

**PENTICTON MINOR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION
(PMFA)**

NEWSLETTER – MARCH 2007

Dear Parents and Players:

The 2006 football season was a great experience, and introduction, for tackle football in the South Okanagan. It was wonderful to see all the players out there doing their best, having some fun and learning many new skills. We are looking forward to the upcoming season with the addition of a Bantam team and much larger rosters for both the Peewee and Junior Bantam teams.

The PMFA is now an officially registered association. The Board of Directors has been working hard in planning events for the upcoming months to raise funds necessary for the purchase of new player equipment and other associated costs. Look for fundraising events in your community through the months ahead, as well as development camps and other events. It is also fantastic to hear that virtually all our players will be returning for a second season. These players now have one season behind them and can look forward to building on the skills already learned, as well as providing leadership to the new players coming in this year.

Not only did we have great players, we had a great group of parents that made sure that their player was there for practices and games, suited up and ready to go. Football is a short, but intense, season and we would like to thank the parents for their time and encouragement.

REGISTRATION:

Registration forms are available on our website, www.pentictonfootballleague.com, as well as will be available through community centers and schools. Please register your son/daughter as soon as possible as registration is on a first come first paid (initial payment) basis. Our goal is 30 players per team. A copy of the player's birth certificate is required with registration (if not on file from last season). Registration forms are to be accompanied by \$150.00 (or total registration fee of \$300); the second \$150.00 payment is due July 31, 2007. Registrations received after July 15, 2007 will incur a \$25.00 late registration fee (space permitting). Refunds will be permitted; after August 15, 2007 a \$30.00 administration fee will apply. We would ask, however, that in the event a player cannot fulfill his/her commitment to play, that this be done as soon as possible to allow for another player to be registered.

COACHES AND VOLUNTEERS:

Coaches, volunteers, executive, etc. are all non-paid positions. These generous people give freely of their time, expertise and desire to make playing football for the PMFA the best possible experience for your son/daughter. If you would like to volunteer – and there are lots of jobs available – please contact us via the website or by calling the phone numbers listed on the bottom of this page. There are many jobs that come up throughout the season and we encourage all parents to help out in any way possible in order to make this season a success.

Coaching clinics will be held prior to the season, and all those interested in coaching should contact Dave at 487-0354 as soon as possible, and complete a coaching registration for available on our website.

REFEREES:

We are looking for referees for all our homes games. A referee clinic will be held prior to the season and all those interested should contact Dave as soon as possible. We would encourage any Bantam age or high school student that may be interested in this as well.

EQUIPMENT:

As we are in the process of building an equipment supply this season, we will do our best to have the equipment in place prior to the start of practices in August. The sooner we have players registered, the sooner we can begin to acquire the necessary equipment. Fitting times and information to follow.

A \$300.00 damage deposit is required (by postdated cheque for November 15, 2007 or credit card number). This is a **deposit only** and will not be cashed or charged unless the equipment is lost, not returned, or damaged. We ask that the equipment be returned to the coaches by November 15, 2007, as indicated by the team coach.

We are looking forward to the upcoming season, and many more successful seasons to come for the PMFA.

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