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To: Team Contacts, Team Officials, Coaches

2020-2021 Arizona Federal Credit Union Advanced Leagues - November 13-15 Weekend Updates

Teams,

This weekend I am putting some of the "reminders" at the top because they continue to be brought up or at games aren't being done.

MUST KNOW ITEMS & REMINDERS:

- For those in ODP, you have been advised by our Technical Director Chris Blundell that your league game is your first priority.
- COVID PROTOCOLS
- 1. For those that ask about rescheduling a game, the league **DOES reschedule games** when COVID PROTOCOLS are being followed. This ability for the season to continue and adjust to the multiple rescheduled games due to VALID Positive Case submittals has required all of your help and flexibility.
- 2. Here is the [LINK](#) to the page. You must submit the ASA Notification form for a Positive COVID case. Being concerned about COVID is natural but **DOES NOT** lead to automatically rescheduling a game. Did you know the roster minimum to start a game is 7 players?
- 3. Club Officials, Teams, Clubs are required to notify us as soon as they are notified of a positive COVID case. Derek Yen's interpretation of "as soon" **is NOT** 2-7 days later..
- 4. Once ASA is notified from the form submittal, we go back to contact teams, referees, and staff that were potentially in close contact and we go forward to contact teams, referees, and facilities for any postponed games.
- 5. Players, Coaches, and Team Officials: As indicated in the protocols to quarantine, ASA will "red line" quarantined individuals which you will see on your game cards. That means that person is not allowed to be participating.
- 6. COVID Rescheduling: Teams while the High School Winter Soccer Season in several districts is being delayed, the opportunity to reschedule games has now closed to a narrow crack for those age groups. Each individual scenario will be communicated to impacted teams should it occur.
- SPECTATORS and MASKS: Last weekend at all locations, many coaches and teams are not doing a good enough job of wearing masks. I have observed teams with less than 20% mask usage on their spectator sidelines and zero players on the bench wearing masks. **Coaches you are responsible for this.**
- **Lastly for the 3rd week in a row (because there have been incidents in each week), I will remind....it is the Head Coach's responsibility to control their bench, technical area, and spectators actions. I will remind again and elaborate further... this means your players cannot leave their bench area as well if an incident precipitates on the field. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS or delegate to an assistant to know what to do. Multiple coaches this season have been reminded how they have not fulfilled this responsibility.**

Here is where we are playing this weekend:

- Copper Sky (Friday and Saturday): ASA Staff and Athletic Trainers will be there both days. **Spectators continue to be allowed on the field following the ASA Spectator Seating layout and all must wear masks.**
- Peoria Pioneer Park (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday): ASA Staff will be there and Athletic Trainers on Friday only. **Spectators continue to be allowed on the field following the ASA Spectator Seating layout and all must wear masks.**
- Eagles Park (Saturday and Sunday): ASA Staff and Athletic Trainers will be there both days. **Spectators are not permitted on the field and must view the game from behind the fenced areas and all must wear a mask. Only players, Coaches, and Team Officials may be on the field.**

- Red Mountain Soccer Complex (Sunday): ASA Staff and Athletic Trainer will be there. **Spectators are not permitted on the field and must view the game from behind the fenced areas and all must wear a mask. Only players, Coaches, and Team Officials may be on the field.**
- NOS Santos (Saturday): ASA Staff will be there. No Athletic Trainer. **Spectators continue to be allowed on the field following the ASA Spectator Seating layout and all must wear masks.**
- CCV (Saturday): CCV Church staff will be there. No Athletic Trainers. **Spectators continue to be allowed on the field following the ASA Spectator Seating layout and all must wear masks.**
- Tucson Kino South (Saturday and Sunday): ASA Staff will be there. No Athletic Trainer. **Spectators continue to NOT BE ALLOWED on the field and must remain outside the gate.** BREAK BETWEEN GAMES IS NOW 30 MINUTES TO ALLOW FOR TRANSITION OF GAMES. I HAVE ADDED AN ADDITIONAL 5-15 MINUTES ON TOP OF THAT FOR THIS WEEKEND. **SEE THE FOLLOWING:**
 1. **NO SPECTATORS PERMITTED ON THE FIELD. THERE ARE GOOD VIEWPOINTS BEHIND THE FENCED AREAS.**
 2. **DO NOT CONGREGATE AT THE GATE ENTRANCE. THERE IS NO SHADE TO WAIT AT THE GATE. DO NOT APPROACH THE GATE UNTIL 20 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR GAME TIME.**
 3. **PARK WILL ONLY ALLOW YOU TO ENTER THE GATE WHEN THE PRIOR GAME HAS VACATED. I RECOMMEND NOT APPROACHING THE GATE ANY EARLIER THAN 20 MINUTES PRIOR TO YOUR GAME IF THERE IS A GAME BEFORE YOU.**
 4. **COACHES PLAN YOUR PREGAME WARMUP BEFORE YOU ENTER THE GATE. DO YOUR STRETCHING PRIOR TO ENTERING.**
 5. **TEAMS FINISHING THEIR GAME NEED TO QUICKLY VACATE THE FIELD. NO POST GAME TEAM DEBRIEFS ALLOWED ON THE FIELD.**

US Youth Desert Conference Teams: If you have not picked up your patches, you will need to arrange picking them up at the ASA office or I can give them to you at Reach 11 at the event. If you want to arrange picking them up at the office, please email me at advancedleagues@azyouthsoccer.org. Earliest you can pick them up at the ASA office will be Wednesday, November 18.

Important Notes:

- I will not be available this weekend from Friday to Sunday if you try to reach me by phone or email.

Good Luck this weekend. Temperatures are back up Sunday potentially.

Sincerely,
Derek