

VAQUEROS MONTHLY

Official Newsletter of Poway Vaqueros Soccer Club



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Director's Report

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We as coaches have been long motivated by how to create an environment of competitiveness and determination in our everyday youth training environment. As coaches, we all want to develop each young player's ability to trap and pass, to run with the ball, to dribble past defenders in 1v1 situations and to be sufficient with both feet. But how many of us make competition and the 'never say die' attitude (as it relates to nearly everything) a 'primary' focus of each and every training session? Are we missing out on an important piece of youth development – the unrelenting will to win?

Anson Dorrance, coach of the 23 time NCAA Championship UNC women's soccer program, said, "It is not your talent that is going to be the difference maker for you...it is your athletic character."

So how can we (as coaches) do a better job to create an environment which not only improves the most talented players, but equally provides measurable growth potential for the players whose talent might not show so brightly? While technical proficiency and athletic ability may be the areas of the biggest difference between your stronger and weaker players, the greatest potential for improvement (for any player) is their commitment to hard work. Dorrance said, "Often, I find myself rewarding the less naturally talented kid who shows up to every training session and works his/her tail off to improve rather than start the player whose talent might scream in comparison." One of Coach Dorrance's most famous quotes that we all as coaches should try and live by is, in my opinion, "You (the player) get the choice to show up and compete. I (the coach) get the choice of whether or not to play you."

We at PVSC want to continue to strive to create a team environment in which players are constantly competing for every inch. While working with natural talent will always be any coach's preferred choice, it is not often a reality. We often have to work quite hard to help a young player to only begin to reach for their potential and try to reach their ultimate goal!





Scenario: Viewing your schedule and realizing you start league with back to back (Saturday/Sunday) games against SDSC

Outcome: Walking into practice on Monday feeling pretty good about yourself because you won 3-1 and 5-1 while playing MUCH BETTER soccer. Great job B07!

"Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard."

-TIM NOTKE



Remember-- No skills clinic during league!

Team Spotlight

COACH CHRIS - G07

Our Girls 07 team has had a great start to their season! They beat PYSL Blast 2-1 on Saturday and pulled off a 4-3 come from behind win against DV7 on Sunday.

Captain Jordan Lemler said, "I think the tournaments prepared us because we played high level teams. We got the hang of it and were able to play a lot smoother than the beginning of the season. I feel really good because we had two exciting games where we had to play the entire game."



"I am super proud of the girls for coming back in both games and not giving up. They showed heart and tenacity and showed what it means to be a Vaquero!" -Coach Chris



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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

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Dinner and Dessert Night Out

Thank you to everyone who came out to our Chipotle and Baskin Robbins Dinning for Dollars



September Activities!

THURSDAY 12TH - COLLEGE NIGHT AT PVSC

An opportunity for PVSC parents and Players to attend to find out about the process of playing at the college level.

Register Now: <https://forms.gle/csfSmNvhCrpjRZdc8>



MONDAY 30TH - 2ND ANNUAL PVSC RAFFLE

Help the Poway Vaqueros raise money for practice and field equipment. Have ticket buyer fill out name, address and phone number. Give them the large part of the ticket and keep the small part in your envelope. (This is the part that will be entered into the drawing) Remind them to tune in to the live drawing! Turn in your envelope with the money and the small part of your tickets to your coach by September 26.

1ST PRIZE: LG 55" 4K Ultra HD LED LCD

2ND PRIZE: \$100 CASH

3RD PRIZE: \$50 AMAZON GIFT CARD

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
PHONE _____



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October Activities!

FRIDAY 25TH - BATTLE OF THE SHOT STOPPERS (GOALIE WARS)

Goalie Wars will be held at Arbolitos Sports Fields.

If you have never played goalie wars its a fast paced 1v1 game where goalies compete against each other in 3 minute games. The goalkeeper who scores the most goals in that time period wins the game. The tournament is played in a round robin format. Our Tournament age ranges are 2010 - 2005, boys and girls are both welcome to enter

Register Now: <https://pysl.squarespace.com/battle-of-the-shot-stoppers>



THURSDAY 31ST - HALLOWEEN NO PRACTICE



November Activities!

NOVEMBER 24TH - PVSC SOCKERS NIGHT

The age bracket with the most tickets sold will be able to participate in the halftime game (league must sell 200 to qualify).

Purchase link: Coming Soon

NOVEMBER 24TH - PVSC SOCCER SHOTZ 4V4 TOURNAMENT

End the season with some fun and friendly competition at our first ever 4v4 tournament. Our Tournament age ranges are 2010 - 2007, boys and girls are both welcome to enter

Purchase link: <https://pysl.squarespace.com/pvscsoccershotz>

Coupon Code: Register by end of September to get \$10 off (code: FUNSOCCER)



December Activities!

DECEMBER 30TH - JAN 3RD - PVSC 4 DAY WINTER CAMP

Keep those skill sharp with our 4 Day Winter Camp. Each camper will receive a full uniform to wear to camp (Shirt, Shorts and Socks).

Purchase link: <https://pysl.squarespace.com/pvscsoccershotz>

Coupon Code: Register by end of October to get \$10 off (code: WINTERCAMP)

