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March 2017 – Effective immediately, Odyssey South Soccer Club will return to its original name South Valley United Soccer Club (SVU), as established at the club's inception in 2002.

Beginning in the 2017/18 playing season, all newly established teams who have completed the 2017/18 tryout cycle will play under the name South Valley United Soccer Club. All teams currently in the process of completing the 2016 /17 League and State Cup play, will continue to identify under the name Odyssey South until such time their State Cup and NPL League play has finished. The Odyssey South website; (www.odysseysouth.com), and all related email domains will remain functioning until all Odyssey South teams have completed their respective 2016 / 17 playing season. The South Valley United website is currently in the final stages of construction.

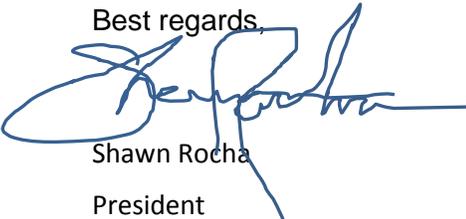
Our History:

At the club's inception nearly a decade and a half ago, SVU club founders adopted the name South Valley United. The name SVU was, and remains of great significance as it marked the first time the unification of the top soccer minds and coaches in our community all under the umbrella of a single club with a singular purpose. The club would be progressive in nature, with efforts focused on building a safe, supportive soccer community which would develop elite level soccer players, in an effort to provide collegiate and professional playing opportunities.

In March of 2010, in our continued efforts to progress, SVU entered into a strategic partnership with California Odyssey Soccer Club (COSC). At that time SVU adopted the name Odyssey South, thereby providing SVU players an opportunity to participate in Cal Odyssey's prestigious U.S. Soccer Development Academy. This proved to be a tremendous success for both clubs, as many of the players reaped the rewards such as a National Championship, college scholarships and US National Team opportunities. The partnership crafted with California Odyssey and SVU was established with great camaraderie and respect between club leaders and club accomplishments. Today, as SVU returns to its roots and its original name, the respect and admiration between both clubs remains as strong as ever. Additionally, SVU expects to continue to see players exposed to these same opportunities and to reap these same rewards as we move forward with these purposes in mind.

SVU thanks our friends to the north for a successful partnership and wishes them well in their future endeavors.

Best regards,



Shawn Rocha

President

South Valley United Soccer Club

