 - the act of a goalkeeper in blocking or stopping a shot
- 8 - the ___ number of shots to score 1 goal is 3.5 shots on target
- 9 - ___ free kick; a restart situation that can be scored directly by the shooter

Down:

- 2 - the striking of a ball in the air by a player's head
- 3 - offensive player
- 4 - ___-to-man; marking a particular opponent in all the important defensive areas of the field
- 5 - ___ spot; small circular spot located 12 yards in front of the center of the goal line
- 7 - dribble



Coach Cameron <http://users.erols.com/soccertip>

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- * ___ carrier; a player that has possession of the ball
- * the players on the team that does not have possession of the ball
- * ___ front; players attacking or defending in straight line across the field
- * team's last line of defense
- * place ___; method of starting a game, re-starting it after each goal
- * scoring ___; a situation where a team stands a good chance of scoring a goal
- * draw back part of body upon contact with the ball
- * players on; applied to dribbling past opponents
- * ___ up; exercises that warm the muscles before game
- * kick the ball while it is in the air

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