Crossfire Premier Newsletter

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Welcome back to our first newsletter of 2019. We have had a busy winter, so we look forward to informing you.

Go6 ECNL go to Europe

As the youngest Crossfire girls' team to travel internationally thus far, the team played in three countries in eight days, with four matches versus top European competition, training sessions with national team and professional club staffs. Crossfire Director Bernie James explained, "these international tours provide us an unrivalled opportunity to augment our players' development." The team went on to beat SC Buitenveldert, Feyenoord, KAA Gent and mega-club Paris Saint-Germain.



XF joins the NPSL

The National Premier Soccer League (NPSL) is proud to announce that Crossfire Redmond (Redmond, WA) has joined the league as an expansion team. "We are very excited to grow our Northwest Conference with an accomplished organization like Crossfire Redmond. They have an incredible history in player development and we are looking forward to what they will bring to the NPSL," NPSL Managing Director Cindy Spera said. Home matches will take place at Redmond High School Stadium in Redmond, WA starting this year!

XF alumni MLS bound

Two former Crossfire Academy players went in the MLS SuperDraft. Hassani Dotson, who played Academy here for three seasons, was selected by Minnesota United. In addition, Nathan Aune was drafted to San Jose Earthquakes. Good luck, boys!



XF, SD Surf & Real Colorado combine

Working in concert with two of the most respected youth soccer clubs in the nation, Crossfire Premier is thrilled to announce the formation of a new partnership aimed at increasing opportunities for players to move on to professional clubs abroad. Joining together with San Diego Surf SC and Real Colorado, Crossfire has agreed to annually form elite selection squads at three ages—Under-15, Under-17 and Under-19—comprised of the top players from the three clubs. These teams will then represent the clubs in Europe over a 10-day span in August of each year.

XF ECNL

Crossfire has gone "all-in" on the ECNL for our top girls teams in 2019-20. Crossfire has a long history of supporting the youth game, and is one of only a few clubs in the country to cover all travel expenses for their elite players. Crossfire will continue this commitment for their Girls ECNL teams in the 2019-20 season, fully funding all ECNL travel expenses for their teams—and completely funding the program for the oldest two age groups. "Crossfire Premier has been one of the very best clubs in the country for more than a decade, developing players to be stars at every level of the game – in college, internationally, and in professional leagues across the world," said ECNL President Christian Lavers. "Crossfire has always worked to provide the best possible environment for their players and we look forward to working with Crossfire leadership, supporting the Crossfire club, and providing a fantastic platform for their female players long into the future."

XF Teams Dominate in AS Roma Showcase

The Crossfire BU-12, BU-13 and BU-15 teams enjoyed a fantastic trip to Florida for this year's AS Roma Showcase, where they played a range of great competition from across the country, while being scouted and evaluated by AS Roma staff who traveled over from Rome for the event.

Team Achievements

Congratulations to all of our teams on their latest victories- keep it going!

B02-A who were Washington State Champions. The team beat WPFC 2-1 in the semi final, then mirrored the result to defeat PAC NW in the final!

B09-A and BU-12 DA teams, who were double champions of the Copa Rayados hosted by Mexican giant Monterrey Rayados in Houston over Thanksgiving weekend. The 09s topped Dallas Texans in their final, while the 07 Academy boys came from behind to defeat the young professionals from Monterrey in a 4-3 thriller.



Congratulations to our G07-A & G08-A teams on their tournament victory in the Desert Classic in Phoenix, AZ!





Individual Achievements

Sally Menti returns to action with the U.S. U-18 WNT. The U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team kicked off its 2019 programming with a trip to England this past week, with Crossfire's Sally Menti again receiving a National Team call-up. This is Menti's third consecutive invite to the National Team.

Former Crossfire Academy star Declan McGlynn traveled to Holland in March for a professional trial with NAC Breda.



Current Crossfire Academy players Wesley Frankel (BU-18/19), Munier Hussen (BU-16/17), Snyder Brunell and Tomo Allen (BU-12 DA) will travel to the Netherlands in April to train with Eredivisie club SBV Excelsior Rotterdam.

XF Upcoming News!

It's a busy spring for Crossfire teams in Europe. First up, the B05-A team will be in Spain beginning April 6, playing three friendly matches with Spanish clubs before ending their stay at the FC Barcelona vs. Atletico Madrid match. Later that month the BU-15 DA will compete in the Rotterdam Football Cup, where they've drawn Tottenham Hotspur among other professional clubs in their group. That same week, our 2003 girls will be in Spain for the Madrid Girls Football Cup, drawing world football titan FC Barcelona in their group. In May, things really ramp up for Crossfire teams heading abroad, with the 09, 08, 07 and 06 boys all in Holland and Belgium for competitions the same week.

As always, check Crossfire social media for updates, and follow our MyCujoo TV channel, as many of the European games are streamed live. Follow along on Crossfire's social media channels for photos and updates, or watch live on our MyCujoo.tv channel at https://mycujoo.tv/crossfire-premier-sc.

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