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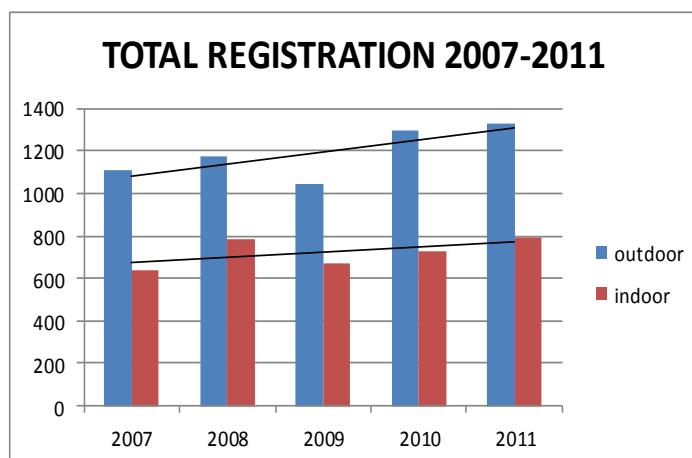
PRESIDENTS REPORT 2011-2012

The Prince Albert Youth Soccer Association (or PAYSA for short) is responsible for the administration of youth soccer for the City of Prince Albert and surrounding rural areas. We are a non-profit corporation and our governing body is the Saskatchewan Soccer Association (SSA) and ultimately the Canadian Soccer Association (CSA). PAYSA is controlled by a board of directors who are elected at our Annual General Meeting.

2011 has been an extremely eventful and exciting year. In December 2010, PAYSA took a major step forward in the path towards our goal of implementing the Long Term Player Development vision. PAYSA signed a multi-year agreement securing the services and expertise of our full-time Technical Director: Bob Maltman. As we build programs to implement age appropriate soccer development, there are: indeed there must be, significant changes in the way soccer programming is delivered in the district. With soccer development and programming in the very capable hands of our Technical Director, the energies of the board have been focused on ensuring policy direction and sound governance of the association.

To keep in step with current changes, the business of governance has been streamlined into three key business units, each under the direction of committee chairs: The executive committee is changed with handling all aspects of human resources, finance and administration; the Technical Advisory Committee whose function is to provide support to Technical Director in development of all technical aspects of soccer, including player, coach and referee development ; and, the Communications Committee which is involved in policy review and development , and player and membership affairs. This structure is working out well and has served the needs of PAYSA governance.

REGISTRATION



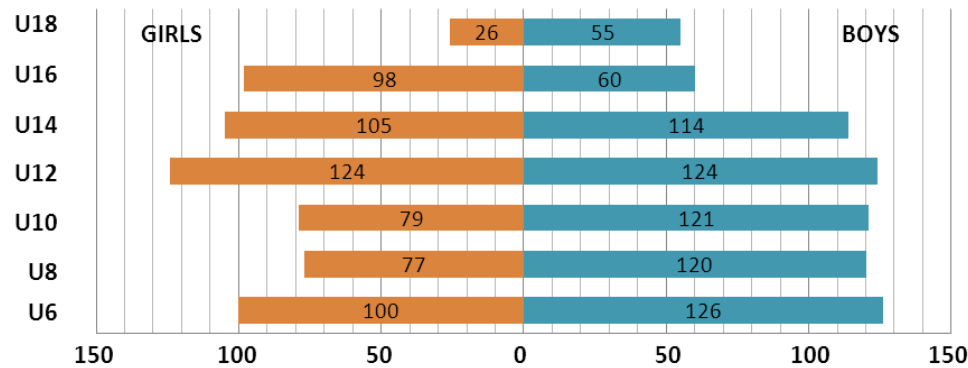
Over the past five years the registration figures continue to grow. Following a short-term decline in 2009, the total number of registered players continues to increase. In 2011 outdoor season there were 1,329 players enrolled in soccer. This figure is up slightly from the 1,299 players in 2010. The number of players in the indoor continues to increase each year. The U6 and U8 age groups are up 16.6% and 26%, respectively. In outdoor the U6 are down slightly (7%) from 2010 and the U8 group is up by 10% from the previous year. In general the demographic still shows that the numbers of young “grass roots” players are strong, indicating great potential for future growth.

The 2011 outdoor season brought in new developmental soccer programming integrating more practices and small sided games for the U10 and U12 age groups. The format was embraced by most players and made for a high energy and fun season of soccer for our players and coaches alike.

Indoor registration figures continue to rise. In 2011, 790 players were registered as compared to 752 in 2010 and 673 in 2009. One area of concern is the low numbers of female players in the U6 to U12 groups registered in indoor this winter. However, an encouraging trend shows more players in the U14 to U18 age categories showing that our players are still engaged in these typically vulnerable age groups (see two graphs below). Indoor house league play started on October 29th after Thanksgiving.

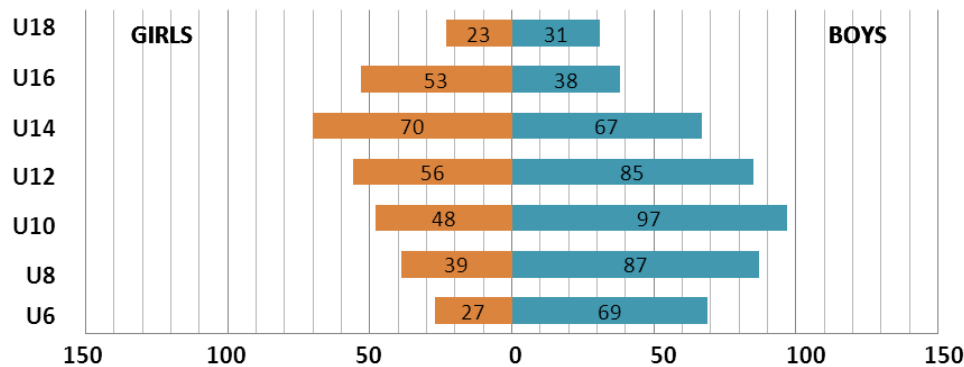
2011-12 OUTDOOR REGISTRATION

TOTAL = 1,347



2011-12 INDOOR REGISTRATION

TOTAL = 790



OFFICE STAFFING

Since 2007 Mitzi Pytlak has worked diligently as our office manager. I have always been very grateful for the hard work and commitment Mitzi brings to our organization and want to take this opportunity to recognize her efforts. I would also like to recognize the meticulous work of our book keeper, Jennifer Wilson. The evidence of Jennifer’s skill is shown in the integrity of the financial report.

I am confident that the future is very bright. PAYSA continues to grow and strengthen as an organization. We have all the ingredients necessary for success: First, our players and members enjoy first

class field facilities where our children can play and learn in safety and comfort; second, we have strong technical expertise to build and develop our programs to ensure maximum fun, enjoyment and success in the sport creating an environment in which our players can excel and reach their potential; third, we have the strong support of you, our soccer families and players. Our registration continues to grow and as such the future of soccer in Prince Albert is healthy; and last but not least we have the support of many fine volunteers who give their time energy and expertise to help make this an organization we can all be proud of. PAYSA is an organization that depends on our volunteers. I am very proud of the people we have working within this organization to make it a better place for the kids – for your kids. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the hard work of all these volunteers, in particular, our many coaches, managers, referees, and age group coordinators, and all those who donate so much of their precious time serving on our various committees. Their work and commitment is vital in delivering what I believe is the best soccer program in Saskatchewan.

In closing, I’d like to thank our Board of Directors who donate so much of their time. I must acknowledge and thank our outgoing Directors: Karen Thorpe and Dave Herbert. I should note that Dave has volunteered over 35 years of commitment to our sport. Over the years, Dave has been committed to the organization and delivery of soccer programming in Prince Albert, serving terms as President in both Prince Albert Youth and Senior Soccer Associations. Dave was one of the founding members of PAYSA’s competitive Prince Albert Celtic program and spent many years chairing many of PAYSA’s Committees and was one of the founding members of Prince Albert’s first indoor soccer center. In 2011 Dave received the ultimate honour in his nomination and appointment to the Prince Albert Sport Hall of Fame - a truly fitting tribute to one of PAYSA’s own.

Respectfully submitted,

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