



Welcome to the September edition of the ECFC monthly newsletter! The fall season has now started, and we are excited to see the ECFC teams on the fields! We have some important announcements this month, so please try to read this entire email. As always, we welcome your feedback, ideas and suggestions. Thanks for your continued support of ECFC!

FALL SEASON KICK-OFF EVENT – BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

You should all know by now that our first ever **Fall Season Kick-Off Event** is coming up on October 8th, 7-10pm at The Ninety. This is a really great venue and we are lucky to have it! There are still tickets available, but they are starting to sell fast. Buy your tickets now and don't be left out of this fun event! In addition to having a great time, this is a key fundraiser for the new *Bobby Howe Scholarship Fund*. We'd love to sell out this event!

We have some great support already for this experience including the following key contributions:

- One current ECFC family has graciously offered to **match up to \$5,000** in ticket sales or donations for this event! If you can't make the event, you can still donate funds to the scholarship which will be matched by this ECFC family (see the donation option on the ticket registration site).
- [Adidas](#) has committed to providing uniform kits for up to 10 scholarship players!
- [Big Mario's](#) is donating pizza and [Via Tribunali](#) has donated appetizers for the night.
- The [Seattle Sounders FC](#) has donated the use of their super cool space, [The Ninety](#). Check it out! This is where our event will be.



TURKEY SHOOT NOVEMBER 26

Mark your calendar for the 2016 ECFC Turkey Shoot 3v3 jamboree! This fun, one-day event is a longstanding club tradition held on the Saturday following Thanksgiving. Registration will be available soon, so start putting your team together!

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!

SOCCER WEST COUPON – VALID THRU 9/25

Soccer West has a [COUPON](#) specifically for ECFC families valid only at their University Village Store (4610 25th Ave NE, phone 206.420.7215) through September 25th. You can get \$25 off a purchase of \$75 or more. Please act quickly to take advantage of this great offer! Click the link above to access the coupon.

COACHES' CORNER

This month we feature Bobby Howe's philosophy of '[Playing Up](#)' for young players. Please give it a read!

To learn more about Bobby, please check out these two articles as well:

- [Bobby Howe, recipient of the Dr. Thomas Fleck US Youth Soccer Excellence in Coaching Education Award](#)
- [Hammer Howe's Seattle Salute](#)

Thanks,
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