



Bolton Wanderers Soccer Club Canada



The Bolton Wanderers Soccer Club was incorporated in 1978 after a very successful test season in 1977. The Club was granted an affiliation status with the Bolton Wanderers Football Club by Nat Lofthouse permitting the use of the name and logo. This is not a 'association' with a big club it is an affiliation where the Wanderers Chairman, Phil Gartside has stated he wants to be 'aware of what we do and how we do it'.

With 3000 registered players from 4 to 74 years of age the Wanderers offer recreational, competitive and elite training for both males and females.

The Club operates programs in Bolton and Valleywood (West Caledon, Ontario).

The Wanderers competitive teams and Elite athletes train at the Jack Garratt Soccer Park, a facility used exclusively for our training programs located on Glasgow Road immediately in front of Wanderers House, our base of operations. Jack Garratt Soccer Park, named after one of the Club founders has two full size fields, one mini and a storage building for team training gear.

Wanderers House, our head office is a 2500 sq ft building in a park setting. The facility has our business office, Head Coaches office, meeting rooms, board room, operations office, lounge, full kitchen and a 1200 sq ft meeting room AV equipped.

The Club has just acquired a new 30 000 industrial facility in Bolton for indoor soccer training. Unlike most existing indoor facilities 25 Nixon is primarily for training of players and coaches. The facility will have 2 mini fields, on site physio, a fitness gym, classrooms and a retail store.

Wanderers ED is a new program for 2010. Qualified teachers and university professors provide small groups of players support and encouragement 4 days a week. The program offers conversation French for all levels, courses on essay writing, creative writing, math and science support.

This year 3 BWSC players from our U14 squad have been selected to compete in the Wanderers Grand Skills competition Oct 28-31 in England. Players from around the world will train with the Academy, attend a First Team match against Liverpool and compete to win a 1 week signing to the BWFC Academy.

For 2010 The Wanderers celebrated the World Cup. All recreational teams are dressed in 'world cup' strip with the colours and national flags of the participating countries. Our season opening saw the parades of nations and at the end of the season we will be holding a mini world cup.

The Wanderers have embraced the CSA Long Term Development Plan and applied to our recreational programs.

U5 & U6's operate an exciting fun filled program. All teams are lead by BWSC Staff and Mentor Coaches with assistance from parents. The program begins with warm-ups, movement actions followed by ball skills and action games. The last 20 minutes of the period are for loosely structured games 3v3 and 4v4 on micro pitches.

U8s -U12s play on mini fields the Team Coach is supported by Staff Coaches paid by the Club. There are no stats at these ages, no wins losses or standings just training, skills, fun and learning to love the game. Players have a scheduled practice and game each week under the Team Coaches direction. Staff Coaches are at the practices and can assist or run sessions as needed. Recreational players and Coaches have the option of attending supplementary training sessions on Saturdays. These extra sessions are free and have our Head Coach, Billy McKenna and his Staff Coach team running sessions on ball control, crossing and finishing, defending, 1v1

U14-U18 a full field recreational league also having access to the Staff Coaches for practices and the players are well to train on Saturdays.

We offer U35 Men's, Open Men's and a Ladies league

Definitions:

Mentor Coaches: Senior competitive players certified Level 1 with First Aid training who are Coaching our U5' & U6's, they also assist Staff Coaches with other age groups.

Staff Coaches:

Team members must be certified Level 3 as minimum, most have a Pre B license and 3 have a Provincial B. They are assigned to work with the recreational teams, Monday-Thursday evenings and Saturdays.

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