

Dear Players, Parents and Volunteers - welcome back!

With our Province and Region now solidly in Stage 2 of re-opening, we are delighted to announce that soccer is returning to the Caledon community!

We are working diligently to create a safe and fun modified soccer experience abiding by all Canada and Ontario Soccer "Return to Train" protocols. For this season we will be implementing strict standards of hygiene and physical distancing. This will affect training formats until such time as our governing bodies remove social distancing requirements and we can move safely into Phase 3 of Ontario Soccer Return to Play. Our commitment to player, coach, and volunteer safety is our ultimate priority. Please remember that it is your choice to have your son or daughter return to train and we respect that. If you chose not to have them return at this point it will not impact their position on the team.

# When will the Outdoor 2020 "Return to Train" begin?

Thursday July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Abiding by all Return to Train protocols, our development and competitive teams will begin training with their Team Officials. Our Club Head Coach Terry Maddison will be contacting teams to confirm training fields, dates and times. The Teams that are scheduled for Thursday July 9<sup>th</sup> are the **only** teams that will commence our Return to Train program kick off.

With Return to Train protocols firmly in place, we are looking at what we can do as well for our Recreational players. We will keep you posted!

# What do I need to bring for my player?

The Canadian Soccer Association and Ontario Soccer have directed clubs to have every participant sign waivers.

No player will be able to participate without a signed waiver in place.

All Required Return to Play Forms, Waivers (Link to Waivers)

Information Can Be Found Here (Link to Parent Communication)

# **Parent and Club Information ZOOM Meeting**

On Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm you are invited to attend a ZOOM information meeting. It will be a chance for parents to hear directly from the Club and participate in a Q&A period. To attend the ZOOM Meeting click on the link below:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72970363449?pwd=TVFFZkpaQVZ5ajVLOGh5T203N0E2QT09

Meeting ID: 729 7036 3449 Password: 2AHjAU

We look forward to seeing and speaking with you.

## What can we expect when we show up?

Caledon SC coaches and staff will be waiting at the entry point of the field. Attendance will be taken and every player will be asked questions at check in.

Staff will sanitize hands of the players entering the field they will be training on.

Parents and spectators are not able to stand along the sidelines of the soccer pitch. We ask that all parents and spectators remain close to their vehicles, respecting social distancing at all times.

Every coach will have a member of staff in attendance for every session to ensure physical distancing is practiced. Once the session has concluded, volunteers will guide players to exit from a pre-designated area.

## When can we expect traditional soccer to return?

At this time, this is difficult to predict as this relies on the guidance and direction of all levels of government, health officials and Canada/Ontario Soccer.

Ontario Soccer's Return to Train Plan consists of a three (3) phase approach that includes:

PHASE I	PHASE II	PHASE III
<ul> <li>Conditions: All Phase 1         return to train conditions         are met.</li> <li>Restrictions: No contact, no         league, exhibition, festival         or tournament games</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Conditions: All Phase 2 Return to Train conditions are met.</li> <li>Inter- squad and intra-squad modified games permitted (only within Club)</li> <li>Restrictions: No league, exhibition, festival or tournament games</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Return to Soccer (Regular competition, games and training)</li> <li>Conditions: Social distancing restrictions have been lifted</li> <li>Restrictions: None</li> </ul>

Ontario Soccer will determine timelines for each Phase in alignment with the Province of Ontario health authorities.

#### Return to Train Protocol – Zero Tolerance

We are all very excited about the Return to Train program and we fully understand if parents are not ready to return. For those who are ready to Return to Train, all protocols **must** be followed. These protocols have been created and put in place for the safety of yourself, your son or daughter and for all the members of the Club. Zero Tolerance will be given for those who do not follow the government rules for social distancing as well as the Club protocols. Let's keep this a safe fun and enjoyable Return to Train program.

# A note from our President, Clyde Henry

I am excited and looking forward to implementing the Return to Train program now that we have been given the green light from the Province and our governing body Ontario Soccer.

It is important for all of us to remember that when training resumes at the Caledon Complex, it will be done under strict protocols to manage COVID-19. It is critical that all Caledon SC players, parents, team officials, and supporters familiarize themselves with and follow the Return to Training protocols that have been issued by Caledon SC and Ontario Soccer to ensure that training is both enjoyable and safe for all members of our community.

I would like to thank all of our players, parents, coaches, volunteers and BOD members for their patience during these unprecedented times. We all know that soccer is important for the physical and emotional well-being of our kids. Having our Caledon SC members Return to Train where they will be with their peers and be physically active will be positive in many ways, even under our social distancing protocols. It is important to remember, if you do not feel comfortable enough to Return to Train at this time then DON'T. Return when you are comfortable to do so. I have been assured this will not impact a player's position on their team.

Thank you to our board and staff who have been working behind the scenes to prepare for a safe and secure Return to Train in soccer!

Sincerely,

Clyde Henry President Caledon Soccer Club

#### **VOLUNTEERS WANTED - WE NEED HELP!**

To adhere to all the protocols put in place for our Return to Train program we are in need of many volunteers. We need Direction Marshals, Temperature Marshals, Check In / Out Marshals. These roles are all volunteer positions and will be required through Phase 1 and potentially Phase 2. We appreciate any amount of volunteer time that can be contributed.

We also have one paid position - Assistant Return to Train Administrator.

If you are interested, please email us at: registrar@caledonsoccer.com

With your help our Return to Train program will be fun and successful for your child!