

## Banff Trail Soccer Newsletter 2019

Welcome to the 2019 Season for Banff Trail Community Soccer! We are looking forward to a great couple of weeks ahead. Please find all necessary information below. If you have further questions please consult our website at <http://www.banfftrailcommunity.ca/programs/soccer/>

Please be advised that I having a very active baby this year limits my time. I am hoping to delegate tasks as we go ahead with the season. I would love for someone to be my Co-Coordinator and work with me - either to take over next year or to keep working as partners in the years ahead.

I am in the process of updating the community website and confirming dates, any changes will be communicated online as well as per e-mail. I will do my best to answer questions in a timely manner but ask to make sure to consult our website first. Thank you!

- Soccer Registration

The 2019 Banff Trail Soccer Registration is now open. I will accept registrations until March 8th as I am a bit behind this year. After that date registrations will be accepted if space is available. Please register at

<https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/181396>

Please note that we do not require proof of membership this year.

We are providing recreational, community level soccer and is open to all, regardless of the community you live in. Please note that we only run U4 / U6 / U8 / U10. If you are interested in U12 or beyond please consult Brentwood or Triwood Soccer Programs.

We want to make sure that every child can join us should they choose to. Please contact us if you need financial assistance. You may also contact KidSport at <http://www.kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/calgary/>

- Soccer Volunteer Requirements

It is vital for the success of our program that all volunteer roles are filled. We rely on YOU to make sure everything will go smoothly! This program is entirely run by volunteers and without everyone pitching in we would not be able to run it as successfully as we have. I am trying to organize volunteers a bit differently this year. When you register please check if you can either volunteer as a Coach or as a Team Manager - we have struggled filling these positions last year. If you would like to volunteer for the BBQ or SuperSoccerSaturday - I will send out a SignUpGenius Link once I have confirmed dates and times for either event.

We have filled the Coordinator position for Line Painting and Equipment already but are looking for 2 people to organize the BBQ.

- **Head Coach**

- one per team
- coaching clinics will be provided to all interested coaches
- run team practices and games
- head coach or manager responsible for communicating schedules and game cancellations and will serve as the main point of contact for the soccer season
- responsible for equipment pick up and drop-off at beginning and end of season, and managing equipment during season

- **Assistant Coach**

- 1 or more per team
- coaching clinics will be provided to all interested coaches
- support head coach during team practices and games

- **Team Manager**

- one per team
- head coach or manager responsible for communicating schedules and game cancellations and will serve as the main point of contact for the soccer season
- prepare snack schedule, if team agrees on bringing group snacks

- **Field Set Up Coordinator**

- organizes line painting / sets schedule every 2 - 3 weeks

- **Line Painting**

- Set fields / paint lines

- **Equipment Coordinator**

- purchases and distributes equipment for teams

- **Equipment Assistant – one per team**
  - assemble equipment at the Community Association before the season (pump and count balls, pack uniforms, pinnies etc.)
- **BBQ Coordinator**
  - purchase food/supplies and organizes BBQ for Photo Day
  
- **BBQ/Photo Day Volunteers**
  - volunteers for a shift on photo day
- **Super Soccer Saturday Day Volunteers**
  - volunteers for a shift on Super Soccer Saturday
- **Field Measurement**
  - Volunteers are to re-measure Capitol Hill School Field prior to start of the season.
  
- **Soccer Season**
  - Season runs April 22th - June 20th (weather permitting)
  - Games will start May 2nd
  - All practices / games run Tuesday and Thursday 6:30-7:30. **PLEASE NOTE:** U4 has no games and thus only meets Tuesdays
  - Locations for games: > U4, U6, U8 - St. Pius School Field / Capitol Hill School Field  
> U10 Branton Junior High School Field  
> **PLEASE NOTE:** locations may have to change depending on enrollment numbers
  - Locations for U6 / U8 / U10 games will be announced as the schedule will become available, teams play at different locations in Banff Trail / Brentwood / Triwood

- **Dates**

- Season runs April 22nd - June 20th
- Coaches Clinic To Be Announced
- BBQ / Photo Day tentatively May 4th, 3-6
- Super Soccer Saturday June 22nd

- **Equipment**

Please note that we will only be distributing Jerseys. We have no dress code, kids can wear whatever pants / colours they like. Shin pads are required to play to avoid injuries. We recommend cleats for age groups U6 and up due to intensity level.

Please dress for the weather! Weather in Calgary can be unpredictable and we have had snow in the past. It is up to the Coaches to determine if practices games are cancelled - our players often tough it out in snow or rain - make sure you come prepared!

We are looking forward to a great Soccer Season 2019 ahead!

Sincerely,  
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