



Welcome to the October edition of the ECFC monthly newsletter. We had a great Fall Kickoff event a few weeks ago. Thanks so much for your attendance and support of the club! Please be sure to consider participating in the Turkey Shoot 3v3 jamboree next month. Here are the topics in the newsletter this month:

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17th ANNUAL ECFC TURKEY SHOOT – NOV. 26

ECFC is proud to continue our Thanksgiving weekend tradition by hosting a round-robin 3 vs. 3 jamboree for boys and girls U-8 through U-14. Get your players out on the field turf after the holiday binge for lots of touches on the ball! Rain, snow or sun (we've had them all!), the jamboree will be happening. Games will run throughout the day until 3:30 pm. The 3 v 3 jamboree is open to all players regardless of the team or organization you currently play for. (US Club Soccer, CYO, SYSA, WYS or unaffiliated - all players welcome!) Register your teams today! It will be a lot of fun.

- **When:** Saturday, November 26, 2016
- **Where:** Magnuson Park Fields #6 (7400 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle)
- **Cost:** \$90 per team or \$25 per individual
- **Register Here:** <http://bitly.com/ecfcturkey>
- **Questions?** Email turkeyshoot@emeraldcityfc.org

FALL KICKOFF EVENT RECAP

As you know, ECFC hosted our first ever Fall Kick Off Event on October 8th at The Ninety. There were over 100 people in attendance and **we raised over \$15K** for the newly formed Bobby Howe Scholarship fund! Thanks so much to those who attended and supported our club. We want to thank our sponsors: Via Tribunali, Big Mario's, The Ninety and the Sounders, with special thanks to Dane Beaumont, Soccer West, Adidas, and the Seattle University

Men's Varsity Soccer Team. Also, a special thanks to the ECFC Families who helped underwrite the event: Don Davies and Joan Crooks, Claudine and Kean Lawlor, Andy and Elana Jassy, and Ryan Sawyer and Jane DePaolo. Finally, our event night volunteers included Claudine Lawlor, Jane DePaolo, Tracey Yee, Burke Fewel, Diem Waarvick, and Scott Lockert. Thank you all!

ECFC DAY AT UW MEN'S SOCCER – NOV. 10

Please mark your calendars for a special night at the UW Men's Soccer game on November 10th at 6pm vs. Oregon State. All ECFC players get in free by wearing your jersey or warm-up jacket, and parents and other non-players can get in for only \$5 (half price). We'd love to see as many of you there as possible to represent ECFC and also see some highly competitive Pac 12 soccer.

Details:

- November 10, 6pm at UW Soccer Stadium
- Tickets: In order to qualify for this offer, please bring [this flyer](#) with you or show it on your phone at the gate.
- ECFC players that are high-school age need to email khutch1@uw.edu to get on the free pass list.
- Email Burke Fewel at execvp@emeraldcityfc.org with any other questions.

DEV PROGRAM – SPRING 2017

Training for our Dev program will start up again in early February 2017. Registration is already open at [this link here](#). Our club is working hard to find ways to increase the numbers of young players in our Dev program, especially on the girl's side, so we would very much encourage current Dev families to help spread the word! We also want to encourage families with kids in the U8-10 age groups who played fall rec soccer with their local neighborhood clubs and now want to consider a great way for their player to play in the spring as well. Please help spread the word!

FUTSAL IS COMING!

ECFC is pleased to announce there will be a Futsal opportunity coming up starting in January! For those not familiar, Futsal is five-on-five indoor soccer, which is great for building additional skills such as improvisation, creativity, ball control and passing in small spaces. Beginning January 8 it will be offered for six Sunday sessions from 2-4pm at [Meadowbrook Community Center](#) (skipping the Super Bowl Sunday). It will be open to all players including non-ECFC players, so invite your friends! More information to come.

FOLLOW ECFC ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Please remember to follow ECFC on all of the following social media channels. This is a great way to connect with other members of the club, share your stories & pictures, and have some fun.

- Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/114542515254/>
- Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/emeraldcityfootball/>
- Twitter - <https://twitter.com/EmeraldCityFC>

Remember, we pick one lucky follower/contributor each month to win some Emerald City merchandise. Please take a minute to follow ECFC today, and then share your pictures and posts with the community!

FIELD SHORTAGES

Due to a variety of factors, all Seattle-based soccer clubs have been faced with many pressures to secure preferred field locations and times this year. Our field scheduler has been working diligently to make sure we are doing all we can to get our share of field times. This fall has been particular challenging with the start times for Seattle Public Schools moving later, and the continued population growth in the city without an equivalent growth in field/park resources. We did hear that funding has been provided to light an additional field next year, and we have hope that more lighted fields will come online in the future. We also wanted to be sure you saw [this story](#) on this issue as covered by King 5 News. Some Emerald City teams are featured in it! If you have additional feedback on field locations or times, please send feedback to president@emeraldcityfc.org.

ECFC PARENT FEEDBACK MEETINGS

Each year, ECFC hosts parent meetings where you get a chance to meet with our Director of Coaching and provide feedback on the club. We plan to host these meetings again in mid to late November, and will send more details when we have the date and locations confirmed.

Thanks,
Ryan Sawyer
ECFC President