



RICHMOND YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION
U12 (principally 2003 born) FIRST TEAM (Gold) PROGRAM
2014 - 2015

The Program basics are as follows:

- **Player Selection:** open assessments will occur in January/February 2014. Pre-registration by December 15, 2013 is required.
- **Teams:** the Program is a two-team program having 12 - 13 players per team. There will be a first (Gold 1) and second team (Gold 2) in the Program. Players selected to the Program will, in mid-August 2013, be assigned to one of the two teams.
- **Program Duration:** the Program will initially start in April, 2014 and run to mid/late June 2014. This (spring) part of the Program will be structured in such a way as it will permit (and indeed promote) participation in other sports during this period. After the summer break, the Program will re-start in mid-August and continue until early March 2015.
- **Program Frequency:** during the September – March portion of the Program, the standard frequency will be four times per week (3 practices and 1 game). Players are expected to have very high attendance rates (95% plus) for practices and games. Practice days have not yet been established. In 2013-2014, the U12 Select practice days were Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- **Games:** games are on Saturdays. Home games will likely be Saturday mornings. Away games will be on Saturdays but could morning or afternoon. Away games will be in Vancouver, Burnaby or the North Shore.
- **Cost:** fees for 2014 – 2015 have not yet been established. The 2013-2014 Program cost was \$850. The cost of spring programming is additional and will be determined once the group (24 – 26) is selected and the content (which varies from year-to-year) of the spring program is determined.
- **Program Head Coach:** Andy Stokes
- **Third and Fourth Selected Team:** we plan on a third and fourth selected team (which are not part of the U12 First Team Program). The third and fourth selected teams will play at the 'Silver' level (in 2013-2014 we placed one team in the Silver 1 tier and another in Silver 2). The program frequency will be two practices per week and a weekend game. There will be separate assessments for those players interested in the Third and Fourth Selected teams. More information on the 2014 – 2015 Third and Fourth Selected Team will be posted on the RSYA web-site in early in 2014.
- **Non-Selected Soccer:** non-selected essentially means that team formation is not by way of try-outs or other methods of player assessment; given the same, players who are not interested in the programs described above do not need to attend any assessment sessions and will be allocated to teams in or about August, 2014. Players in non-selected soccer play at the Bronze level. More information on the 2014 – 2015 RSYA Bronze program will be posted on the RSYA early in 2014 and all that is required is registration per the norm when it opens in the Spring.