

RICHMOND UNITED FC NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back to fall soccer, RUFC families!

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One Community-One Family! Richmond is United

NEW DEVELOPMENT COACH

NEW JERSEYS ARE LOOKING GOOD!

JANE GRAHAM!

Welcome!



A former assistant of the much loved late Richmond coaching legend Coach Dougie, Jane Graham has joined Richmond United FC to work with us on developing our youth and girl's development programming.

A Provincial B-Prep License holder with a UBC Masters Degree in Physical Education, Jane specializes in creating age-appropriate practice plans that emphasize decision-making, movement, and enjoyment.

Jane has worked with clubs and academies across the Lower Mainland for many years, and was a lead instructor at UBC Soccer School and an Assistant Coach at Douglas College Women's team. We're elated to have her join our senior coaching ranks!



Home

Away

Goalie

3rd Option



We're looking striking in our new solid blue home kit and solid red away kit, complete with the Sandhar Trucking logo of our club sponsor. The Spring teal tops will move to be our training tops throughout the Fall/Winter Season.

The new uniforms are unique enough to limit most colour conflicts with opponents, but if you find yourself in need of a change, the teal spring season kits will do the job, making RUFC one of the few local clubs with a third jersey option.

CONGRATULATIONS

JACQUELINE LOUIS

RUFC Coach and Referee
Jacqueline was one of the officiates at the at the 2025 Canada Games this past summer in St. John's, Newfoundland & Labrador. Well done Jacquie and to all the referees!



OPEN DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY

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[ODP-OPEN DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY](#)



The RUFC Open Development Academy is a Friday soccer skills development program for U8-U18 girls and boys (born 2008-2018) and aims to help ODP players bridge the gap between recreational and competitive soccer. Led by RUFC Technical Director, David Thorburn, and Player Development Manager, Scott Guy, the sessions run from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm over 21 weeks and cost \$340. Attendees will receive a free academy kit!

MINI KICKERS IS BACK ON SUNDAYS!

[REGISTER HERE : MINI-KICKERS](#)

The Mini-Kickers program provides a curriculum framework for the club's youngest players focusing on developing physical literacy skills, emotional, personal and social development, individual ball mastery, cognitive development, small sided games and more.

The Mini Kickers training costs \$295 and runs for 21 weeks at Boyd from 10am to 11am, as an additional program to our usual team-based offerings.

JUST FOR GIRLS ACADEMY

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Fall Just for Girls Academy is open to all skill levels - gather your friends and neighbours and join in the fun! Make new friends! Participating in sports has numerous benefits for girls including increased confidence, self-esteem, and skill development. We can't wait to welcome you to the field in September! A wide variety of programming is available for girls born 2022 to 2008. Fridays: September 12, 2025 to February 27, 2026.



32ND ANNUAL RICHMOND THANKSGIVING TOURNAMENT & FESTIVAL

Our annual Thanksgiving Weekend Tournament is filling up fast, as it always does, and remains one of the largest youth tournaments in BC. The title sponsor of this year's tournament is no stranger to Richmond soccer – Sandher Fruit Packers, sponsors of our 2nd Annual Summer Solstice Festival.

Speaking of, you'll find Sandher cherries and apples at most national grocery chains – more information can be found at www.sandherfruit.com

If your company would be interested in gaining exposure to 280 teams and 4200 families from around BC and beyond all for \$500, please contact taniaw@rufc.ca for full package details.



BC SOCCER 'A' CUP PROVINCIALS IS COMING TO RICHMOND



After several seasons of the 'A' Youth Cup Provincials travelling around BC, it's making a return to the Lower Mainland, and it will land in our city in 2027.

Running Provincials is no small task, so we'll be hoping folks will sign up for our Local Organizing Committee and help out over that weekend as the best teams in the province come to our fields.

CONGRATULATIONS TO RUFC TEAMS WHO ATTENDED 2025 BC SOCCER B CUP PROVINCIALS

RUFC United U18 Boys Silver
RUFC Flames U18 Girls Silver
RUFC Rangers U14 Boys Bronze
RUFC Dynamite U17 Girls 4th Place
RUFC Surge U15 Girls 5th Place

U18B United Boys Silver



U18G Flames Girls Silver



U14 B Rangers Boys Bronze



FANTASTIC RESULTS FOR A GROUP OF INCREDIBLE TEAMS!

U17 Dynamite Girls
4th Place



U15 Surge Girls
5th Place





NEW SPONSORSHIPS

DUECK RICHMOND & CHEVROLET CANADA

We are proud to announce that Chevrolet Canada and Dueck Richmond Chevrolet are our new official automotive and automotive dealer partners for the coming season.

To kick off the partnership, the new sponsors invited six of our U13s out for a kickaround with Vancouver Whitecaps players and coaches at the UBC training facility, and gave them a look behind the scenes at an MLS set-up.

A big thanks to both companies for agreeing to be a part of our Richmond soccer community for the 2025/2026 season!



Congrats!

RUFC BOARD UPDATE

AGM

- We are pleased to share that at the Board meeting earlier this month, Angela Louis was appointed Vice-President. This position became vacant when Tyler Pronyk assumed the role of President in July. Congratulations, Angela, and we are thrilled to have you in this role!
- On the financial side, our year-end statements (as of July 31, 2024) are with our accounting firm for review. We expect this to wrap up in September, which means we'll soon be announcing the date for our Annual General Meeting (AGM). Stay tuned for more information!
- And one more important note: if you've ever thought about getting more involved, this is your chance! We'll be holding elections for Directors at the AGM and encourage anyone interested to put their name forward.
- If you'd like more details about what's involved, please reach out to us—we'd be happy to chat! Send an email to Tyler or Angela who lead our HR + Governance committee at tylerp@rufc.ca and angelal@rufc.ca

RUFC 'ON THE ROAD' Summer Contest Winners

We asked you to send us your photos of your family representing the RUFC colours on holiday, and boy, did you ever! We received pictures from Mexico, New York, England, Greece, Estonia, Sweden, Germany, New Jersey, and more!



Way to show your hometown and
RUFC Pride to the world!



CONGRATULATIONS TO DAMIAN AND NAOMI
AT THE METLIFE STADIUM IN NEW JERSEY

CONGRATULATIONS TO NATE
POSING IN FRONT OF
WILD ROSE COUNTRY IN EDMONTON



THANK YOU!

SUMMER SOLSTICE FESTIVAL

Our 2nd Annual Summer Solstice Festival was a big success, with 80 teams from ages U8-U13 coming from all over BC. A big thank you to the sponsors, Joe Preswick Personal Real Estate Corporation, A & A Wong's Insurance Services Ltd, and Boast Financial Services!



YEAR END SPRING JAMBOREE

Our end-of-Spring Jamboree was such a blast, featuring giant inflatables, pizza, and water fights with Coach Angelo! Can't wait to do it all over again next spring!



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