



April 2013 NEWSLETTER

ROWDIES OFF TO A GOOD START IN 2013 — March was a very good month for West



Virginia Soccer Club with some of our teams taking home 1st place while other results have been very competitive. At the Adidas Turf Classic, March 8th-10th, the U16 boys went undefeated, including a 3-1 win over Westfield Soccer Club in the final. Both the U11 and the U14 boys went undefeated in their groups as well, with the U14's taking home 2nd place and the U11 boys narrowly missing out on a place in the final on goal differential. On the girl's side, the U10 girls dominated the Kick in the Blue Grass Tournament, March 15th-17th. It was an all WVSC final as both U10 girls teams reached the final undefeated in group play, ensuring a Rowdies title. The U12 girls earned 3rd place honors with a record of 2-2, playing up a year in the U13 bracket. The weekend of March 22nd, our U17, U14 Navy and U10 boys competed in the Middletown Spring Blast Tournament. Our U10 boys took home 2nd place after going undefeated in group play. Due to inclement weather, the final was reduced to penalty shots with



the Rowdies on the wrong end of a 1-0 score. Most recently, our U18 girls, U12 girls and U14 boys all came out on top of the West Virginia County Roads league. Great job guys!

NEW SPONSORSHIPS AND PARTNERSHIPS – We are happy to announce our efforts to



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secure partnerships within our community are beginning to pay off. We have secured our first three sponsors of the New Year. First Sentry Bank, Your Town... Your Bank, has offered us a generous donation to help

with our training jerseys as well as our new YMCA Training Academy set to kick off this week. Geoff Sheils, President, stated, "First Sentry Bank is proud to support the West Virginia Soccer Club and the YMCA Training Academy, and we wish all participants nothing but the best." Furthermore, Charleston Internal Medicine has also agreed to help support our club financially. Their donation will help with the training jerseys as well. Lastly, we have signed a partnership agreement with Quantum Soccer Center, located in Hurricane. This is a strategic partnership and offers us a location to sell WVSC apparel and an option to host indoor trainings, fundraisers and WVSC events. Quantum will also be providing the jerseys for us. Lastly, we are finalizing details on an agreement with Barboursville Park to have exclusive use of the fields as our home fields. We are now looking for more sponsors to help with the club in many different





ways from scholarship players to coaching education. If you know of someone who is interested in supporting our club, please have them contact Alex Fatovic, fatovic@live.marshall.edu.

ODP UPDATE — For the first time in the club’s history we have two players on the Region 1 ODP team. Lucas Gocke of the 98’s and Brady Reymond of the 95’s will be traveling to Europe this spring to compete against international competition. This is a great accomplishment for them and for our club. Good job boys. At the same time, many of our players were competing this past weekend at the ODP friendlies in Barboursville against Kentucky ODP. This is unique opportunity to compete against a state from Region 2. The scores were competitive and we would like to thank Thomas Olivier, Bob Gray and the Marshall Men’s Soccer Team for helping set up the fields for the weekend. It was a great success and we are looking forward to June when all our ODP players will compete in the Region 1 tournament in Lawrenceville, NJ.

WEST VIRGINIA OPEN CUP – Every year, West Virginia Soccer Association holds two big tournaments at Barboursville Park, Kohls Cup and the Open Cup. Once again, WVSA has selected West Virginia Soccer Club as the host club. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year, plus many of our teams will be competing as well. As always, our club is only as strong as our volunteers and once again we will need some volunteers to help make this another successful weekend. The Open Cup will be held at Barboursville Park on June 1st and 2nd. We will need volunteers to help field Marshall, help with parking and to just keep us organized. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Stacey McVey, our volunteer coordinator at slmcvey@aol.com. Thanks for your help!

STAFF PROFILE – Kyle Sniatecki – In this month’s newsletter, we decided to focus on a former Marshall Men’s Soccer standout and U15 girls head coach, Kyle Sniatecki. Kyle is one of the newest members of the coaching staff, but still brings a lot of high level experience to the club. Born on May 23rd, 1990 in Buffalo, NY, Kyle grew up playing the game he loves through those brutal upstate New York winters. He currently holds a USSF D license and plans on taking his C license later this year. Kyle, Iceman or the White Stallion, was more of defensive minded player, sitting in that holding defensive midfield role or playing in the center back. His favorite formation is a 4-3-3 and his favorite player is former US international Jay Demerit. When not watching soccer on TV, Kyle is passionate about his Buffalo Bills. He enjoys steak and his favorite music band is Passion Pit as well as Frank Sinatra. During his free time, Iceman prefers to keep in shape or likes to hit the mall for some shopping. As a player, Kyle was the captain of the Region 1 ODP team (the same team Lucas and Brady made) that competed in Austria, England, Germany and Scotland. His coaching philosophy is simple, **“Don’t ever let the pressure of the game be greater than the pleasure of the game.”** Thanks Kyle and good luck to the U15 Girls!

WVSC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 6 – 7	Mid American Soccer Classic Region 1 Colonial League	U12 Girls U16 Boys	April 20	Region 1 Colonial League	U16 Boys
April 8	Monthly Club Meeting 7:00PM – First State Bank		April 26 - 28	Derby Cup Ohio FC Challenge Cup Club X Memorial	U17 Boys U14 Boys U9-12 Girls
April 13 - 14	Mid American Soccer Classic Blast Cup	U9, U10 Boys U14, U17 Boys U12 Boys			

