



**PASC**  
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# September to Remember

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**WELCOME TO THE PALO ALTO SOCCER CLUB**

**19TH ANNUAL TALL TREES TOURNAMENT**

Our Tall Tree Tournament was a tremendous success. Because of the expansion to 130 teams to accommodate additional age groups and silver brackets, Tall Trees was a truly a logistical challenge for our volunteer organization. The tournament required 17 fields across 8 sites, about 700 referee slots and hundreds of hours from volunteers.

The board would like to thank everyone that put in so much time organizing and preparing before the tournament, marshaling or refereeing or helping in any way during the tournament and even yesterday getting fields and equipment back to pre-tournament locations. Our volunteers provided a great face to the Club and we have received many positive comments from visiting teams, which bodes well for having teams return next year.

We still need to calculate the bottom line after all expenses are tallied, but we do expect we will be in a better position to help our Club's scholarship players over the next year.



*JLS Marshals and Referees*



*Mayfield Marshals*

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**SUCCESS ON THE FIELD**

Congratulations to all 17 PASC teams competing in the tournament. All had fun and many found success with 9 placing in the top four, including three champions:

➤ **Girls U10 Bronze**

- 1st - PALO ALTO SC 06G BLUE
- 3rd - PALO ALTO SC 05G WHITE

➤ **Girls U11 Bronze**

- PALO ALTO SC 04G WHITE

➤ **Girls U11 Copper**

- PALO ALTO SC 04G RED

➤ **Girls U12 Bronze**

- 4th - PALO ALTO SC 03G WHITE

➤ **Girls U13 Silver**

- 1st - PALO ALTO SC 02G BLUE

➤ **Girls U14 Bronze**

- 1st - PALO ALTO SC 01G WHITE

➤ **Boys U9 Bronze**

- 2nd - PALO ALTO SC 06B WHITE
- PALO ALTO SC 07B BLUE
- PALO ALTO SC 06B RED

➤ **Boys U10 Bronze**

- PALO ALTO SC 05B GREEN
- PALO ALTO SC 05B RED

➤ **Boys U11 Bronze**

- 2nd - PALO ALTO SC 05B WHITE

➤ **Boys U12 Silver**

- 3rd - PALO ALTO SC 03B WHITE

➤ **Boys U13 Silver**

- 4th - PALO ALTO SC 02B WHITE

➤ **Boys U13 Bronze**

- PALO ALTO SC 02B RED

➤ **Boys U14 Bronze**

- 3rd - PALO ALTO SC 01B WHITE



*Trophies and Medals*

Trophies and medals lined up and ready for those placing in their brackets.



*Cubberley Marshals*

Some teams completed their club level volunteer responsibility as marshals. It would not have happened without you.



*Youth Referees Check-in at JLS*

Referees are the largest expense for the Tall Trees Tournament. It was great to see so much of the money went back to our young players. Be on the lookout for the next referee training to get an influx of new referees.



*More Mayfield Marshals*

## PASC Picnic

The first ever PASC Picnic is scheduled on October 10 from 4-8 pm at Greer Park. We have about 250 attendees signed up so far. You will find online info including an online RSVP:

<http://pasoccerclub.org/2014-annual-club-picnic/>

We hope you come enjoy each other's company, the Souls of Blues band, the food trucks, and cheer on as our coaches try to match their skill against our Club's best coed team. Game starts at 4:30 pm.

## Director of Coaching Update

Since their appointments as DOCs, Armando and Ian have been working with our many coaches to ensure they are comfortable and trained in using session plans.

In addition, they are ensuring that coaches will be prepared to provide meaningful player evaluations later in the season and have been working on coach evaluations.

## PASC Picture Day

Picture days will be the mornings of October 11 or 12. Your manager or picture day coordinator will communicate your picture day and time.

## Tryouts

Tryouts are coming up for age groups up to U13. Most age groups will have tryouts in the mid-November timeframe. Further details will be provided by your managers and on the website. Spread the word as families and friends are the best source for new players.

Keep in mind that it is helpful to the age group to have at least three full teams. The same age group teams often train at the same time and location and players sometimes guest play for other teams in our club. We want our players to be enriched by many coaches over the course of their youth soccer experience. Player movement between teams is appropriate and part of a healthy age group.

## YDP with Expanded Schedule

With increased interest and enrollment in the PASC Youth Development Program, the number of sessions and play dates were increased this season vs last year. Please check the website for more information.

## New Cubberley North Goals

With all of the new 8v8 teams, PASC purchased two additional 8v8 goals for Cubberley North to have an additional set for training. Please ask your players to avoid hanging or standing on the tires so they last us for many years.

## PASC Website Refresh

We recently reviewed the website and decided a refresh was required. The last time the website was refreshed, a primary focus was to use the website as the primary resource repository for managers and the Club members in addition to providing information to external entities.

With the recent adoption of Teamsnap by all teams and the increasing use of new tools such as Google Docs, we decided the website should primarily be focused externally. It should allow a prospective family to quickly understand why they should join the PASC and should provide the necessary information to take the next step.

Secondarily, it will continue to provide the resource information for both internal and external constituents.

Please let us know if we struck the right balance and more importantly let us know the reasons you joined and are involved with the Club were adequately captured.

We are planning to send out a family survey to get more structured feedback from the membership. If anyone is a Survey Monkey pro and could help out, please let me know.

Thanks,  
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