

## **FC BERNA**

### **Quarterly Newsletter**



Spring 2020



#### **Spotlight...a word from Total Soccer Program Director Mark Dutton:**

Dear players and families,

With Spring season just around the corner for Travel, Legacy and Total Soccer I would like to thank everybody for all your hard work over the winter. Futsal was enjoyed by our players this winter and I have been able to coach, watch and work with all three programs. Our futsal programs have been a huge success and players have improved on foot skills, teamwork, style of play, endurance and finishing. I have to say I am extremely excited for the Spring season and I hope you are too. Helping our players grow with a smile on their face is my true goal as we look to expand our programs. With hard work and dedication I know we will be able to achieve those goals while keeping standards to the highest level possible. I will be on our fields most every day, please take the time to say hi and let me know if you have any questions. I am only happy to help guide you.

#### **Winter Highlights:**

- *Winter Training* All of our programs took their training indoors this winter, ensuring opportunities for our players to stay active and keep their skills sharp over the winter months.
- *Futsal Festivals* FC Berna-Legacy once again sponsored our popular Futsal Festivals over 3 weekends this winter. These Festivals have been hugely successful, and this year expanded to include over 130 teams from 22 different clubs! In total, over 800 players were able to participate in this fantastic program!
- **Community Outreach** During the month of December, FC Berna participated in the Lord Stirling Environmental Education Center's annual Festival of Trees. Our "Berna Cares" soccer-themed tree was also a collection point for our ongoing Soccer Gear 4 Kids soccer cleat drive, collecting cleats for charity.

#### **Please Welcome:**



New additions to our FC Berna Board of Directors: Cheryl Thorpe & Jonathan Kelly

\*\* Are YOU interested in getting involved? \*\*

FC Berna has the following opportunities available:

- 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. A great part time job for young adults as well.

#### **Spring Programming:**



- Total Soccer and PEC registration **now open**.
- Spring session with special Kick-Off Day begins March 27-28.



- Travel Soccer season opens March 22!
- A few spots still available check website for open tryouts taking place in March.
- Be sure to check Team Snap for spring schedules.
- Looking ahead Berna Travel 2020/21 tryouts take place in May. Information posted soon.



- Legacy Premier teams open spring season with tournament play at Baltimore Mania, EDP Spring Classic, STA Spring Kick-Off and others.
- Looking ahead Legacy Premier 2020/21 & High School team tryouts take place in April. Tryout registration information available on our FC Berna website.

#### **Winter Gallery:**





#### **Important Announcements & Reminders:**

# SAVE THE DATE!

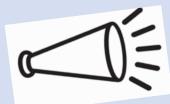
#### Annual FC Berna Club outing at the NY Red Bulls!

- NY Red Bulls vs. Philadelphia Union, June 6, 6:00pm
- 11 Exclusive Player Escort packages
- Individual game tickets
- Information available soon on our FC Berna website. Stay tuned!









#### **Calling All High School Players!**

- ✓ Did you know FC Berna offers volunteer opportunities that are approved by Ridge High School towards required mandatory community service hours?
- ✓ Did you know FC Berna offers scholarships to graduating high school seniors? The Jack Kimzey Memorial Scholarship application is available on our FC Berna website.

Look for the FC Berna-Legacy Tent at Charter Day in Basking Ridge on May 16<sup>th</sup>!

Check out Travel and Legacy tryout information for the 2020/21 season on our website!

FC Berna and Legacy Summer Camp information available soon!

SAVE THE DATE!

Customized FC Berna and Legacy apparel & accessories are always available from our FC Berna team store at Soccer.com.

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