

Hello SOSA Members~

It is unfortunate that we must announce the cancelation of our 2020 Fall Recreational Season. There are several reasons for this decision and there was much effort put forth to try and make the best opportunity available for all our players, coaches and families.

1. Safety considerations... We are currently in Phase 2 still within Southern Oregon and the health and safety of our players and families is our priority. Even with rigorous and costly protocols in place, we could not guarantee that the transference of infectious disease could be controlled while putting so many coaches/players/family members in proximity multiple times weekly.

2. Phoenix/Talent School District is not currently allowing access to their fields by outside agents. Other than school-based fields for practices and games, there are no other safe, local options. We do not have confirmation on when school-based fields will be available for use by outside agents.

3. The Development League of Southern Oregon has canceled their 2020 Recreational Season, of which SOSA is a member. The DLSO is developing an option to 'normal' team play which we hope will help families and players in our communities that are disappointed with the cancelation of the recreational soccer season.

SOSA Representatives have worked alongside our local recreational league (Development League of Southern Oregon) to help create an option for play open to all players within our Rogue Valley. We feel that this option will help to serve our membership and get players out playing soccer once again in the safest possible manner. This option leaves the decision for play up to the families and does not require weekly practices.

Here is a link to Register for the DLSO Community Play Dates during Sept., Oct. and Nov. More information is located in this Registration Link: <https://dls.leagueapps.com/> -The link will be live soon!

SOSA will open up a 2021 Spring Registration Window on December 1st, which will run through February 15th. We are planning on holding a 'normal' spring season within our communities of Phoenix and Talent. Registration information and an online portal will be added to our website. *-Please know that we will not be 'rolling players over' to the spring season. All participants must register anew for spring 2021.*

*Please know that it has been our intent to make sure that all previous payments for the 2020 Spring Season were refunded. Please reach out to SOSA via email in order to confirm a refund through PayPal or by mail if you have not received one and are interested in obtaining one. -please know that providing a mailing address will be required.

In Other News...

We would like to announce and welcome our New SOSA Board Members for 2020/21! -Please know that SOSA is a non-profit entity and all our officers volunteer their time and dedicate their efforts toward helping to provide opportunities for our children to build lifelong skills in the sport of soccer.

President: Christopher Van Ness

Vice President: Marcus Welch

Registrar: Alicia Stormberg

Treasurer: Charles Kief

Director of Coaching: Chris Gallegos

Members at Large: William and Patricia King

Thank you all for your support and understanding during this time of change and adaptation within our local communities. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer or if you have any questions as we move forward together in the continued pursuit of this 'beautiful game'!

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