Rush Union Newsletter May 2022



#### Welcome! Rush Union Update

We are nearing the end of the season, but still have a lot of exciting updates to share as we finish the spring season and move into our summer programs. We would like to thank all our volunteer recreational coaches for their efforts this season. As a show of our appreciation, we will be offering something fun for our volunteer coaches in early May so be on the lookout for information on the end of season celebration. We will also be hosting Academy Open House training dates for any recreational players who want to check out the Academy Program. The Open Houses will be the week of May 16. Specific information regarding the event has been emailed to families and posted to our social media sites.

We are very excited to have launched the new Rush Union website. Please check out the new site for all programs moving forward. It is a Huge accomplishment to have both of our locations on to one consolidated platform. This will be a tremendous benefit in streamlining registrations, scheduling, and club wide communication. We welcome feedback on the new site, so please reach out to us.

On the theme of feedback, we conducted a club wide membership survey in mid-April and were able to show some of the preliminary results at our Annual Club Meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup>. We are reviewing the survey results in greater detail and will release the results along with an action plan later this summer. The Annual Meeting is also a way to provide feedback to our membership and highlight all the great things going on at Rush Union. We hope you were able to join us on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Facilities are always an item that we get feedback on, and we are excited to update you all on Stars Athletic Complex and Pleasantdale Park. We have executed a five-year extension to the lease at Stars Athletic Complex. You may have noticed that the roof on the indoor field, and the storage barn near field 5 have also been repaired. There will be other updates coming including a potential renovation of the indoor field later in 2022. DeKalb County held a public input meeting concerning Pleasantdale Park on March 31 which we attended. They are working on securing funding from the commission in the summer budgeting process and are hopeful we will see some improvements at the facility in the early part of 2023. We are always looking for ways to improve the facilities that we use in partnership with our landlords, or community partners.

We concluded two more coaching education classes in April. With the additional courses in April, we have hosted a total of four USSF Grassroot Courses in the Spring of 2022, which is more than any youth organization in Georgia. We are also pleased to announce over 10 of our own coaches completed one or more courses this spring season to enhance their coaching education. We have also conducted five internal Coaching Development Sessions for our professional coaches. We believe coaching education is a fundamental foundation and something we will continue to invest in for the benefit of our membership and coaching staff

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We have a couple of new partners for our Fall 2022-Spring 2023 Tournaments. Simax will be the official apparel provider at our events, and in partnership with Capelli Sport will provide Capelli Tournament Apparel. Pellucid Travel will partner with us to provide hotel support for teams who travel from out of state to our events. Similar to Rush Union, Pellucid Travel has a holistic approach to sports and featured an article I had written earlier this spring on their national website which can be found <a href="here">here</a>

Tryouts for our competitive teams are just around the corner and will be held May 23-25 for players born 2016-2009, and May 31-June 2 for players born 2008-2004. More information concerning tryouts can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. Registration open for tryouts and all our summer programs is open now via our website <a href="https://www.rushunionsoccer.org">www.rushunionsoccer.org</a>

Rush National has two different programs that we will be supporting this Summer. Rush Fest is for our players born in 2010. We will have two teams and several coaches traveling to Colorado in mid-July to play against other 2010 teams from all over the country. We will also be supporting Rush South Center which will be held July 29-31 in Lafayette LA for U14-U19 teams.

We are excited about our growing programs and Rush Union currently has an opening for a full-time Administrative Support Manager. The position will be responsible for assisting the Executive Director with the day-to-day operation of the administrative functions at Rush Union Soccer Club. For more information on the position, or to apply, please submit a resume with cover letter to <a href="mailto:agray@rushunionsoccer.org">agray@rushunionsoccer.org</a>

Finally, a special congratulations to our Rush Union 08G Royal team who went undefeated (9-0-0) this spring season and have won promotion to the next level of SCCL. Great job girls! Please see the team featured below.

If you have any questions about Rush Union, our programs or anything soccer related please reach out to our staff at any time.

Thank you for being part of our Rush Union family. We look forward to seeing you on the field very soon.

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Neil McNab Jr.
CEO Rush Union



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Congratulations to our Rush Union 08G Royal team on an amazing season!

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Come check out our Academy Programs beginning the week of May 16



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We are excited about getting onto a singular platform and new website... please check it out at <a href="https://www.rushunionsoccer.org">www.rushunionsoccer.org</a>



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We have conducted 4 USSF Grassroot Courses this spring. Coaching Education is very important to Rush Union Soccer

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Coaches at our Milton Facility going through their paces during a 7v7 USSF Grassroots Coaching Course in April.

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Featured on the National website for Pellucid Travel, one of our new Tournament Partners this month, read the article here: <a href="https://pellucidtravel.com/best-practices-sports-specialization-options-for-everyone/">https://pellucidtravel.com/best-practices-sports-specialization-options-for-everyone/</a>

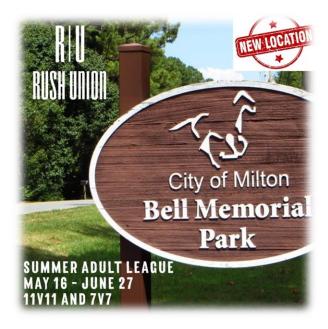
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Adult leagues will be happening this summer in both locations, see above. Below, we are always looking to strengthen our coaching staff, if you know of any quality coaches looking to join a great organization, please send them our way.

