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Bulls Calendar

- 01/01 Holiday - New Years Day
- 01/02 Hawaii Tide American Cup-Entry Forms Due, 04:00 p.m., Soccerama
- 01/04 HSC Bulls Coaches Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Paki Hale
- 01/07 Oahu League BOD meeting, 7:15 p.m., Gentry Pacific Center
- 01/10 Start of the winter season
- 01/10 Start of Fast Foot Work
- 01/14 Oahu League Spring Coaches meeting
- 01/14 – 18 NSCAA Annual Coaches Convention, Charlotte, N.C.
- 01/18 HSC Bulls Coaches and Managers meeting, 7:00 p.m., Paki Hale
- 01/19 Holiday – Martin Luther King Day
- 01/20 Newsletter deadline for January issue
- 01/30 Oahu League 13 – U19 Team Reservation's due, 04:00 p.m., Soccerama
- 01/30 Hawaii Tide American Cup - Rosters Frozen

Message from the President

Happy New Year One and All!

We are now half way through our seasonal year and 2003 went out with a bang. The 6th Annual Pro-Xtreme Christmas Camp was a success. The camp saw returning college athletes assist three professionals in putting on another great Bulls' event. Major League Soccer (MLS) Champion Brian Ching (San Jose Earthquakes), Women's United Soccer Association (WUSA) veterans Andrea Alfiler (San Diego Spirit) and Robin McCullough (Carolina Courage) were the featured stars. Fortunately, the rain held out for most of the camp,

making life easier for Michele Bray and her terrific volunteer staff and for Phil Neddo, Briana O'Dowd and their excellent team of Club and college coaches. It is always difficult telling who had more fun – the campers, coaches or pros!

There are many facets to the Pro-Xtreme Camp, all equally important and significant.

First is providing youth players one more opportunity to improve their skills.

Secondly, the Camp enables these young athletes to mingle with players that are their heroes. What a thrill it must be for these players to take on athletes such as Brian, Andrea, Robin, Maile Tave or Seline Williams. Or put one in the goal past Andrew, Adam or Josh. If you look at the recent additions to the web site by our webmaster, Miles Tsuruoka, you can't help but be impressed by the list of alumni doing well and making the news while playing the beautiful game in college. These same young men and women have spent 4 days of their Christmas break teaching and inspiring your sons and daughters. This signifies another aspect of Pro-Xtreme; that of giving back.

Finally, the Pro-Xtreme is not just about the HSC Bulls. We actually want this camp to be an avenue for novice players to catch the soccer fever like existing Bulls' players already had. The amazing thing to me is that we even have coaches and college players not affiliated with the Club working the camp. Pro-Xtreme isn't about the Club; it is about soccer and people enjoying it so much that they give up holiday time to participate. Next year we hope to make it grow to 200 campers, so let your friends know about it now.

Thanks so much to all who put in many hours of hard work to make the 6th Annual Pro-Xtreme a success.

See you next year!

NSCAA/adidas® 2003 Youth All-America Girls Region VI Soccer Team

Congratulations to Allison Lipsher, who the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) honored recently by naming her to the NSCAA/adidas® 2003 Youth All-America Girls Region VI Soccer Team. Allison has been a steadfast member of the HSC Bulls since she was 7 years old. She makes the Club and her coaches very proud.

Back when Allison was U10 or U11, her coach at the time (Les Aubrey) asked Adam Sthay to be her first goalkeeper coach. Evidently, Adam did a very good job.

February Open Forum

The HSC Bulls Board of Directors (BOD) is hosting an open forum meeting for all members on Tuesday, February 10 from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. This is your opportunity to ask any questions you may have about your membership in the Club.

Keiki Bulls Recreation League

The Keiki Bulls will begin January 8. If you have siblings interested in joining us please sign up online at <https://www.youthleaguesusa.com/honolulu/2004/WelcomeKeiki.html>

Jamboree

The HSC Bulls would like to thank all teams participating in the Jamboree from both the Club and our guest teams. Without the guest teams, the Club would not have an annual Jamboree.

Also, the Club would like to thank our many volunteers who made the



Jamboree a success. First, the BOD thanks Britta Bourne, Lauren and Ashley Kanda, Sydney Meheulu, Kiani Wong, Ariel Stenek, Tamra Nee, Hillary Thompson, Kauai Wong, Kate Wilhite, Scott Perske, David Gualdarama and Michael Nakagawa for their dedication and giving back to the Club each year. Also, thanks to our coaches (both staff and volunteer) and Board members – Phil Neddo, Briana O'Dowd, Jose Dydasco, Rick Chong, Craig Sullivan, David Trifonovitch, Sam Shomaker, Antonio Espinoza, Ray Botelho, Michael Stollar, Miles Tsuruoka, Allen Yokoyama, Michael Watson and Les Aubrey. And to our dedicated volunteer parents - Nathan Abregano, Jason Cabaal, Andrew Pascoe, Gene Gillis, Alan Uehara, Rob Ewert, Brian Emmons, Ian Yee, Lee Yamamoto and Sandor Mile. If anyone was forgotten, we truly apologize.

Kapaolono District Park Klean-up

By Ken Perske

Mahalo to Matt Bush, Kevin Fung, Stephen Fung, Justin Katto, Kea Hashimoto, Kenny Ogata, Gerald Akai, Phil Neddo and Board Members Larry Stenek and Ken Perske for participating in the Kapaolono clean up last month, December 13. In return for permission to use the park for practice, players and parents distributed soil and mulch and planted new grass in an attempt to rejuvenate the well used field. We hope the recent torrential rains did not wash away all your hard work.

Customer Survey

By Ken Perske

Thank you to the seven parents who took the time to complete and return the customer satisfaction survey distributed in a previous newsletter. The feedback was interesting and valuable, but not statistically significant with such small numbers returned. The BOD is pleased that the general membership is satisfied with the club's services.

Success through Education

By Ken Perske

Players, if you recall from the October newsletter, the Club would like to reward you for your hard work in the classroom, in addition to the hard work we see at practice and during matches. If your GPA is 3.5 - 3.74, you qualify as a Scholar. If your GPA is 3.75 - 4.0, you are a Star Scholar. The Club would like to reward these efforts with a small token of our appreciation. Please provide your team manager with a copy of your grades.

Team managers; please email Ken Perske (kennethp@kapiolani.org) a list of the players that qualify, along with their GPA.

Adam Sthay in the Goal!!!



The HSC Bulls would like to say good luck to Adam as he goes to the InfoSport's fourth annual Pro Soccer Combine that is taking place January 8 – 10, 2004 in Cocoa, Florida. A limited number of participants at each position will be paced through two and a half days of games, with complete games available on video tape.

What sets InfoSport's *Pro Soccer Combines* apart from so many other seemingly similar events is that theirs are produced in a combine format. What that means for the players that participate is that the data which they generate on each player is made available to EVERY professional soccer team around the world through a variety of distribution methods. The list of invited guests includes pro coaches, general managers, scouts and agents from around the world. Coaches from WUSA, MLS, A-League, Major Indoor Soccer League (MISL), Pro Select League Premier Development League (PDL) and W-League teams were in attendance at past events to scout and evaluate players.

Draft-eligible college seniors, pro soccer veterans and qualified free

agents seeking contracts in the MLS, A-League, Pro Select League, MISL, WUSA or W-League, or any international league, may attend InfoSport's *Pro Soccer Combine*. There, they will be evaluated by a professional soccer coaching staff headed by current MLS and former A-League coach, Daryl Shore.

The data that is collected on each combine participant is paired with that individual's comprehensive soccer resume and written combine scouting report, to provide each player with the most comprehensive and credible written tools to market their soccer talents. InfoSport then makes these player reports available to all MLS, A-League, Pro Select League, PDL and MISL teams for men and WUSA and W-League teams for women. In addition, international teams and agents have complete access to our online database of player profiles.

Soccer Trivia GOOOOAAAALLL!

By Ken Perske

Pope John 23rd played soccer for Poland in his youth. What position did he play?

Congratulations to Lauren Uehara, Joshua Amoroso, Katie Yanagi, Anuhea Gillis and Geena Fong for:

- 1) Reading the newsletter, and
- 2) Correctly answering last month's trivia question. Pope John was a keeper! Enjoy your gift for answering correctly.

Soccer Trivia

By Ken Perske

What Football Club has the most championships, and how many, in the Champion's League?

The first 3 correct responses to kennethp@kapiolani.org are winners.