Crossfire Premier Newsletter

September 2021



Welcome back! The kids are back in school, so let's recap what they've been doing all summer! Our 'Q&A with a XF Alum' was a recent WAC offensive player of the week! We also have some HUGE exciting news to be announced- can you guess what it is? Scroll down to read more!

XF Auction

The Annual XF Auction is on October 23rd! The event will start at 7pm and again be celebrated virtually this year. This live-streamed event will feature some great items to bid on as well as the XF Car Raffle Drawing. The silent auction will begin one week earlier on October 16th. Save the date, and prepare to enjoy a night of great auction items, tremendous generosity and lots of fun!

Click here to view all of the items that have been announced



ECNL Rankings

The ECNL (Elite Clubs National League) ranked the top 25 teams in the nation for the 2020-21 season. Both Crossfire teams finished in the top 11 clubs in the country. Crossfire were one of three clubs to achieve this feat.

Boys

The boys ranked #5 falling behind San Diego Surf, Dallas Texans, Eclipse Select, and CESA.

Girls

The girls ranked 11th with LAFC Slammers, Solar SC, PDA Blue, So Cal Blues and SLSG Navy making up the top 5.



Congrats to all our coaches, support and administrative staff, players and their families. It takes everyone working together to reach such heights.

Olá, Premier Crossfire



Crossfire are about to do something no other club in the nation has done before!

Full details will be announced soon!

Take a guess at what it could be! Winners will receive unlimited bacalhau and sangria during the live auction!**

**disclaimer, winners will receive no bacalhau or sangria

Individual Achievements

Ostrem Hermann Trophy Watchlist



The Missouri Athletic Club has announced its watch list for the Hermann Trophy, the annual award for the top individual collegiate soccer player in the country.

Current UW and former XF player Charlie Ostrem as selected. Ostrem was named Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year last season after leading the conference in assists. He was also named Third Team All-American.

ECNL Awards

Congrats to the 26 XF ECNL boys and girl players who earned Northwest All-Conference honors for the 20-21 season.

Special mention to Connor Lofy and Ky Iliev who won the Northwest Conference Player of the year awards for the U15 and U16 age group, respectively. Lofy and Iliev were also selected as ECNL All-Americans. Hallie Prinos-Grumbach received All-American honors on the girls' side.







WAC players of the week

Seattle U's Kait Raffensperger and Declan McGlynn were named defensive and offensive player of the week, respectively.

McGlynn, a junior forward from Kirkland, Wash., made the most of his return to the Redhawks, scoring in each of Seattle U's season-opening wins over Cal State Fullerton and UC Davis.

Raffensperger, a freshmen defender from Redmond, Wash., played a major role as the centerback for the Redhawks' two home shutouts. 1-0 over Eastern Washington and 1-0 over Portland. The Redhawks' defense minimized the number of shots made against them with a total of 17 shots with only five on goal.



Team Achievements

Bo7 ECNL National Champs!

History was made Sunday at WorldWide Technology Park in St. Louis, MO, as the ECNL Boys awarded the league's championship trophies in its first-ever postseason. Crossfire U14 beat San Diego Surf 2-1 in the final to win its first National Title. Crossfire defeated Arlington 2-1 in the semi final two days earlier. This is the first ECNL National Championship ever won by a boys or girls program from Washington. Congratulations to all involved in such a memorable moment.





Surf Cup Winners



Well done to the B03/04 ECNL team for winning the Under-19 Best of the Best division at Surf Cup.

Tournament Champions

Congratulations to all our XF teams for their victories at the following tournaments: Rainier Challenge, Eastside Cup, Crossfire Challenge, Skagit Firecracker, Magic Toyota Cup, and Snohomish Bigfoot!









XF Alum Q&A

Name: Declan McGlynn

XF Graduation Year: 2018

Years at XF: 11

Position: Striker

Favorite Team: Manchester United



Favorite Player: Kaka

Greatest XF Memory: 2018 when our whole team got to go to the Netherlands for a week and play in the Dordrecht Cup. We also got to see Netherlands vs. England in Amsterdam during the same trip

Best part about XF: The friendships and overall experience of going on the trips together. Soccer wise I was always challenged and was given many opportunities to always get better.

Seattle U.

Future plans: Hopefully go on to play professional after

Number one advice to young XF players: To work hard, have fun, and enjoy it because it is a great time and goes by way too quick. But the most important thing is to win.

Upcoming XF Events

Tournaments

Yep, we already have next summer's tournaments scheduled! Don't go on vacation during our three events at the amazing 60 Acres soccer complex: **Proliance Summer Kickoff, Crossfire Challenge** and **Magic Toyota Cup**.

Camps

Our Winter Friday Night Academy registration will open early October! Crossfire will continue to provide safe and fun soccer environments for all!

Keep up to date with Crossfire news as it happens on our Instagram page@crossfire.premier or Twitter @crossfireprmr #G2BXF

> Did we miss something? Which XF alum would you like to hear from next? Email michael.teiman@crossfiresoccer.org with XF news!

> > GO CROSSFIRE!