# Crossfire SELECT

CROSSFIRE SELECT

FOR FAMILIES WHO LOVE SOCCER
AND LIFE OUTSIDE SOCCER

YOUTH SOCCER CLUB







# WELCOME TO THE CLUB

Congratulations on joining a team and welcome to Crossfire Select! Your player will develop great skills, develop a strong work ethic, form lasting friendships and gain a lifelong love of the game while playing in a safe, friendly and supportive environment.

# What to Expect:

- Training begins in early June.
- Practices are 90 minutes and held twice a week. Practice schedules are determined by the head coach.
- Practices are held at 60 Acres, Marymoor Park, Perrigo Park, or Eastlake High School.
- Teams will participate in 2-3 summer tournaments.
- 🥝 Opportunity for teams to participate in a Thanksgiving or Winter Tournament.
- All teams play in the Crossfire Select Cup in July.
- Teams will participate in North Puget Sound League (NPSL). Eligible teams may also play in Regional Club League (RCL).
- The Fall season begins in September and includes 10-12 games, usually within a 1-hour radius of Redmond.
- Most teams participate in a Washington Youth Soccer State Cup tournament. Most teams play in Founder's Cup, with the exception of girls high school age teams and higher performing teams who play in President's Cup.

# Costs:

SEASONAL FEES (Subject to change)

U10: \$650

U11-U19: \$800

Fees allow the club to operate in a fiscally responsible manner as to cover registration, administrative costs, referees, facility rentals, field maintenance, and coaching support and education. Fees also cover the costs for teams to enter the league and a state cup. Crossfire Select offers payment options, and scholarships are available. Learn more at www.crossfireselect.com.



#### **TEAM FUNDS**

Teams collect a team fund from every family that range from \$150 - \$200 for the season. This fund generally covers tournament entry fees, costs to coaches, and an end-of-season party. Team funds will be discussed at the first team meeting of the year, and collected by the team's treasurer.

### UNIFORMS

Boys order uniforms on even-numbered tryout years, and girls order on odd-numbered tryout years. If your player needs a uniform this year, you will receive an email from Soccer.com when items are available to purchase. Uniforms typically cost about \$200 per 2-year cycle.

Visit Soccer.com to get Crossfire Select gear and show your club spirit. 10% of spirit wear goes to help to pay for coaches' training gear and scholarship kits. Support your child and club on the sideline!

Questions? Contact gear@crossfireselect.com

# To-Do Checklist

- Register players online: www.lwysa.org/CFS\_Register
- Complete medical release form
- Show a copy of the player's birth certificate or passport to the team manager
- Volunteer for a team role (treasurer, team manager, referee, photographer...etc.)
- New players will select a jersey number
- Attend a uniform fitting for correct sizing

# Team Information:

Team Name:	
Coach Name:	
Assistant Coaches:	
Team Manager:	
Team Treasurer:	
Player Jersey Number:	





# What You Need to Know:

- Crossfire Select is a Nike-sponsored soccer club. Players are encouraged to wear Nike cleats and purchase a Nike ball.
- Uniforms will be purchased via Soccer.com and shipped directly to your home. You will receive an email from Soccer.com when uniforms are available.
- Schedules are managed by coaches/managers in TeamSnap. Make sure to set up your TeamSnap account once you receive the email invitation, then mark your player's availability for games and practices.

# **TEAM VOLUNTEERS**

It takes a village to run a select soccer team! Your team will ask for volunteers for the following roles:

- Team Manager manage game schedule, player cards and paperwork, team events, and communications.
- Treasurer collects team fees and maintains team checking account.
- Team Bench/Canopy Keeper bring bench/canopy to games.
- First Aid make sure the team first aid kit is filled at the beginning of the season and items are replaced as needed
- Photographer take photos and/or videos during games. Send photos to communications@crossfireselect.com to be featured on social media and website.
- LWYSA Referee in Pool All teams must provide a referee in the LWYSA pool to work a minimum number of games during the fall season.

# **CLUB VOLUNTEERS**

Crossfire Select is a non-profit, volunteer-run organization. We're always looking for help throughout the year, so if you have any skills or time you can donate, let us know! Learn more and sign up at crossfireselect.com/volunteer.



# ABOUT CROSSFIRE SELECT

"The Crossfire Select Soccer Club provides an environment that promotes a life-long love of the game while developing teamwork as well as individual responsibility, commitment and leadership through quality training and appropriate competition for all participants."

#### **OUR MISSION**

Crossfire Select is committed to providing a quality competitive youth soccer program for U10 to U19 players where players can improve as soccer players and grow as young adults in a positive, supportive and dynamic learning environment.

### We aim to:

- Demonstrate integrity, respect, and sportsmanship
- Instill a lifelong love of the game
- Build a strong sense of community
- Create a player development pathway

We do not have a 'win-at-all-costs' mentality. While winning is important, we do not compromise the development of all a team's players by the pursuit of 'win at all cost'. Winning should be a product of proper team and player development.

#### **OUR CLUB**

Crossfire Select is part of Lake Washington Youth Soccer Association, a non profit, 501(c)(3) organization with a dedicated volunteer board of directors elected by the membership. Our licensed coaches are also volunteers, supervised by our Coaching Director, Hugo Alcaraz-Cuellar.



# **LEADERSHIP**

The Board of Directors facilitate and govern club programs, and supervise the Coaching Director, who in turn is responsible for supervising the volunteer coaching staff. Board members are volunteers. They typically serve a two-year term and are elected by the club membership. Elections are held in November during the Annual Club Meeting. Board meetings are usually held the third Thursday of every month.

# **Board of Directors**

Toni Smith
President
president@crossfireselect.com

Ted Granston Club/State Liaison club@crossfireselect.com

Greg Newell Treasurer treasurer@crossfireselect.com

Nicholas Toon Member at Large

Yousef Habash Member at Large

#### Staff

Hugo Alcaraz-Cuellar Director of Coaching coachingdirector@crossfireselect.com

Scott Yerxa Tournament Director tournamentdirector@crossfireselect.com



# MESSAGE FROM THE VOLUNTEER BOARD

It is with great pleasure that we welcome new and returning families for another season!

We are a community-based, primarily volunteer-led and run club. Our mission is simple: provide an organized, quality, and fun soccer program that enables positive growth of the player and the child whilst providing a connection point for soccer communities and families.

We are dedicated to maintaining a supportive environment for players to develop their skills at a relatively low level of commitment, with regards to time and money. It is our aim to create a competitive environment for all of our players and challenge them at their specific levels of ability and development. Players will gain friendships with others who have a similar love for the game, and learn the values and life lessons of a team sport. We exist for the multi-sport, multi-activity child; our schedule allows for other interests. Coaches understand family and other priorities and we can usually make accommodations.

Our coaches are licensed, CPR-trained volunteers, supported by our full-time paid Director of Coaching. We actively support and encourage our coaches to improve their licensing credentials and coach education to the highest level. We reimburse coaches for their licensing.

We do not have a win-at-all-cost mentality. We want to develop every player. At the younger ages, all players play and contribute at least half of every league game, and players learn by playing more than one position.

Our players are the focus of all our efforts. Soccer is a beautiful game and it is on us all to instill a lifelong love of the game through support and positive encouragement. Please set a good sideline example and refrain from coaching and/or critiquing. Please follow the process for feedback and resolutions of concerns that we have in place. We look forward to working with you this season.

As this Club is run almost entirely by volunteers, we would like to thank everyone for their contribution, and encourage you to help throughout the season, so we can ensure our Club continues to be one of the best Select-level soccer programs in the State.

Sincerely, Crossfire Select Board

# **CLUB CALENDAR**

# MAY

Tryouts for all age groups (except boys U15-U19).

### **JUNE - AUGUST**

All teams begin training. Teams may enter 2-3 summer tournaments. including the Crossfire Select Cup at the end of July.

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

Fall season begins for U10-U14 girls and boys, and U15-U19 boys. The season concludes late November or early December with Thanksgiving weekend off

Fall Futsal is an optional program at minimal cost for Select players U10-U14. Sessions are mixed age and gender.

# **NOVEMBER**

End of Fall season for boys and girls U10-U14 and boys U15-U19.

Girls U15-U19 begin their season.

Crossfire Select Annual Club Meeting and Board of Director Elections.

#### **DECEMBER**

2 weeks off for all teams.

# **IANUARY**

The Washington Youth Soccer State Cup Tournament begins. Finals in early February.

# **FEBRUARY**

Boys U15-U19 tryouts.

Optional Spring soccer season begins.

#### MARCH

Spring Futsal is an optional program at minimal cost for Select players U10-U14. Sessions are mixed age and gender.

# **APRIL**

Purely Optional Playground Soccer (POPS) is fun, free, drop-in soccer. It's open to everyone U14 and younger.

Girls high-school age teams begin their State Cup Tournament, Presidents Cup, at the conclusion of their league season.







# **PROGRAMS**

In addition to the main season in Fall, Crossfire Select offers free and low-cost programs throughout the year.

# **SPRING & FALL FUTSAL**

The Crossfire Select Futsal Academy is a program designed for players U10-U14. Futsal increases players soccer skills by encouraging quick decision-making, creative solutions, short and precise passing, and allows players to touch the ball up to 80% more than in regular soccer.

#### **POPS**

Purely Optional Playground Soccer (POPS) allows players to drop in for informal pick-up games. Games are organized and supervised by Crossfire Select, but there's no coaching. The goal is for players to come together and enjoy playing a game they love already.

#### SPRING SOCCER

Optional program for players/teams. The spring development league supplied through NPSL for boys and girls U10-U14, with 6 matches on a Saturday. The Season typically starts at the end of February and runs through the end of March.

#### **GOALKEEPER TRAINING**

Crossfire Select players are invited to attend our in-house goalkeeping program, taught by Crossfire Select coaches.

## POSITION SPECIFIC CLINICS

The Coaching Director and Crossfire Select coaches offer Position Specific Training (PST) sessions for boys and girls. PST specialized training is an opportunity for players to develop the specific skills needed for Goalkeepers, Defenders, Midfielders, and Strikers.

#### SUMMER CAMP

Weeklong summer clinics are provided for U10-U12 players. Space is limited.



# The largest, single-venue soccer tournament of its kind in the Western United States!

- All Crossfire Select teams participate
- 4 games (3 for U10)
- 烾 3-day tournament: Friday-Sunday
- 26 beautiful grass fields located at one location: 60 Acres Soccer Park
- Multiple divisions in most age groups
- 烾 265 teams from across Washington, Oregon, British Columbia, and Hawaii
- Tournament pin for all players. Medals and trophies for champions and finalists.

The Crossfire Select Cup is the Club's primary fundraiser. All Crossfire Select teams must play in the tournament. Teams will need to provide at least 10 volunteers for U10 teams, 12 volunteers for U11-U12, and 14 volunteers for U13-U19. Volunteers will work in 2-hour shifts at the Cup, managing team check-ins, acting as field marshals or parking lot attendants and more. A signup sheet will be distributed shortly before the tournament.