

WATERLOO INSTITUTE OF SOCCER PLAYERS

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Institute is to develop, promote and administer the game of soccer among players under 19 years of age within the Central Football Association Zone as defined by their boundaries and those set by the Central Football Association. This includes recruiting of players, collecting of all fees and sponsorships, and any other legitimate activity appropriate to conducting a soccer program.

VISION

The vision of the Waterloo Institute of Soccer Players is to enhance the opportunities for the youth by fostering their increased marketability in the area of football.

MISSION

Dedicated to providing a quality Soccer experience for the community by:

- *teaching the skills and fundamentals of the game*
- *encouraging teamwork, sportsmanship and respect*
- *maintaining a fun safe and positive environment*

EXECUTIVE BOARD

All the affairs of the Institute is managed by an Executive Board as follows:

- *President*
- *Vice President*
- *Secretary*
- *Treasurer*
- *Assistant Treasurer*
- *Two Permanent Directors*

Additionally four Vice Presidents are appointed by the Executive Board having responsibility for:

- *Equipment and Uniforms*
- *Fund Raising and Sponsorship*
- *Coaches, Training and Education*
- *Discipline*

MEMBERSHIP

To date the Institute has a registration of 235 players. Average attendance at training sessions is approximately one-half of the players.

COACHING SESSIONS

Sessions are held every Saturday morning at the Waterloo High School grounds. The area is fenced and provides a safe and serene environment conducive to learning.

COACHING STAFF

The Institute is fortunate to have at its disposal a team of highly professional and qualified individuals whose knowledge and experience in the game augurs well for the development of the young players. Many of them are past players themselves who have gone on to coaching professionally and are holders of 'D' License Certificates, and other relevant qualifications. The Institute can boast of a total of 15 coaches.

AFFILIATES

- *Carapichaima/Orange –Field Football Club(Cap-Off Youths F.C)*
- *St. Mary's United FC*
- *Brilliant Bargain FC*
- *Waterloo High School*
- *Central Football Association*
- *Persto Presto Youth Camp*
- *Tabaquite Institute of Soccer Players*

Apart from the above the Institute is also affiliated to the Waterloo Minor Soccer Club of Ontario, Canada.

STRUCTURE

Age Groups catered for are:

- *Under 6*
- *Under 10-12*
- *Under 13-15*
- *Under 19*
- *Girls*

WATERLOO INSTITUTE AND ITS FOUNDING MEMBERS

The Waterloo Institute of Soccer was founded in June 2003 by:

- *Mr. Stephen Bartholomew- Accountant/Football Referee/'D' License Coach, Assist. Secretary of the Central Football Association and General Council Member of the TFFF and a member of TFFF Youth Development Committee 2008-2009*
- *Mr. Krishna Samai – PE Teacher/Football Referee/FA Coach*
- *Michael Davis – Electrician/Football Coach/D License Coach*

These three community oriented gentlemen saw the need to provide something meaningful for the youth in the area and to date they are still committed to ensuring that the Institute functions at its best.

In June 2008 this organisation would have been in existence for five years. The SWOT Analysis shown below gives an indication of the successes achieved to date, how the Institute can be of benefit to our young people, where there is a need and what is necessary for it to continue on a steady growth path in the future.

STRENGTHS

Under 10-12 Team

*2007 CFA Under 10 Football Competition – 3rd Place
2007 Ato Boldon U-12 Anniversary Football – 2nd Place
2008 CFA Under 10 Football Competition- 3rd Place
2008 Ato Boldon U-10 Football Competition- 4th Place*

Under 13 Team

*2007 Trinidad & Tobago Cup – 3rd Place
2007 CFA Under 13 Football Competition – 1st Place
2008 CFA Under 12 Football Competition- 3rd Place
2008 Ato Boldon U-14 Football Competition- 1st Place*

Girls- Waterloo Starlets

*2007 Trinidad & Tobago Cup – 1st Place
2007 Caroni District – Ministry of Sports Football – 1st & 2nd Place respectively
2007 Republic Bank Cup – Winners of our Group (knock out in semi-final)
2008 Trinidad & Tobago Cup- 3rd Place
2008 Caroni District – Ministry of Sports Football- 1st Place
2008 Trinidad & Tobago Women Football Association Girls U-15- 1st Place
2008 Ministry of Sports – National Sports Festival Girls U-20- 2nd Place*

Played against the USC girls team and won convincingly

Overseas Participation

Played against two Barbados Sports Council Teams and won one game. The other game ended in a draw

To expose our players to a different culture a team of players participated in Waterloo International Soccer Tournament in Waterloo, Canada:

- **June 2004-** Under 13 boys team*
- **June 2008-** Under 15 girls, Under 14 boys and Under 10 boys teams*

The teams were fortunate to interact with players from Canada as well as the United States of America.

National Team 2008

Three of our girls were selected on the National Under 17 team qualifying for the 2008 FIFA Women Under 17 World Championships.

Five of our girls were selected on the National Under 15 women team for the 2008 CFU U-15 women Tournament

One Player (Ryan Frederick) was selected to the National Under 16 boys Football team

Group Accident Insurance

All our players and coaches are covered by a Group Accident Insurance.

I.D. Badges

All our players and officials are provided with proper identification badges

Website

The Institute maintains its own website- www.waterloo-tt.com

Training

Use of the Waterloo High School Grounds and classrooms for academic training

WEAKNESSES

- *Funding*
- *We have been in receipt of some much needed monetary assistance from Government Agencies, non-government and corporate sponsors during the past four years of our existence, however, to continue with the many programs that we have planned to take the Institute to a much higher level, apart from our own in-house fund raising activities, we need the help and support of several other institutions to achieve our goals and objectives.*
- *Being in the Central area of Waterloo – we are sometimes overlooked as a very high profile Association despite our many achievements in such a short space of time.*

OPPORTUNITIES

Apart from Football Training our players, coaches and sometimes even parents are exposed to different types of activities made available to the Institute. Among these are:

- *Continuous Training for Coaches*
- *Red Cross Training*
- *Scholarships for our talented players to attend Universities both locally and abroad*
- *Motivational Training*
- *Academic Training for our Players*

THREATS

- *Proper recognition as a highly successful Central Football Institute*
- *Lack of proper funding and sponsorships when the Institute makes these requests*

FUTURE OF ASSOCIATION

The Association is in good hands and we intend to move it from strength to strength. Among our main objectives for the year 2008 and continuing are:

- *Trip to Canada in June 2008 to participate in Waterloo Invitation Tournament **(accomplished)***
- *Fund Raising Activities to assist in overall day-to-day running of the Association*
- *Poverty Reduction Program (Sports Library)*
- *Red Cross Activities*
- *Occupation of office and storage space – Jerry Junction Stands (**in progress**)*
- *Mathematics and Soccer Program for players*
- *Equipment Sponsorship*
- *IT program for players **(accomplished)***
- *Establishment of a Sports Information Centre **(in progress)***

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