

24th ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP TOURNAMENT

Girls U13-17 and Boys U13-16 Inter-Provincial Competitive

The **Nepean Hotspurs Soccer Club** invites you to participate in its **24th Annual Friendship Tournament** to be held **June 9-10, 2018** in Ottawa (Nepean), Ontario.

As an Inter-Provincial Competitive Tournament we are offering Boys Under 13 to 16 and Girls Under 13 to 17 age groups. Some age groups offer 2 levels of competition a "regional" and "district competitive" levels. See the chart below. All games will be played at the Ben Franklin Park or the Charmaine Hooper fields in Nepean.

Tournament Divisions

Inter-Provincial Competitive Outdoor	
Boys Divisions U13-U16	Girls Divisions U13-U16/17
Boys – U13 – L3 - Ontario Regional Level	Girls – U13 – L3 - Ontario Regional Level
Boys – U13 – District Competitive	Girls – U13 – District Competitive
Boys – U14 – L3 - Ontario Regional Level	Girls – U14 – L3 - Ontario Regional Level
Boys – U14 – District Competitive	Girls – U14 – District Competitive
Boys – U15 – L3 - Ontario Regional Level	Girls – U15 – L3 - Ontario Regional Level
Boys – U15 – District Competitive	Girls – U15 – District Competitive
Boys – U16 – District Competitive	Girls – U16 – District Competitive
	Girls – U16/17 – L3 - Ontario Regional

Teams are guaranteed a minimum of 3 games with finals and runner-ups in all divisions. Division Champions and Finalists receive gold and silver medals while runner-ups play for the bronze. As a traditional tournament with three rounds and finals we offer a great value for teams looking for an early season challenge. ***If your Club is interested in entering multiple teams in the tournament please contact the tournament coordinator for information on our group rates.***

Teams must register on-line via the tournament on-line registration system. All other forms of registration will not be accepted. Teams will be registered on a first come first served basis. Teams are guaranteed a minimum of three (3) games. The tournament is open to club teams with players in good standing and registered in the tournament class with their respective District/Provincial Associations, Leagues, or Federations. Teams playing in an Ontario Soccer Association (OSA) Youth Provincial League or higher (and equivalent level teams from other provinces (such as "AAA" in Quebec)) are not eligible for entry into this tournament. Teams playing in an Ontario Soccer Association (OSA) Level 3 Regional League are eligible.

Up to eighteen (18) players per team can be registered to play in the Tournament. Ontario teams are allowed to include a maximum of three (3) guest players from their respective Clubs or from other Ontario Clubs (OSA Regulations). Quebec teams may also include up to three (3)

guest players from their respective Clubs or from other Quebec Clubs as long as they carry and produce the required authorization from the Quebec Soccer Federation (FQSF).

Out of District teams require a Travel Permit approved by their District or Provincial Associations, Leagues, or Federations and must be covered by a valid medical and liability insurance (Teams must carry and supply, no later than seven (7) days before the tournament, a valid and authenticated proof of insurance – injury and liability – before or while participating in the tournament). Teams must also carry and produce their official players' registration books/cards. Teams must provide an "Approval Confirmation Receipt" if their Travel Permit is approved online OR the original Approved Permit stamped and signed by their District 7 days prior to the start of the tournament.

Entry fees, cheque or money order, of **\$450 (U13-U16)** per team should be made payable to "Nepean Hotspurs Soccer Club". The closing date for applications is May 26, 2018. Teams withdrawing before midnight, June 1, 2018 will forfeit half of their entry fee. Teams will forfeit the entire entry fee if they withdraw after midnight, June 1, 2018. **Cheques or money orders must be dated no later than May 26, 2018.** In the event that the tournament is cancelled in its entirety, the Nepean Hotspurs SC will refund each team its entry fee.

If your Club or Team is interested in taking part in this Tournament, you can register on-line. The entry fee can be paid on-line, by cheque, money order, or by debit/credit at the Club Office.

Coaches and/or managers will receive confirmation of their team's acceptance, as well as Tournament rules and other information, by email. Teams registered and other information regarding the tournament will be posted on the Hotspurs website www.nepeanhotspurs.ca.

The success of our tournament relies heavily on the combination of great volunteers and the partnerships established with our sponsors. **Hudson Travel Group is the exclusive travel partner for our annual tournament.** One of the criteria for acceptance into our tournament will be that your hotel accommodations have been secured through Hudson Travel Group. They have blocks of rooms put aside at all the participating host hotels so please be sure to contact them early and secure your spot. We thank you in advance for your support.

If you need more information, please contact the Tournament Coordinator at friendshiptournament@nepeanhotspurs.ca

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