

Merry Christmas to you and yours and all the best in 2012.

Thank you to all our players, coaches, parents, managers and volunteers, for all their time, effort, support and commitment to the Carleton Place Soccer Club. Let's keep this great soccer nation growing as we reflect on a fantastic year of change and growth.

The CPSC has seen a dramatic change in our Just Kick It (formerly known as Soccer School) program this year as we partnered with Harrison Soccer International and our own Karen Gormley as the Coordinator. We had over 300 youth from ages 4-7 participate in fun soccer related activities helping prepare them for formal team play in the GLSL. The club honoured the sponsor of this program with the CPSC Builder's Award for their long and continued involvement with this age group. Thank You Lisa and Scott, Tim Horton's.

Our GLSL teams performed extremely well with teams from U8 to U19 having fun, working hard and having respect for fellow players, coaches, referees and parents. Both end of season tournaments resulted in all of our teams finishing the season as true champions of the game; whether it was with a gold medal or effort well done; with a pat on the back and see you next year. We are very proud of your team s' accomplishments.

There was fierce competition in our ERSL, EODSA Leagues, OCSL and GLSL Adult teams this year. From tournament play locally to as far away as the gold horseshoe our players represented our club and the ideals of soccer to the point of wearing it on their sleeves. Way to go.

As your president, it is my duty to ensure that members participate in a positive athletic environment. Our programs are designed to educate, train and guide players and coaches to meet the growing demand for quality soccer development. As we look to the new year of 2012, CPSC hopes to look at positioning itself as a center of soccer learning through continued community partnering, community resources and the implementation of LTPD (long term player development) and LTCD (long term coaching development).

When you see a soccer volunteer please stop and thank them for their hard work. Without these dedicated individuals who freely give up their own personal time we would not have this beautiful game to play.

From my family to yours... Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Bradley Simpson

CPSC President

