5v5 Memphis Cup of Nations Community Event

Leadership Information

Date of Event: April 12th
Location: CBU Soccer Field

Objective
To provide the Memphis Community a time to come together, build partnerships and positive relationships through a 5v5 soccer tournament. The game of 5v5 soccer is played on a smaller field but keeps the basic outdoor rules with a few modifications. The Cup of Nations Festival in *Memphis* will have one division: *Above 18 Men's*

Description

The main differences from full field soccer include a smaller pitch, smaller goals, and a reduced game duration with no off-sides. There is a one man system for refereeing games and substitutions can be made whenever, regardless of whether the ball is in or out of play.

5v5 soccer is ideal for all players due to the smaller field and higher repetitions of touches in competition.

Adult tournaments it is crucial for you to provide build up to your tournament. Events such as team sign-up, group drawings and opening ceremony can be a key way for you to provide a tournament that separates us from others in town.

Memphis Cup of Nations: Excitement in the Community and involving our city leaders is "best practice" to create a 'real' community outreach and support. It is also a "best practice" to have similar events as the competitive above to separate this as a community support and is time to build up the community working together and creating an opportunity for leaders to emerge to serve the community you live in.

The Cup of Nations is a tournament format similar to the World Cup. The first round will be a round robin within your group of 4. The top two teams from each group will advance to the 2nd

round with single elimination in which 1st place of one bracket plays the 2nd of another bracket. The 3rd round will be the winners of each 2nd round game playing in the semifinals. The Finals will consist of the two semifinals game. Template for the Schedule is attached.

Each team should consist of 'One' Nationality or Each Team should pick a country to represent. Your team name will be "Brazil of Memphis", USA of Memphis, India of Memphis

The tournament can have multiple team from one Nation. If there is two or more teams from one nation you team name will be "Brazil of Memphis (any color)"-first come first served with the color.

Uniforms: Teams must all present their color on the registration form. If the tournament is large and there must be same colors, the organizer of the tournament should provide 'pennies' on each field for the Away team to wear if there is a conflict in color.

Tournament and League Playing Format

16 Teams will be Accepted and will represent a Country

Goalkeeper: Yes

Maximum Roster:10

Minimum Roster: 5

Minimum Number of Players to Play: 4

Penalty Kicks: Yes

Throw Ins: No, all dead ball situations and re-starts are through kick-ins

Off Sides: No

Substitutions: Anytime, as long as players are in designated areas

Referees: 1 man

Game Duration: 40 minutes (two 20m half's)

**Some events shorten these games to 16 minute halves*

Field Size: Width – 25- 35 yds, Length – 50 -60 yds

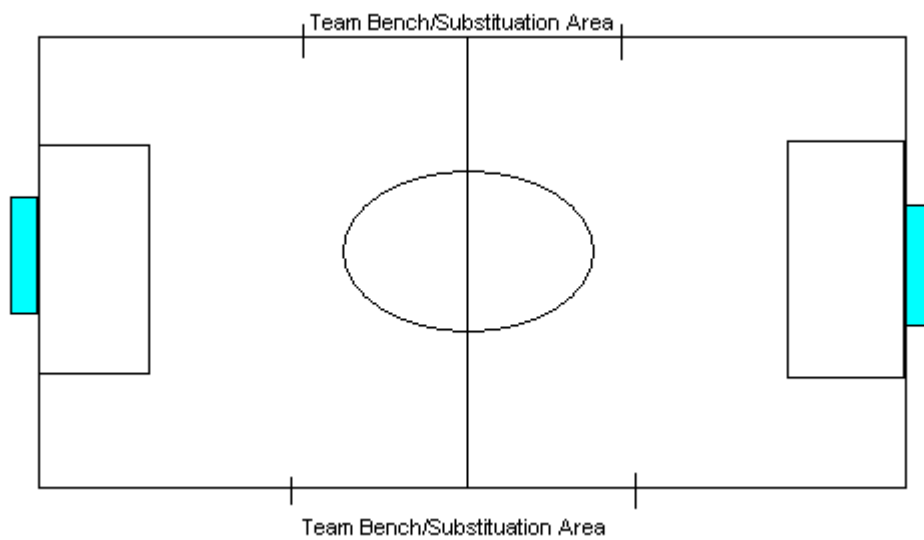***CBU Field Layout: 4 fields 55 yds Length, 32 yds width*

Goal Size: 6'x18'

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Point System: Win-3, Loss-0, Tie-1

Tie-Breakers: Head to head, Goal Difference, Least goals allowed, Most goals scored, Penalties

Field Layout

Playing Divisions

Adult: Men Age 18 and Above

Sanctioning

Tournament is sanctioned with US Soccer through USSSA. Tournament director will receive $2,000,000 liability and facility insurance for weekend tournament.

Entry Fee: $300

Referees

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All games require one center referee.

Mark Herrington will serve as our Referee Assignor

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