Spring Soccer Kicks off the New Year

Welcome to the 2002 season for the Berwyn Heights Boys and Girls Club. Last year was one of our most successful seasons ever in terms of wins, with no less than 4 different teams winning county championships (boys 8, 11 and 14 & under soccer teams, girls 14 & under softball team) and the 9 & under boys victorious in the College Park League. In April we will celebrate the past year at the (this year very busy) annual banquet.

Spring soccer season starts in March and we will hold registrations on Saturday mornings (February 16 & 23, March 2) from 10 am to 12 noon at the BH gymnasium. This year we are trying a revised fee schedule: the club fee is removed and replaced with an increased sport fee of $25 per sport, per child, with a family limit of $100. The county registration fee of $10 per child, paid once a year and passed on directly to the county organization, remains unchanged. As usual, children born in 1995 or earlier will generally play in the PG County BGC soccer competition, while younger children play in our very popular intramural program.

Our success in soccer last year is a double-edged sword. We did so well that we were ranked 5th in the county overall, despite being easily the smallest town in the county fielding teams. The flip-side of that is that we are now expected to play at the AAA level, not AA level as last year. In addition, we will not be able to use the Pontiac St field this spring because it is being levelled and regraded as part of the school refurbishment. Thus our 11-a-side teams will be playing all games outside BH. County soccer information will be available at the soccer web site, http://www.astro.umd.edu/~white/soccer/, once the season starts.

Girl/Boy/Woman/Man of the Year Awards

We are happy to announce this year's annual club awardees. Lorna Dorland is Woman of the Year for her contributions as club secretary and her work with the cheerleading program. Matt Nichols is Man of the Year for all the work he does with the intramural basketball and soccer programs. Samantha Buker and Robert Cameron are Girl and Boy of the Year, representing the best spirit of club participation. Congratulations to all!
We need your help!

As you can see from the lists to the right, the club is short-handed at present. The terms for Chris Carlson (president), Jim McGinnis (athletic director) and Phil Newsom (treasurer) have come to an end and we have not found people to replace them. We thank Chris, Jim and Phil for their dedicated work on behalf of the club: they have been instrumental in keeping everything running smoothly and successfully so that our children and coaches can enjoy their sport without worrying about equipment, etc. Now we need you to step up and help out. We always need coaches and team parents, but the club administration also relies on your participation to help with the banquet, fund-raising, financial management, award orders, equipment, uniforms, ... If you have time or skills that you can contribute, please contact Stephen White at 301 345 1624 or Tom Reynolds at

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