



FC BERNA

Quarterly Newsletter



December 2019



Spotlight...a word from Jeff Zaun, Director of Coaching:

Welcome back to another installment of our FC Berna Quarterly Newsletter. We want to congratulate and thank all of our players, parents and coaches on a great 2019 fall season! Take a few minutes to read about some of the highlights of the FC Berna/Legacy season. I also want to thank all of our fantastic volunteers and our club board members who continue to work tirelessly to help make FC Berna/Legacy into one of the most successful community minded clubs in the state. Lastly, I want to congratulate our own FC Berna coach Joe LaSpada for leading his Bernards High School team to the Group 2 NJ State Championship with a 2-0 win over Delran in front of a great crowd at Kean University. Congratulations Coach Joe! Have a safe and happy holiday!

Fall Highlights:

- **Expanded FC Berna - New York Red Bulls Youth Development Partnership** - Beginning this fall, FC Berna expanded its partnership with NY Red Bulls to include a complete club development program for our Total Soccer Program, including Red Bulls coaching staff, team training, player clinics and more.
- **EDP Festivals for Legacy Futures** - Our new Legacy Futures program continued to grow with teams attending local EDP Festivals this fall.
- **Berna Travel Kick-Off Night** - Our Travel Program celebrated its first ever "Kick-Off Night", with games, snacks and fun for all teams.
- **Legacy Premier College Soccer Information Night** - Legacy players were invited to a presentation given by Patrick Naughter, Head Coach for Women's Soccer at Montclair State. Coach Naughter spoke about the college recruiting process and offered a Q & A after his presentation.
- **Appearances by New York Red Bulls Street Team & player Brian White** - In October, FC Berna players were treated to a skills performance by the NY Red Bulls Street Team and also the opportunity to meet player and leading goal-scorer Brian White.
- **Berna Travel Picture Day** - FC Berna sponsored our annual Picture Day for all Travel teams, providing players and families with a photo package of individual and team photos.
- **FC Berna Fall Finale Tournament** - In partnership with Full 360 Soccer, our 2nd Club-sponsored tournament almost doubled in size from our Summer Blast Off. The Fall Finale took place in November and hosted 64 teams across all age groups from 27 different clubs, all on our local fields.
- **Berna Cares** - As part of our ongoing philanthropic efforts, FC Berna partnered with Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation for "JDRF Awareness Day" to raise awareness about Type 1 juvenile diabetes and research. We also continued collection of cleats for our "Soccer Gear 4 Kids Drive".

Fall Highlight Photo Gallery:



**Red Bull Street Team
Performance
and
Brian White
Player Appearance**



Legacy Futures



EDP Festival



**Halloween
Spookfest**



Fall Highlight Photo Gallery:



Berna Travel Kick-Off Night



JDRF Awareness Day



Congratulations to the following players on their college commitments!



- Allison Cudmore - Dickinson College
- Sarah Cudmore - Dickinson College
- Jamie Geissler - Wilkes University
- Juliet Lardieri - Moravian College
- Macey Mento - Dickinson College
- Maya Ruhalter - Susquehanna University
- Regina Russo - Muhlenburg College

LEGACY PLAYER REMINDER: Don't forget to update your College Fit Finder!



Tournament Wins – Congratulations!



Legacy 06 Boys-Parsippany Pride Champions



**Legacy 09 Boys
APL Explorer Cup Champions**



Legacy 07 Girls-APL Explorer Cup Champions



FC Berna Fall Finale Tournament Winners

Congratulations to all teams!



Legacy 2009 Boys
 Legacy 2008 Boys
 Legacy 2005 Boys
 Legacy 2003 Boys

Legacy 2007 Girls
 Legacy 2003 Girls Gold



FC Berna has the following opportunities available:

WANT
TO
GET
INVOLVED?



- **Volunteer Team Manager & Assistant Coach** for Berna Travel teams.
- **Member, Board of Trustees** – Parents who are interested in shaping the direction of the Club are encouraged to apply to join the volunteer Board of Trustees. We welcome professionals with all backgrounds, including IT, accounting, finance, administration, law and insurance.
- **Referees** for All level of recreation and competitive soccer in the area. Great part time job for young adults as well.

Important Reminders:

☑ There is still time - sign up for our winter programs: Futsal, Total Soccer and Legacy Futures! See website for more details.

☑ Don't forget customized FC Berna and Legacy cold weather gear and accessories are available to order from our FC Berna team store at soccer.com.

☑ Stay sharp over the winter! Check out 70+ skills videos on our FC Berna website to learn and practice various skills.

Questions?

- Check out the FAQ section or locate our list of contacts on the FC Berna website at: www.fcberna.com



Up next ... Winter Futsal and Winter Training!

