

On behalf of the Hockessin Soccer Club's Board of Directors, I would like to congratulate all our players as we near the end of another year of soccer. Almost a thousand instructional players and forty-two representative teams enjoyed a fun and challenging environment as they worked on developing their individual and team skills.

Many of our representative and instructional teams recently participated in annual state tournaments. It is a sign of the dedication and hard work of our players, professional training staff, coaches, parents and volunteers this past year that we once again have enjoyed significant success.

Sixteen Hockessin representative teams participated in the First State Cup this year. Ten reached the championship match in their respective age groups. HSC teams won seven out of the ten championship matches and added another uncontested champion for a total of eight State Cups. The most State Cups won by any other club in our State association was two. In addition, HSC had more teams competing in the First State Cup than any other club in the State. Our HSC champions will represent the State of Delaware at the Region 1 Tournament in West Virginia.

2009 marks the third year in a row that HSC teams won more State Cups than any other club in the State. Over the last four years HSC has won twenty-seven State Cups or 44% of the championship matches. Over the last three years the percentage of championship matches won by HSC increases to 52%. The club's philosophy of individual player development, teaching the fundamental technical and tactical aspects of the game at the earliest stages of player participation is confirmed by these trends and the overall success of our teams.

#### First State Cup (State Championship) Results:

Girls U12 – HSC Ladyhawks – Champion  
Girls U13 – HSC Blast – Champion  
Girls U15 – HSC Hotspur – Finalist  
Girls U16 – HSC Academy Select – Champion  
Girls U18 – HSC Havoc – Finalist

Boys U12 – HSC Thunder – Champion  
Boys U13 – HSC Arsenal – Champion  
Boys U14 – HSC Heat – Champion  
Boys U15 – HSC Strikers Premier – Champion  
Boys U17 – HSC Clash – Finalist  
Boys U18 – HSC Predators – Semi-Finalist  
Boys U19 – HSC Blizzard – Champion

Two Hockessin Instructional teams entered the Delaware Cup, DYSA's spring instructional tournament. One won its age group, the other was a semi-finalist playing up a year. The details are below:

#### Delaware Cup (Instructional State Championship) Results:

Boys U12 - HSC Phantoms - Champion  
Boys U14 - HSC Sables - Semi-Finalist in U15

Much of the club's success in regards to player development and the team success that typically results from it are due to our Director of Coaching, Scott Mosier and the quality staff of professional trainers he has developed. Scott's talents are easily seen on the field, but most of our club does not see the behind the scenes vision, dedication and hard work Scott brings to our club. His professionalism and dedication to teaching kids the game of soccer touches virtually every player and coach in this club through many different avenues.

We congratulate these teams and players for the success resulting from their efforts. This spring over 1600 HSC boys and girls learned a lot about soccer, teamwork, sportsmanship and a few life lessons sprinkled in for seasoning. I want to personally thank all the parents and volunteers who support our club and give their time so that our kids can enjoy this great game. Without you none of this is possible. THANK YOU!

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