



LOWER ISLAND SOCCER ASSOCIATION
DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT CENTRE
SENIOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS
U-14 - U-18

INTRODUCTION:

The British Columbia Soccer Association's District Development Centre (DDC) Programs have been established to provide a Provincial wide development strategy as it pertains to players, coaches and officials . The DDC will provide a recognized and supported development program. These programs will offer the following to its players in regards to development.

- Established Player Development Programs and the introduction of a monitoring and reporting structure.
- Standardized visiting schedule by BCSA Staff coaches for player evaluations.
- Development information and resource material for the players.
- Policies and procedures for access to the National Training Centre, Provincial Teams and Super Y-League.

The DDC will constantly evaluate and encourage the players to reach their goals by providing an environment that will challenge the player. The players progress will be under the direction of Alan Churchard, Director of Soccer Development and certified, capable coaches , Dante Zanatta , Frank Woods, David Ravenhill and Steph Steiner, amongst others. The programs will be based upon a commitment to responsible, educational and effective player development. The programs will focus on the implementation of fundamental skill, tactical, physical and mental development.

The goal of the DDC is to advance players through its development programs for ultimate selection into the Super Y-league and Provincial Teams .

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

The Senior DDC programs (U-14 to U-18) are comprised of 2 specific programs; the High Performance Program and the Accelerated Development Program. These programs are available to all registered youth players in the Lower Island District. This includes youth players playing from club teams to the Adult League teams, Premier Women's and Div. 1 Men's. The only restriction is that the player must be able to play at the level of skill, fitness and game play set for the program.

HIGH PERFORMANCE:

The High Performance has been designed to support the strongest players in the district. These are players that can presently show the skill, tactical, physical and mental capability to compete for an opportunity on a Provincial Team.

Entry into this program is by invitation only.

DDC coaches have been visiting all factions of the soccer community to assess players for invitation into the program. The initial process began with the Select/ Metro teams and has progressed into Club Gold and Adult teams.

If a Club or one of its technical committee coaches feel that they have a player who should be assessed for involvement in the program please contact Alan Churchard:
achurchard@lowerislandsoccer.com for the player to receive an assessment.

All assessments are made under game conditions. The coach and player will be informed as to when the assessment will take place.

A player invited into the program will be further assessed for 3 program sessions before final inclusion into the program. Once in the program the player must show a strong commitment to development or they may be released. The door is always open throughout the year for new players to be invited into the program.

PROGRAM DETAILS:

Sundays

U12/13/14 Noon - 2pm Indoors, Eagle Ridge Community Ctr.

Wednesdays

U15/16/17 6:00 – 8:00 pm Indoors, Eagle Ridge Community Ctr.

Mondays

U12/13/14 5:30 – 6:45 pm Outdoors, Topaz Park.

Mondays

U15/16/17 6:45 – 8:00 pm Outdoors, Topaz Park.

ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM:

This program is designed to support those players who show strong skill, tactical and physical capabilities and are committed to advancing in the game, but, are not yet at the level of the High Performance Program. Initial assessments for this program will be done through a process of open trials (unless a player has been previously assessed) by the DDC Coaches. After the initial trials, players may still be assessed at a later date by the DDC coaches and brought into the program. A player who excels in this program has the opportunity of advancing into the High Performance Program.

Players who are interested in attending this program are to contact Alan Churchard at,
achurchard@lowerislandsoccer.com.

Trial schedules will be listed on the LISA web page.

BCSA DDC VISITING SCHEDULE:

October 13-14-15-16 – BCSA staff coaches Marcus Reinkens and David Shankland attending.

Friday October 13th 5:30pm – 8:30pm Braefoot Park workshop for coaches, coordinators, administrators responsible for Grassroots (mini) programs.

November 17-18-19

December 8-9-10

January 26-27-28

February 16-17-18

[Provincial Teams Program](#) **This is a link.**

All programs will be directed and assessed by Alan Churchard , Director of Soccer Development for the Lower Island Soccer Association