

October 2018 Blizzard Club Update

A New Look for Our Club!

Blizzard is pleased to introduce our new club crest! This new design is an evolution of the Blizzard look and feel that the club has had over the last 50 years. We have designed our logo as a traditional crest, in better keeping with soccer clubs around the world. The bold B in the center of the crest is the focal point and bears a resemblance to our logo in the 80s. We have also established a new color palette to include our signature Blizzard orange which we have paired with dark grey and a pale blue. We believe this new logo provides Blizzard with a modern and fresh look and better reflects the exciting direction we are headed as we grow our Club in Calgary.

Academy 67

Academy 67 is a new academy that will provide individual skills training programs to all players in Calgary. Academy 67 will provide a fun and professional learning environment to give individuals the opportunity to maximize their potential. Academy 67 will be run separately from Blizzard Soccer Club; however, it will be led by the Blizzard Technical and support staff.



Registration is now open at <u>https://calgaryblizzard.powerupsports.com</u>. Programs run for 6 weeks and begin November 1st. Sessions are \$100 each.

- U14-U17 Group Training Wednesday 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- U11-U13 Group Training Friday 5:00-6:00 p.m.
- U7-U8 Roots Academy Sunday 8:30-9:30 a.m.
- Shooting Gallery Sunday 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Board of Director Nominations and Annual General Meeting

Blizzard is currently seeking nominations for Board Members to be elected at our AGM on Tuesday, December 4th. In addition to other board vacancies, we are specifically looking for a certified accountant to fill the role of Treasurer. If interested please complete the application form, found on our website, no later than Tuesday, November 6th.

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Mini Blizzards! Our New Roots Program Brings Happy Smiles!

Blizzard has kicked off our new Roots program for U4s to U8s. Lead by our Foundation Phase Technical Director, Craig Angus, the players will take part in many activities including, technical training sessions, small-sided game days (U5-U8s) and Tri-Club Jamboree Festivals (U5-U8s). All sessions are held on turf on Blizzard Field 4 at the Calgary West Soccer Centre.

Programs are currently full, but we have some availability for our U4 program. Please contact Craig Angus at grassrootstd@calgaryblizzard.com if you would like further information or to register.



Our U4 Roots Kids in Action!

Blizzard Adult Teams

Our Blizzard Adult Team programs are beginning for the indoor season. We currently have three Women's Teams participating in the CWSA 8v8 league; Blizzard Major League, Blizzard SC01 and Blizzard United. All three teams are in the top tier of the CWSA 8v8 league. Teams are comprised of almost all current or past Blizzard Youth players. We will look to continue to use this as an avenue for current youth players to develop and prepare themselves for post-secondary soccer.

For our Men's program we are working closely with the Dino's men's program to give opportunities to our older boys for the season in the men's premier league.

Blizzard is proud to see that 32 of our former youth players have now graduated and are playing in University and College leagues across North America.

Reminder CMSA Players Cards – Photo Days

If you are new to soccer or need to renew your existing player card (U11 to U19) please visit the CMSA website at <u>www.calgaryminorsoccer.com</u>, to see the schedule for photo days! Players are required to present a valid card for all games.

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